MOTION

Committee Date: October 22, 2008

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR B. McHATTIE..............................................................

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

Real Options of Support (ROOFS) Program

WHEREAS the mission of CityHousing Hamilton is to provide affordable housing that is safe, well maintained, cost effective and that supports the diverse needs of our many communities; and,

WHEREAS the diverse needs of CityHousing Hamilton tenants include both financial and increasingly challenging and complex social and health issues; and,

WHEREAS, CityHousing Hamilton’s Real Options of Support (ROOFS) Program has had success in intervening and supporting tenants with respect to these issues, which benefits the individual tenant as well as the housing community; and,

WHEREAS, the current capacity of the ROOFS Program is limited and is challenged to meet the ongoing and growing needs in the CityHousing Hamilton community at 181 Jackson St. W. and 95 Hess St. S.;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff be directed to work with community stakeholders and tenants to develop a strategy that would effectively increase and sustain the ROOFS Program, as a viable mechanism for supporting vulnerable CityHousing Hamilton tenants and stabilizing the CityHousing Hamilton community at 181 Jackson St. W. and 95 Hess St. S., Hamilton, Ontario.