

NOTICE OF MOTION — City of Mississauga

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WHEREAS the weather events on July 16, 2024 and August 17, 2024 delivered 106 mm and 170 mm of rain, respectively, in parts of Mississauga over a very short time period and resulted in thousands of flooded properties, and likely more than a billion dollars in property damage;

AND WHEREAS extreme weather events are anticipated to occur with greater frequency and intensity for the foreseeable future;

AND WHEREAS some property owners who are no longer able to obtain reasonably affordable—or any—flood-related property insurance due to previous claims or geographic location face significant financial risk in protecting or replacing their property as a result of extreme weather;

AND WHEREAS private property owners can be encouraged through financial incentives to install flood prevention infrastructure and water-resistant building materials to mitigate the impacts of flood-related disasters;

AND WHEREAS, due to previous and persistent incidents of basement flooding, the City of Mississauga has established a Foundation Drain Collector Sump Pump Subsidy for residential properties serviced by a Foundation Drain Collector sewer (primarily in the Lisgar and Churchill Meadows communities), where homeowners can be reimbursed 100% of the invoiced cost up to a maximum of \$6,000 for eligible installations;

AND WHEREAS neighbouring municipalities have established flood relief grant and rebate programs to assist residential property owners with costs related to restoration following basement flooding;

AND WHEREAS many flood-impacted residents are facing immediate and dire financial hardship as a result of the damages incurred;

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT a one-time Flood Relief Grant of \$1,000 be established by the City of Mississauga to residential property owners in Mississauga who incurred at least \$2,000 in damages as a result of flooding inside their home following the weather events on July 16, 2024 and/or August 17, 2024;

AND FURTHER THAT this Flood Relief Grant be available to process applications within a few weeks, preferably by November 1, 2024;

AND FURTHER THAT recommendations forthcoming in a staff report for a financial assistance program and a basement flooding subsidy program consider including the following:

- a Flood Prevention Rebate valued at 50% of the invoiced cost up to a maximum of \$3,000 to cover only costs associated with measures undertaken by the property owner to prevent or minimize flooding (such as the capping of foundation drain connection, weeping tile disconnection, property regrading, foundation repair, installation of water-resistant building materials and flood prevention devices not otherwise specified through other subsidy or rebate programs);

- the expansion (and re-naming) of the Foundation Drain Collector Sump Pump Subsidy to include all residential properties in Mississauga, and include expenses related to operations and maintenance of the equipment;
- the waiving of permit fees for installation of a sump pump or backwater valve;
- eligibility renewal for same or similar rebates and programs after 10 years, to account for life cycle replacement of equipment;

AND FURTHER THAT any rebates or grants be put into effect retroactively to July 16, 2024 and all eligibility requirements, restrictions, terms and conditions be determined by the Chief Administrative Officer or his designate, in consultation with Legal Services.

AND FURTHER THAT the City of Mississauga seek reimbursement for expenses related to these programs and rebates through disaster relief funding available from the provincial and federal governments.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. McFadden". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "J" and a stylized "McFadden".