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SENT VIA EMAIL

Hamilton Health Sciences
Attn: Rob MacIsaac
King West, PO Box 2000
Hamilton, Ontario
L8N 3Z5

Dear Mr. MacIsaac:

Re: Commitment to the Local Share of Financing for a New West Lincoln Memorial Hospital

At its meeting of May 19, 2020, the Town of Grimsby Council passed the following resolution:

*Moved by Councillor Freake; Seconded by Councillor Ritchie;
Resolved that Report CAO20-05 dated May 19, 2020 be received;
And that the motion included as Appendix 'A' regarding the Town of Grimsby's
commitment to the local share of financing for a new West Lincoln Memorial
Hospital (WLMH) be approved.*

A copy of Appendix 'A' has been enclosed.

Regards,

Sarah Kim
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Cc. Township of West Lincoln

Appendix 'A'

WHEREAS Hamilton Health Sciences (HHS) has a critical and urgent need to rebuild West Lincoln Memorial Hospital (WLMH) in order to continue providing safe, high-quality hospital services for all residents of West Niagara;

AND WHEREAS Hamilton Health Sciences received approval from the Ontario government on December 19, 2019, to proceed to Stage 2 of the government's capital planning process for a new hospital in order to rebuild WLMH;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario's cost share policy for hospital capital projects provides a provincial investment of 90% of the capital construction costs, conditional upon commitment from local fundraising partners to contribute both a 10% local share of financing for the capital construction cost, plus a 100% share of financing for the cost of all furniture, fixtures and equipment (FF&E) and any required parking infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS approval from the Ontario government to proceed with Stage 3 planning for the rebuilding of WLMH requires the timely submission by HHS of a financial plan in Stage 2 outlining the contributors to the local share of financing for the new hospital;

AND WHEREAS HHS is engaged in a dialogue with three west Niagara municipalities, Niagara Region and the WLMH Foundation to determine how the local area municipalities may assist with fulfilling the needed commitment to the local share of financing, and provide a commitment by June 1, 2020, in order to satisfy the Province of Ontario's requirements to proceed with the next stage of planning for a new West Lincoln Memorial Hospital;

AND WHEREAS the respective Chief Administrative Officers from Lincoln, West Lincoln and Grimsby, together with the Regional Chief Administrative Officer have had preliminary conversations on past practices of the Region in supporting hospital redevelopment projects;

AND WHEREAS Councils' of the contributing municipal governments would like staff to further investigate, determine and finalize the financing model to fund, together with the WLMH foundation an estimated, collective \$60,000,000 contribution to the total required local share of financing towards the rebuilding of West Lincoln Memorial Hospital, with a commitment to provide the required funds to HHS upon substantial completion of

construction of the new hospital:

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- a) That the three local Municipalities, made up of the Towns of Lincoln and Grimsby and the Township of West Lincoln, together with the WLMH Foundation, hereby commit to providing an estimated contribution of \$60,000,000 to the capital project costs to be raised by the community for the rebuilding of West Lincoln Memorial Hospital; AND
- b) That staff from the Towns of Grimsby and Lincoln and the Township of West Lincoln, in conjunction with the WLMH foundation, continue to have formal conversations with the Regional Municipality of Niagara to determine next steps and options for considerations pertaining to funding support from the Region; AND
- c) That the Town of Grimsby CAO, report back to Council, by or before December 1, 2020 with further details on the individual municipal contribution; AND
- d) That the Town of Grimsby in conjunction with the WLMH Foundation, continue to work with Hamilton Health Sciences on the next phase, Stage 3 and subsequent stages expeditiously to ensure the completion of the WLMH redevelopment.