




COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	March 12, 2021
SUBJECT:	Quarterly Update (October - December 2020) Loans/Grants Approved by the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development (Wards 2, 3 and 4)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	Wards 2, 3 and 4
SUBMITTED BY:	Jason Thorne General Manager Planning and Economic Development Department
SIGNATURE:	

City Council, at its meeting held January 27, 2010, authorized the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department to approve loans and grants to a maximum of \$200 K under the Business Improvement Area Commercial Property Improvement Grant Program, the Commercial Corridor Housing Loan and Grant Program and the Hamilton Heritage Property Grant Program. Staff was directed to report back on a quarterly basis on details of the loans / grants that the General Manager approves. By-law 10-052, enacted by City Council at its meeting held March 10, 2010, delegates the aforementioned authority.

City Council, at its meeting held November 16, 2011, enacted By-law 11-274, that amends By-law 10-052, authorizing the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department to also approve loans and grants under the Gore Building Improvement Grant Program and the Commercial Façade Property Improvement Grant Program.

City Council at its meeting held April 9, 2014, enacted By-law 14-085, that amends By-law 10-052, authorizing the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department to also approve grants under the Hamilton Heritage Conservation Grant Program.

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City Council at its meeting held May 11, 2016, enacted By-law 16-127, that amends By-law 10-052, authorizing the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department to also approve grants under the Barton / Kenilworth Commercial Corridor Building Improvement Grant Program.

City Council at its meeting held July 14, 2017, enacted By-law 17-142, that amends By-law 10-052, authorizing the General Manager of the Planning and Economic Development Department to also approve grants under the Barton / Kenilworth Planning and Building Fee Rebate Program.

During the months of October – December 2020, the General Manager approved the following:

- Four grant applications under the Business Improvement Area Commercial Property Improvement Grant Program in the total amount of \$52,209.40;
- One grant application under the Commercial Property Improvement Grant Program in the total amount of \$9,946.43
- One grant application under the Hamilton Heritage Conservation Grant Program in the amount of \$2,034.00;
- One grant application under the Barton Kenilworth Commercial Corridor Building Improvement Grant Program in the amount of \$45,979.70; and
- One application under the Commercial Corridor Housing Loan and Grant Program consisting of a loan in the amount of \$40,000 and a grant in the amount of \$5,000.

The total estimated value of the proposed work under the Business Improvement Area Commercial Property Improvement Grant Program is \$223,661.24. Therefore, the City's grant represents 23.34% of the total improvement costs. The properties that are being improved under the Program are located within the Barton Village and Downtown Hamilton Business Improvement Areas.

The total estimated value of the proposed work under the Commercial Property Improvement Grant Program is \$36,825.57. Therefore, the City's grant represents 27.01% of the total improvement costs. The property that is being improved under the Program is located within the James Street North Commercial Corridor.

The total estimated value of the proposed work under the Hamilton Heritage Conservation Grant Program is \$4,068. Therefore, the City's grant represents 50% of the total restoration costs.

The property that is being restored is designated under the *Ontario Heritage Act* and is located within Ward 3.

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The total estimated value of the proposed work under the Barton Kenilworth Commercial Corridor Building Improvement Grant Program is \$90,106.20. Therefore, the City's grant represents 51.03% of the total improvement costs. The property that is being improved under the Program is located within the Barton Street East Commercial Corridor.

The total estimated value of the proposed work under the Commercial Corridor Housing Loan and Grant Program is \$285,900. Therefore, the total of the City's loan and grant represents 15.74% of the total improvement costs. The property that is being improved under the Program is located within the Downtown Hamilton Community Improvement Project Area.

Please refer to Appendix "A", attached to this Information Update, for a more detailed description of each property and the proposed improvements.

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.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix "A" – Loans / Grants approved by General Manager (October - December 2020)

Loans and Grants Approved by General Manager (October - December, 2020)								
FILE NO.	APPLICANT / BUSINESS	ADDRESS	PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS	TOTAL VALUE OF PROPOSED WORK	GRANT AMOUNT	DATE OF GM APPROVAL	WARD	BIA/CIPA
Business Improvement Area Commercial Property Improvement Grant Program								
BAR 02/20	Applicant/Owner: 625 Barton Street Limited Partnership (Valeri Khromov) Business: Vacant	623-625 Barton Street East, Hamilton	Clean and paint front façade of building; Repair decorative features on to of front façade	\$ 6,497.50	\$3,248.75	October 6 2020	3	Barton Village BIA
DT 05/20	Applicant/Owner: BDT Holdings Inc. (Brian O'Neill) Business: Lordly Jones Limited	51 John Street South, Hamilton	Clean, repair and paint north facing wall; clean and repair west facing wall; and paint stucco on west facing wall.	\$ 7,921.30	\$3,960.65	October 28 2020	2	Downtown Hamilton BIA
DT 03/20	Applicant/Owner: Core Urban Prime Inc. (Stephen Kulakowsky, Richard Rumpf, Maureen Worrone-Savue)	53-59 King Street East, Hamilton	Remove existing façade and replace with new stone	\$ 151,047.44	\$20,000.00	October 28 2020	2	Downtown Hamilton BIA
DT 04/20	Applicant/Owner: 2238394 Ontario Ltd. (Maciek Walicht)	31 John Street North, Hamilton	Installation of new windows and doors on ground floor of property	\$ 58,195.00	\$25,000.00	November 3 2020	2	Downtown Hamilton BIA
Total				\$ 223,661.24	\$52,209.40			
Commercial Property Improvement Grant Program								
FILE NO.	APPLICANT / BUSINESS	ADDRESS	PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS	TOTAL VALUE OF PROPOSED WORK	GRANT AMOUNT	DATE OF GM APPROVAL	WARD	BIA/CIPA
MF 08/20	Applicant/Owner: 1388051 Ontario Ltd. Business: 1919764 Ontario Inc. o/a James Street Cannabis Co.	574 James Street North, Unit 7	New signage; New AODA compliant washroom; and Cost of Engineering Drawings	\$ 36,825.57	\$ 9,946.43	December 7 2020	2	James Street North Commercial Corridor
Total				\$36,825.57	\$9,946.43			

Hamilton Heritage Conservation Grant Program								
FILE NO.	APPLICANT / BUSINESS	ADDRESS	PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS	TOTAL VALUE OF PROPOSED WORK	GRANT AMOUNT	DATE OF GM APPROVAL	WARD	BIA/CIPA
HCGP 20/04	Steve Wiegand and Mathilde Danet	216 St. Clair Blvd., Hamilton	Grind out and repoint mortar on home	\$ 4,068.00	\$ 2,034.00	October 20 2020	3	N/A
Total				<u>\$4,068.00</u>	<u>\$2,034.00</u>			
Barton Kenilworth Commercial Corridor Building Improvement Grant Program								
FILE NO.	APPLICANT / BUSINESS	ADDRESS	PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS	TOTAL VALUE OF PROPOSED WORK	GRANT AMOUNT	DATE OF GM APPROVAL	WARD	BIA/CIPA
BKCCBIGP 05/20	Applicant/Owner:Cuc Pham Business: Pebbles Laundromat	1535 Barton Street East	Excavate and remove soil; Shore up existing building; backfill and compact soil	\$90,106.20	\$45,979.70	October 6 2020	4	Barton Street East Commercial Corridor
Total				<u>\$90,106.20</u>	<u>\$45,979.70</u>			
Commercial Corridor Housing Loan and Grant Program								
FILE NO.	APPLICANT / BUSINESS	ADDRESS	PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS	TOTAL VALUE OF PROPOSED WORK	LOAN AMOUNT/GRANT AMOUNT	DATE OF GM APPROVAL	WARD	BIA/CIPA
CCFIN 5/18	Lena Zahabi	144 Wellington Street North	Redevelopment to convert a single family residence to a building containing one ground floor commercial unit and two residential units on the upper storeys	\$ 285,900.00	\$40,000/\$5,000	December 7 2020	3	Downtown Hamilton CIPA
Total				<u>\$285,900.00</u>	Loan=\$40,000	Grant=\$5,000		