

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Downtown Sub-Committee - July 24, 2025

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH

SECONDED BY S. BRAITHWAITE.....

Functionality and Monitoring of Security Cameras

WHEREAS, it has been publicly reported that security cameras, including those in the downtown core, have not been functional since 2021 and are not being monitored; and

WHEREAS, according to that public reporting, this was done partly in response to the City announcing its Digital Transformation and Smart City initiative in 2019.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That City staff report back through an Information Report to the Downtown Sub-Committee at its next meeting on the following:

- (a) Reasons security cameras in the downtown core that were no longer functional were not replaced in 2021 including:
 - (i) Whether or not there were other reasons for not replacing cameras apart from the City's Digital Transformation and Smart City initiative in 2019;
 - (ii) The number of security cameras that were active on or before 2021;
 - (iii) When security cameras were installed and why they all reached end of life in 2021; and
 - (iv) Who was responsible for monitoring the cameras, who owned them, and who controlled them.
- (b) Reasons monitoring of the security cameras in the downtown core stopped and when monitoring stopped (whether in 2021 or before).