Minute Item No. 5.1 PHD 4-2020 Approval of 2020 Public Health Program Audits

That Report PHD 4-2020, dated July 14, 2020, respecting Approval of 2020 Public Health Program Audits, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

- 1. That the draft audited schedule of revenue and expenses and the annual reconciliation return for the Public Health General Programs for the year ended December 31, 2019 (Appendix 1 and 2 of Report PHD 4-2020), **BE APPROVED**;
- 2. That the draft audited schedule of revenue and expenses for the Infant & Child Development Services ("ICDS") program for the year ended March 31, 2020, (Appendix 3 of Report PHD 4-2020) **BE APPROVED**;
- 3. That the draft audited schedule of revenue and expenses and questionnaire for the Healthy Babies, Healthy Children ("HBHC") program for the year ended March 31, 2020, (Appendix 4 and 5 of Report PHD 4-2020) **BE APPROVED**;
- 4. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to co-ordinate with the auditor to finalize the statements as presented; and
- 5. That Report PHD 04-2020 **BE FORWARDED** to the Region's Audit Committee for information.

Minute Item No. 5.2 PHD 6-2020 Basic Income for Income Security

That Report PHD 6-2020, dated July 14, 2020, respecting Basic Income for Income Security, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

- That Regional Council **ACKNOWLEDGE** the inequitable impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on Niagara residents, including the disproportionate burden of both illness and economic harm borne by those of lower income or in poverty;
- 2. That Regional Council **CALL UPON** the federal and provincial government to prioritize measures to reduce poverty and income inequality in our society as one of the changes that should be initiated by this pandemic;
- 3. That Regional Council **RECOMMEND** that the federal and provincial governments engage in pilot projects to study policy innovations that can address poverty and income inequality, including the study of a basic income guarantee project in Niagara region;
- 4. That Regional Council particularly **RECOMMEND** that the federal government carefully study the Canadian Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) for its impact on health and poverty of recipients as lessons that could be applied to a basic income guarantee pilot, or as a platform for instituting a basic income guarantee; and

5. That Regional Council **DIRECT** the Regional Chair to communicate these calls and recommendations to the federal and provincial governments.

Minute Item No. 6.1 COM-C 20-2020 COVID-19 Response and Business Continuity in Community Services

That Correspondence Item COM-C 20-2020, being a memorandum from A. Jugley, Commissioner, Community Services, dated July 14, 2020, respecting COVID-19 Response and Business Continuity in Community Services, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Minute Item No. 6.2 PHD-C 5-2020 COVID-19 Response and Business Continuity in Public Health & Emergency Services

That Correspondence Item PHD-C 5-2020, being a memorandum from Dr. M. M. Hirji, Acting Medical Officer of Health/Commissioner, Public Health, dated July 14, 2020, respecting COVID-19 Response and Business Continuity in Public Health & Emergency Services, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Minute Item No. 6.3 PHD 5-2020 COVID-19 Impact on Niagara Emergency Medical Services

That Report PHD 5-2020, dated July 14, 2020, respecting COVID-19 Impact on Niagara Emergency Medical Services, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Minute Item No. 6 Consent Items for Information

That the following items **BE DEALT WITH** as follows:

PHD-C 4-2020, respecting Further Details on Order to Wear Masks in Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph, **BE RECEIVED** for information;

COM 15-2020, respecting Affordable Housing Strategy Update, **BE RECEIVED** and **BE CIRCULATED** to the Local Area Municipalities; and

COM-C 21-2020, respecting letter of support for Basic Income for Income Security, **BE RECEIVED** for information.