

**CITY OF HAMILTON
MOTION**

Public Works Committee - April 13, 2026

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. KROETSCH.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR M. WILSON.....

Investment in a new Downtown Washroom (Ward 2)

WHEREAS, the addition of a new permanent accessible washroom in the downtown core would serve as a benefit to the community;

WHEREAS, Corporate Facilities and Energy Management Division, Public Works, is currently overseeing a feasibility study for the addition of a new permanent washroom at John and Rebecca Park, located at 76 John Street North, Hamilton, with the final study expected in Q3 2026;

WHEREAS, the feasibility study will determine the costs, opportunities and timelines for constructing and maintaining a new permanent washroom at John and Rebecca Park;

WHEREAS, there is an existing fully Development Charge (DC) funded PID 3542441104 titled Ferguson Station Washroom with \$250K approved to date for consulting (design) and \$1.3M forecast in 2027 for construction, to advance a new permanent washroom;

WHEREAS, after further consideration, the John and Rebecca Park is now the preferred downtown washroom location over the originally planned Ferguson Station site; and

WHEREAS, Corporate Facilities and Energy Management have consulted with Development Charge staff to confirm that the DC funds approved to date (and forecast for Council approval) can be transferred to the preferred John and Rebecca Ward 2 location for the new permanent washroom.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be authorized to proceed with a capital appropriation as follows:

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- (i) Closure of the Ferguson Station Washroom PID (3542441104), and transfer of the \$1.55M in DC funding (specifically \$250K approved to date, and the \$1.3M placeholder for 2027)
 - (ii) The funds shall be transferred to a new PID (3542641104) and titled Downtown Washroom, with the pending PID capital detail sheet highlighting the new preferred site at John and Rebecca Park located at 76 John Street North, Hamilton;
- (b) That Corporate Facilities and Energy Management staff complete the feasibility study for the new permanent washroom located at John and Rebecca Park and consider the costing findings to update PID 3542641104 capital detail sheet future construction funding forecast (if required) as part of the yearly capital budget process;
- (c) That the Ward 2 Councillor be provided the opportunity to offer feedback on the draft study before the final study is approved and published in Q3 2026; and
- (d) That the General Manager, Public Works Department be authorized to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.