



Golden Horseshoe Live Steamers

c/o Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology
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Ms. Tamara Bates
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RE: Upcoming motion at the Audit, Finance, and Administration Standing Committee, supporting a proposed grant for the Golden Horseshoe Live Steamer Educational Pavilion

The Golden Horseshoe Live Steamers (GHLS) is a not-for-profit organization, now in our 51st year of continuous operation.

GHLS builds and operates miniature ride-on trains for the public's education and enjoyment.

We're located on the grounds of, and work in close collaboration with, the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology in Ward 4.

Across the Summer season, we provide free miniature train rides for Hamiltonians -- our "clients," the visiting public, families including small children, grandparents, retirees, and railroad enthusiasts.

To broaden our appeal to our audience, we are currently developing an Education Centre. It will enable a year-round space with hands-on interactive exhibits for families, especially kids.

Using two existing shipping containers to form the outline of the Centre, our project plan calls for roofing over the containers and the space between them. This 14'X40' space between the containers will become our Education Centre and will be finished as described and depicted on the next page.

We estimate a total cost of \$ 35,000 to enclose, equip, and finish the space as a classroom and exhibit centre. We have funds to cover approximately half of this project, and Councillor Hwang's motion to provide a grant in the amount of \$ 15,000 would enable us to complete the project this year

Yours sincerely,

Denny Williams, GHLS Secretary

Cc: Joel Waterman, GHLS President

