Audit Finance and Administration Committee: July 10, 2025

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR T. HWANG

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Ward 12 Community Grants (Ward 12

WHEREAS, Ward 12 receives non-property tax revenue arising from license agreements for a cellular tower and those funds are required to be spent within the ward;

WHEREAS, these funds are to be utilized at the discretion of the Ward 12 Councillor in a manner that conforms to the criteria outlined in Appendix "D" to Procedures for Ward Specific Funding Initiatives (FCS18014(a)) under the section entitled "Scenario 3: Grants" and ultimately require Council approval;

WHEREAS, in 2025 the Ward 12 Office implemented a grants process to allocate these funds with the first intake having closed on June 15, 2025;

WHEREAS, these funds are earmarked to build resilience and community in Ward 12, and allow financial support to non-profit organizations or charities who may otherwise lack these resources;

WHEREAS, providing a structured opportunity for organizations to apply to these funds and be scored in a manner that is rigorous and documented is important for ensuring equity in their distribution and maintaining trust and confidence in the fund distribution; and

WHEREAS, all successful applicants are required to provide reports on the fund use to the Ward 12 Office by the end of the calendar year and will be documented by the office on the Ward 12 website;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That a grant be provided to the Ancaster Little League for costs associated with capital improvements to the lighting system from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$5,000;
- (b) That a grant be provided to the 1st Ancaster Trex and 5th Ancaster Guides for costs associated with an expansion of their programming for youth from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$2,500;

- (c) That a grant be provided to Sinfonia Ancaster for costs associated with a Christmas concert pilot project for seniors and young families from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$4,855;
- (d) That a grant be provided to Rotary Club of Ancaster Morning for costs associated with a Back-to-School Backpack Program from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$5,000;
- (e) That a grant be provided to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church for costs associated with a project to honour Ancaster's Black history from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$5,000;
- (f) That a grant be provided to Ancaster Community Services for costs associated with a Holiday Assistance Program supporting residents of Ward 12 from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$5,000;
- (g) That a grant be provided to 1st Ancaster Sparks for costs associated with outdoor programming from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$1,000;
- (h) That a grant be provided to Ancaster Memorial Arts Centre for costs associated with accessibility upgrades from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$5,000;
- That a grant be provided to Ancaster Senior Achievement Centre for costs associated with musical performance equipment from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$5,000;
- (j) That a grant be provided to Ancaster Legacy Football Club for costs associated with their Girls-First Start program from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$5,000;
- (k) That a grant be provided to Steeltown Athletics Club (STAC) for costs associated with outdoor programming in Ward 12 from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$5,000;
- (I) That a grant be provided to Golden Horseshoe Cycling Hub (GHCH) for improvements to a memorial garden from the Ward 12 Non-Property Tax Revenue Account #3301609612 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$2,000;
- (m) That any funds allocated and distributed through the Ward 12 Community Grants Program be exempt on a one-time basis and not be counted toward any formula

that restricts regular funding from the City including the City Enrichment Fund (e.g. the City's 30% formula); and

(n) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.