



COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	May 22, 2024
SUBJECT:	Quarterly Update (January - March 2024) Loans/Grants Approved by the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development (Wards 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 13)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	Wards 1, 2, 3, 7, 8 and 13
SUBMITTED BY:	Steve Robichaud Acting General Manager Planning and Economic Development Department
SIGNATURE:	

The purpose of this Communication Update is to inform City Council of the details of those grants and loans which were approved by the General Manager, Planning and Economic Development, during the months of January – March 2024. These updates are provided on a quarterly basis.

On September 29, 2021, City Council enacted By-law 21-165, being a by-law to delegate authority to the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development (General Manager) to approve grants/loans to a maximum of \$200,000 per grant/loan under financial incentive programs provided under the Revitalizing Hamilton's Commercial Districts Community Improvement Plan (2021) and the *Ontario Heritage Act*. Programs subject to this delegated authority are:

- Barton/Kenilworth Planning and Building Fees Rebate Program;
- Barton/Kenilworth Revitalization Grant Program;
- Commercial District Housing Opportunities Program;
- Commercial District Revitalization Grant Program;
- Commercial Vacancy Assistance Program;

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- Gore Building Improvement Grant Program;
- Hamilton Heritage Conservation Grant Program; and,
- Hamilton Heritage Property Grant Program.

As of June 7, 2023, the General Manager was also provided delegated authority under By-law 23-108 to approve grants/loans to a maximum of \$200,000 under the following Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement Community Improvement Plan (2023) Programs respecting environmentally contaminated properties:

- Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement Affordable Housing Grant Program; and,
- Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement Commercial District Remediation Loan Program.

Commercial District Revitalization Grant Program

Six grant applications were approved under the Commercial District Revitalization Grant Program in the total amount of \$8,574.35.

The total estimated value of the proposed works under the Commercial District Revitalization Grant Program is \$13,548.70. Note that this total does not include the cost of graffiti removal as applicants are not required to provide it as part of their application. Therefore, the city's grant represents 50% of the total improvement costs. The properties that are being improved under the Program are located within the following Community Improvement Project Areas:

- Concession Street Community Improvement Project Area;
- Downtown Hamilton Commercial District Community Improvement Project Area;
- Barton Village Commercial District Community Improvement Project Area;
- Main Street West Commercial Corridor Community Improvement Project Area; and,
- Dundas Commercial District Community Improvement Project Area.

There was no applicant reported instances of hate related content in any of the five applications that dealt with the removal of graffiti.

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Hamilton Heritage Conservation Grant Program

Two grant applications were approved under the Hamilton Heritage Conservation Grant Program in the total amount of \$10,000.

The total estimated value of the proposed works under the Hamilton Heritage Conservation Grant Program is \$26,555. Therefore, the city's grant represents 37.66% of the total improvement costs. The properties that are being improved under the Program are designated under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* as follows:

- 1561 Kirkwall Road, Flamborough (By-law No. 98-126-H); and,
- 21 Stone Church Road West, Hamilton (By-law 17-119).

Hamilton Heritage Property Grant Program

One grant application was approved under the Hamilton Heritage Property Grant Program in the total amount of \$88,492.63.

The total estimated value of the proposed works under the Hamilton Heritage Property Grant Program is \$313,970.50. Therefore, the city's grant represents 28.19% of the total improvement costs. The property that is being improved under the Program is located within the Dundas Commercial District Community Improvement Project Area and is designated under Part V of the *Ontario Heritage Act* (By-law 3310-81).

If you require any further information on the above matter, please contact Carlo Gorni, Co-ordinator, Urban Renewal Incentives by e-mail at Carlo.Gorni@hamilton.ca or at (905) 546-2424 Ext. 2755. For inquiries respecting the Environmental Remediation and Site Enhancement Affordable Housing Grant Program specifically, please contact Phil Caldwell, Senior Project Manager – Urban Renewal by e-mail at Phil.Caldwell@hamilton.ca or at (905) 546-2424 Ext. 2359.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix "A" – Loans / Grants approved by General Manager (January – March 2024)

Loans and Grants Approved by General Manager (January - March, 2024)								
Commercial District Revitalization Grant Program								
FILE NO.	APPLICANT / BUSINESS	ADDRESS	PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS	TOTAL VALUE OF PROPOSED WORK	GRANT AMOUNT	DATE OF GM APPROVAL	WARD	Applicable CIPA
CDRG-G 02/24	Applicant/Owner: Taneja Properties Inc. (Debbie Brellisford) Business: Penny Pincher Costumes	529 Concession Street, Hamilton	Removal of one instance of graffiti	N/A	\$ 200.00	23-Jan-24	7	Concession Street Commercial District Community Improvement Project Area (Concession Street Business Improvement Area)
CDRGG 01/24	Applicant/Owner: 77 James Hamilton Inc.	77 James Street North, Hamilton	Removal of five instances of graffiti	n/a	\$ 1,000.00	08-Feb-24	2	Downtown Hamilton Commercial District Community Improvement Project Area
CDRG-G 03/24	Applicant/Owner: Office Mortgage Investments Inc. (Stephanie Waller)	25 Main Street West, Hamilton	Removal of one instance of graffiti	N/A	\$ 200.00	23-Feb-24	2	Downtown Hamilton Commercial District Community Improvement Project Area (Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Area)
CDRG-G 04/24	Owner: 1858212 Ontario Ltd. (Matt Christie) Applicant/Business: Maysy's Pearl Oyster Purveyors Inc. (David Burns)	342 Barton Street East, Hamilton	Removal of one instance of graffiti	N/A	\$ 200.00	23-Feb-24	3	Barton Village Commercial District Community Improvement Project Area (Barton Village Business Improvement Area)

MF 01/24	Applicant/Tenant: 1000714097 Ontario Ltd. (Saad Housny) Owner: 7995881 Canada Inc. (Azmina Moosa) Business: Hot Takes (restaurant)	807 Main Street West, Hamilton	Refurbishment of existing signage for new business.	\$ 13,548.70	\$ 6,774.35	22-Mar-24	1	Main Street West Commercial Corridor Community Improvement Project Area
FILE NO.	APPLICANT / BUSINESS	ADDRESS	PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS	TOTAL VALUE OF PROPOSED WORK	GRANT AMOUNT	DATE OF GM APPROVAL	WARD	Applicable CIPA
CDRG-G 10/24	Applicant/Owner: Michael and Paula Oosthoek Business: Studio 205	205 King Street East, Hamilton	Removal of one instance of graffiti	N/A	\$200.00	26-Mar-24	2	Downtown Hamilton Commercial District Community Improvement Project Area (International Village Business Improvement Area)
Total				\$13,548.70	\$8,574.35			
Hamilton Heritage Conservation Grant Program								
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HCGP 23/06	Applicant: Sarah Piatt and Chris Atchison	1561 Kirkwall Road, Flamborough	Replace existing front door with exact match; repair/replace of any damaged wood within sidelights and transom; and scrape and paint as required around door.	\$ 10,170.00	\$ 5,000.00	16-Jan-24	13	N/A
HCGP 24/01	Applicant: Barton Stone-Mount Hope United Church in trust for the United Church of Canada	21 Stone Church Road West, Hamilton	Refurbishment of 2 bay windows (of 8 in total)-6 windows done using 2021, 2022, 2023 applications.	\$ 16,385.00	\$ 5,000.00	16-Feb-24	8	N/A
Total				\$26,555.00	\$ 10,000.00			

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HPGP 03/23	Applicant: 2717469 Ontario Inc. (Erwin Gerl)	207-209 King Street West, Dundas	Interior walls-Stone rubble foundation walls and mortar joints at interior walls to be routed and repointed as required; •Supply and installation of multi-level scaffold system or scissor lift to carry out repairs; •Mortar joints to be rerouted and repointed on all four elevations as required; •All failed brick to be removed and replaced to match existing; and	\$313,970.50	\$ 88,492.63	26-Feb-24	13	Dundas Commercial District Community Improvement Project Area
Total				<u>\$313,970.50</u>	<u>\$88,492.63</u>			