

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

Downtown Sub-Committee: April 9, 2026

**MOVED BY E. WALSH.....**

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH.....**

### **Downtown Washroom – Community Impact Considerations**

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2026, a Notice of Motion was presented to the Public Works Committee respecting the potential installation of a new permanent public washroom facility at John Rebecca Park, located at 76 John Street North, Hamilton;

WHEREAS, a feasibility study for the proposed washroom at John Rebecca Park is currently underway, with findings expected in Q3 2026;

WHEREAS, the Downtown Sub-Committee has an ongoing mandate to identify issues related to the perception of cleanliness and security in the downtown core and recommend appropriate strategies; and

WHEREAS, the proposed location for the public washroom facility is within John Rebecca Park, adjacent to neighbouring properties that may be affected by its installation and operation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Staff report back to the Downtown Sub-Committee in early Q3 2026, prior to the commencement of design of the proposed permanent public washroom facility at John Rebecca Park, located at 76 John Street North, Hamilton, respecting
  - (i) A review of best practices from other municipalities regarding the design, operation, and management of public washroom facilities in urban areas;
  - (ii) An assessment of existing conditions and community context in and around John Rebecca Park;
  - (iii) An analysis of the potential impacts of the facility's installation and operation on neighbouring properties and John Rebecca Park; and

- (iv) Potential strategies and mitigation measures the City could implement to minimize negative impacts to the surrounding area.