SUBJECT: Appointment of Animal Control Officers for the City of Hamilton (PED06117) (City Wide)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the By-law attached to Report PED06117 to amend City of Hamilton By-law No. 01-084 to Appoint Animal Control Officers for the City of Hamilton be approved.

Lee Ann Coveyduck
General Manager
Planning and Economic Development Department

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides information respecting the appointment of Animal Control Officers for the City of Hamilton and to amend By-law No. 01-084 appointing Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for the City of Hamilton to reflect staffing changes.

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to the Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, Chapter 25 municipalities may appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers by By-law to enforce the By-laws of the Municipality. In this case, the By-law is being amended to appoint Animal Control Officers. The proposed amendments to By-law No. 01-084 are implemented to reflect staffing changes.
Staff recommends that the City of Hamilton amend Appointment By-law No. 01-084 and appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for the purpose of enforcing Animal Control By-laws.

**ANALYSIS/RATIONALE:**

Municipal Law Enforcement Officers must be appointed by By-law in order to obtain the authority to provide enforcement of Municipal By-laws, respond to complaints and undertake prosecution where necessary.

**ALTERNATIVES FOR CONSIDERATION:**

N/A

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

There are no staffing implications associated with this recommendation. This activity is absorbed by staff as an extended function of their existing duties.

**POLICIES AFFECTING PROPOSAL:**

N/A

**RELEVANT CONSULTATION:**

N/A

**CITY STRATEGIC COMMITMENT:**

By evaluating the “Triple Bottom Line”, (community, environment, economic implications) we can make choices that create value across all three bottom lines, moving us closer to our vision for a sustainable community, and Provincial interests.

Community Well-Being is enhanced. ☑ Yes ☐ No

The appointment of Municipal Law Enforcement Officers / Animal Control Officers ensures that the By-laws of the City of Hamilton will be enforced to ensure that members of the community are able to maintain their quality of life and experience the peace and enjoyment of their property.

Environmental Well-Being is enhanced. ☑ Yes ☐ No

The appointment Municipal Law Enforcement Officers / Animal Control Officers ensures that the By-laws of the City of Hamilton will be enforced to ensure the regulating, care and control of animals throughout the City.

Economic Well-Being is enhanced. ☐ Yes ☑ No

Does the option you are recommending create value across all three bottom lines? ☑ Yes ☐ No
Do the options you are recommending make Hamilton a City of choice for high performance public servants? □ Yes  ☒ No

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Attach. (1)
CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 06-____

To Amend City of Hamilton By-law No. 01-084
Being a By-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for the City of Hamilton

WHEREAS Section 15 of the Police Services Act R.S.O. 1990, c.P.15 authorized the council of any municipality to appoint one of more Municipal Law Enforcement Officers, who shall be peace officers for the purposes of enforcing the by-laws of the municipality.

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Act 2001 S.O. 2001, c.25. Section 5(3) authorizes the council of any municipality to appoint certain officers and employees as may be necessary for the purposes of the corporation, or for carrying into effect or enforcing any Act or By-law of the Council.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. That Schedule “A” to By-law No. 01-084, be amended by adding the following as a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer for the City of Hamilton:

   Eric Taylor

2. That Schedule “A” to By-law No. 01-084, be amended by deleting the following as Municipal Law Enforcement Officer for the City of Hamilton:

   Robert Crowley

3. Subject to the amendments made in this By-law, in all other respects, By-law No. 01-084 is hereby confirmed unchanged.
ENACTMENT

4. This By-law shall come into force and effect on the date of its passing and enactment.

ENACTED and PASSED this day of , 2006

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Mayor                                      Clerk