

CITY OF HAMILTON

CORPORATE SERVICES DEPARTMENT Financial Planning and Policy Division

TO: Chair and Members
Audit, Finance and Administration
Committee

COMMITTEE DATE: June 22, 2011

SUBJECT/REPORT NO:
Rotary Clubs' of Ancaster-Pledge Agreement Cessation (FCS11057) (Ward 12)

SUBMITTED BY:
Roberto Rossini
Finance & Corporate Services Department

SIGNATURE:

WARD(S) AFFECTED: WARD 12

PREPARED: WARD 12

RECOMMENDATION:

- (a) That the remaining commitment of \$168,000 of the total pledge of \$500,000 by the Rotary Club of Ancaster A.M. (Rotary A.M.) and Rotary Club of Ancaster P.M. (Rotary P.M.) towards the Construction of the Ancaster Community Centre-Phase II and confirmed through an Agreement between the former Town of Ancaster and the Rotary Clubs dated January 17, 2000, be re-directed towards other projects that benefit the Ancaster Community;
- (b) That the Community Centre Phase II Agreement between the Corporation of the City of Hamilton (originally with the Town of Ancaster) and the Rotary A.M. and the Rotary P.M dated January 17, 2000, be deemed fulfilled and completed;
- (c) That any financial impact resulting from the forgiveness of the pledge be funded from reserve 108030 Ancaster Reserve.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Ward 12 Councillor, on behalf of the Rotary A.M. and Rotary P.M. is seeking Council approval, for relief from the remaining commitment of \$168,000 of the original pledge of \$500,000 for the Construction of Ancaster Community Centre Phase II.

The Rotary Clubs are finding it more difficult to raise funds for a project that has been completed for more than 10 years. They would like to re-direct their fundraising efforts towards more current projects, e.g., a new splash pad.

The Rotary A.M. and Rotary P.M. initially contributed \$125,000 towards the Construction of the Ancaster Community Centre Phase II and then agreed to raise and contribute an additional \$375,000 for a total commitment of \$500,000 in return for the following considerations:

- Re-name Phase II of the Ancaster Community Centre, the "Rotary Centre".
 Phase II of the Community Centre signage should be altered appropriately on the exterior; and at the entrance from the atrium to reflect the name change.
- The Rotary logo will be inlaid in ceramic tile or other appropriate material, in the foyer of the Community Centre Phase II.
- The Town of Ancaster refers to Phase II as the "Rotary Centre" in all literature produced by the Town of Ancaster, provided that such literature relates to Phase II.
- Ancaster will permit the Rotary A.M. and Rotary P.M. with the use of the room shown, and delineated in red, on Schedule "A" to this Agreement, for their respective weekly meetings, free of charge. The scheduling of such weekly meetings shall be as agreed upon by Rotary A.M. and Rotary PM.
- That the room referred to be known as the "Rotary Room".
- That Ancaster will supply the following items in the Rotary Room, for the use of Rotary A.M. and Rotary P.M., during their respective weekly meetings:
 - (i) Tables and chairs, as required; and
 - (ii) The use of kitchen facilities.

SUBJECT: Rotary Clubs' of Ancaster-Pledge Agreement Cessation (FCS11057) (Ward 12) - Page 3 of 5

In order to comply with the Rotary Clubs' conditions, Ancaster Council approved an additional funding of \$21,700. The costs were as follows:

•	Upgrades to the Kitchen	\$11,500
•	Install Rotary logo in ceramic floor in foyer	\$4,000
•	Install Rotary sign and logo on outside of building	\$6,200
		\$21,700.00

Regarding the scheduling of the payments to the Town of Ancaster, the Agreement states the following:

"That should Rotary A.M. and Rotary P.M. contribute the aggregate sum of \$375,000 prior to the expiry of 15 years, commencing with the year 2000, their obligations under this Agreement shall have been fulfilled and completed."

Alternatives for Consideration – Not Applicable.

FINANCIAL / STAFFING / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS (for Recommendation(s) only)

Financial:

The donations received, over the last few years, were being deposited to the former Town of Ancaster Reserve -108030. Forgiving the Rotary Club commitments, will result in \$168,000 of potential projects that benefit the former Town of Ancaster not being completed.

Assuming the Agreement is deemed fulfilled and completed and the outstanding balance is funded from the Ancaster Reserve, this reserve will have an estimated balance of \$1,400,000.

Staffing:

Not Applicable.

Legal:

The Commitment by the Rotary Clubs is set to expire on the 31st day of December, 2014. There is no re-course included in the Agreement should the Rotary Clubs not meet their commitment in the allotted 15 years.

SUBJECT: Rotary Clubs' of Ancaster-Pledge Agreement Cessation (FCS11057) (Ward 12) - Page 4 of 5

In order to end the commitment earlier, the following or a similar recommendation needs to be approved:

"That the Community Centre Phase II Agreement between the Corporation of the Town of Ancaster and the Rotary Club of Ancaster A.M. and the Rotary Club of Ancaster P.M. dated January 17, 2000, be deemed fulfilled and completed."

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND (Chronology of events)

Not Applicable.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable.

RELEVANT CONSULTATION

- Ward 12 Councillor
- Legal Services Division, City Manager's Office

ANALYSIS / RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

(include Performance Measurement/Benchmarking Data, if applicable)

Not Applicable.

ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION:

(include Financial, Staffing, Legal and Policy Implications and pros and cons for each alternative)

Not Applicable.

SUBJECT: Rotary Clubs' of Ancaster-Pledge Agreement Cessation (FCS11057) (Ward 12) - Page 5 of 5

CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN (Linkage to Desired End Results)

Focus Areas: 1. Skilled, Innovative and Respectful Organization, 2. Financial Sustainability, 3. Intergovernmental Relationships, 4. Growing Our Economy, 5. Social Development, 6. Environmental Stewardship, 7. Healthy Community

Skilled, Innovative & Respectful Organization

A culture of excellence

Financial Sustainability

 Delivery of municipal services and management capital assets/liabilities in a sustainable, innovative and cost-effective manner

APPENDICES / SCHEDULES

Not Applicable.