

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Council Date: March 7, 2012

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR FARR.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR McHATTIE.....

7.3 Hamilton Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) Task Force to Explore Downtown Locations for HWDSB Headquarters

Whereas, effective Monday, February 27th, the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board Trustees voted in favour of forming a Task Force with the City, charged with exploring downtown locations, including a City Hall Tower Two site, as an alternative to Crestwood (Ward 7) for the HWDSB Board of Education Headquarters;

And Whereas, the timeframe for this Task Force to carry out its mandate is limited to 30 days and a concerted effort by all qualified parties will require a fast and efficient approach;

And Whereas, Councillor B. McHattie (Ward 1) and Councillor J. Farr (Ward 2) have agreed to divide equally, any costs associated with the Task Force’s objective with funds from the Ward 1 and Ward 2 Area Rating Reserve;

And Whereas, the expertise of staff from the appropriate departments is paramount, given the important tight timelines and the over-all objective of the Task Force.

Therefore, be it resolved:

- (a) That appropriate staff from various departments be identified and seconded, at the earliest convenience, to work with the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board Trustees and staff in an effort to find a suitable Downtown Hamilton location for the location for the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board Headquarters;
(b) That any costs associated with the objectives of the Task Force be funded equally from the Wards 1 and 2 Area Rating Reserve.