

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Council: March 27, 2024

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR N. NANN.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Prefabricated, Leased Washroom Pilot at Woodlands Park (Ward 3)

WHEREAS, a fire significantly damaged the washroom structure at Woodlands Park, 501 Barton Street East, January 2nd, requiring the site to be secured immediately;

WHEREAS, structural assessment is anticipated to help inform decision-making regarding whether repair or replacement requires access to the inside of the remaining structure and with a target report date of May 2024;

WHEREAS, staff have already identified that both permanent repair and replacement options are estimated currently to require up to 3 to 4 years to fully implement, due to lead time required for legislative requirements such as development applications, permits, engineered designs and competitively tendered construction, as well as the subsequent time required to complete construction;

WHEREAS, there are plans for robust public engagement in order to determine future site layouts and facility at Woodlands Park in the long term, however short-term solutions are required in the interim period;

WHEREAS, staff have been looking for accessible park washroom solutions such as leasing prefabricated units in order to help reduce manage lead-time down to approximately 6 months and cost required to construct permanent park washroom facilities;

WHEREAS, staff are reaching out to other municipalities in order to choose design options which maximize washroom uptime and minimize downtime; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the City's Insurance policies, along with internal insurance for deductible amounts internally (from Risk Management Division) will provide coverage for the fees of the following costs:

- Site safety
- Due diligence
- Structural engineering fees with recommendation
- Design fees (for repair or replace option)
- Internal fees and permits
- Lease (trial/pilot) of an accessible prefabricated washroom
- Utility connections for the leased washrooms
- Additional construction costs relating to either design or construction.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Public Works staff be authorized and directed to complete the structural assessment of the Woodlands Park Building and report back to the Public Works Committee regarding structural findings on the Washroom at Woodlands park, any options the City has for the long term repair or replacement, budget required and funding strategy;
- (b) That Public Works staff be authorized and directed to start an interim trial/pilot program to test out semi-permanent, prefabricated, leased washroom structure(s) at Woodlands Park, with a target implementation schedule of approximately 6 months, while the permanent washroom repair or replacement is being planned and executed;
- (c) The General Manager of Public Works be authorized and directed to negotiate and enter an agreement with a vendor, Niu Toilet, for the lease and/or purchase of a prefabricated semi-permanent washroom through a Single Source procurement in accordance with Policy 11 at a cumulative vendor cost to the City to be negotiated at less than \$350,000 in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, along with any ancillary agreements;
- (d) That staff be directed to report back to Public Works Committee with interim results of the trial/pilot program to help inform future decision-making about semi-permanent, prefabricated, leased washroom structures; and,
- (e) That the General Manager, Public Works Department be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.