MOTION

Committee Date: March 25, 2013

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR JACKSON...............................................................

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.................................................................

Re: The East Mountain Baseball Association (EMBA) – Field Rental Rates

WHEREAS the East Mountain Baseball Association (EMBA) has a long history of providing organized instruction baseball at the Mohawk Sports Park on diamonds numbered two and three;

WHEREAS diamonds two and three at the Mohawk Sports Park were originally constructed to be the permanent home for the EMBA;

WHEREAS the EMBA has contributed a total of approximately $40,000.00 for capital upgrades to diamonds two and three at the Mohawk Sports Complex;

WHEREAS the reclassification of those diamonds from Class C fields to Class B fields has created an economic hardship for the EMBA;

WHEREAS the long term viability of the EMBA is dependant upon the ability of the association to afford field rental rates;

THEREFORE be it resolved:

(a) That the East Mountain Baseball Association EMBA be charged the Council approved Class C field rental for diamonds two and three at the Mohawk Sports Park;

(b) That the rental rate charged to the EMBA as outlined in subsection (a) may be changed in the future subject to Council’s discretion;

(c) That staff be directed to provide options for updating the City of Hamilton’s existing fee waiver policy to further clarify fee waiver policies and related authorities;

(d) That staff provide a report back to the Emergency and Community Services Committee by the fall of 2013 with respect to subsection (c).