

# Ward 2 Community Meeting

Friday Art Crawls on James Street North



Monday, April 28  
5:30pm to 7:30pm  
Hamilton Artists Inc.  
155 James Street North

CAMERON  
KROETSCH  
City Councillor

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# Agenda for the Ward 2 Town Hall

- Land acknowledgement
- Community Meeting Code of Conduct
- Introductions
- Art Crawl Basics
- Continuing Small Group Discussions
- Updates on City Services
- Feedback and Next Steps

# Land Acknowledgement

- Huron-Wendat, Neutral, Erie, Mississaugas, Haudenosaunee, Anishinaabe
- Haldimand Tract
- Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt



# Community Meeting Code of Conduct

- Questions at end of each section and at **the end**
- Raise your hand - we'll keep a speakers list
- Kindness and generosity first - no yelling, name calling, or rudeness - we'll adjourn the meeting
- Interrupt if you need clarity or help

# Introductions to the Ward 2 Team

- **Councillor Cameron Kroetsch**
- **Constituency Coordinators -**
  - **Liesl Thomas**
  - **Joey McCullough**
  - **Phoenix Friesen**



# Art Crawl Basics

- Second Friday of each month
- City closes James Street North from May to August
- Hundreds of vendors and small businesses
- Positive and negative impacts on
  - Vendors
  - Small businesses
  - Residents

# Continuing Small Group Discussions

- The City will not be taking over Art Crawl
- Vendors and businesses wanted to create a committee with issues with the goals of
  - Generating guidelines for Art Crawl vendors and James Street North businesses
  - Identifying volunteers to help enforce guidelines
  - Assessing what resources may be needed to do this work

# Continuing Small Group Discussions

- What are the top 5 things you'd like to see happen to make Friday Art Crawls better (apart from City services)?
- Are you interested in joining the Volunteer Committee and can we share your email addresses so you can all continue to be in touch with one another after today?

# Continuing Small Group Discussions

## Summary of April 7 Small Group Discussions -

- We circulated notes after the April 7 meeting summarizing the discussions that took place and the ideas that were generated at that time (attendance was not high, so hopefully we can generate more ideas tonight)
- Copies of the notes will be available for all groups to review as part of their discussions

# Updates on City Services

- Parking metres were being bagged very early in the day, which limited the ability for customers to park along James Street North
- City staff have confirmed they will bag them much later, at 1:00pm, so they're done being bagged by 2:00pm - this will start at the May Art Crawl

# Updates on City Services

- An accessible portable washroom will be set up at Robert Street and James Street North, with a sign placed on the street to indicate where the washroom is located
  - Washrooms are also available for all at Hamilton Artists Inc. at 155 James Street North (at Cannon Street West and James Street North)

# Updates on City Services

- **Outstanding** - Access to drinking water
  - Drinking water is available at Hamilton Artists Inc. at 155 James Street North (Cannon Street and James Street North)
  - The City is looking into providing temporary drinking water at future Art Crawls (not in time for May)

# Updates on City Services

- **Outstanding** - Access from the street, mid block, to businesses
  - The current staff assigned to help with this cannot feasible take this on - it's better suited to the Volunteer Committee to take on this initiative if they wish

# Updates on City Services

- **Outstanding** - Additional temporary garbage cans
  - City staff are meeting with their colleagues in the Waste Division to see what's possible with existing infrastructure or if we'll need to make a purchase
  - I'll circulate more information about this when I know more

# Feedback and Next Steps

- Each group reports back about their discussion
- Ward 2 office staff will keep rough notes and distribute them soon for the Volunteer Committee to use going forward
- Volunteer Committee will continue to meet as it sees fit (we can likely support with room booking, food, and drinks)