

## **COMMUNICATION UPDATE**

ТО:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	July 27, 2021
SUBJECT:	Drinking Water Fountains - New Web Page Launch (ES21005) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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This Communication Update is to inform the Mayor and Members of Council of a new web page that has launched in order to assist residents with locating outdoor drinking water fountains.

Drinking water fountains provide residents with access to clean drinking water while using outdoor City of Hamilton (City) amenities. There are currently 98 outdoor drinking water fountains across the City, 40 of which are equipped with a water bottle filler.

Fountains are operational from May through October and Parks operations staff maintain the fountains throughout the operational season including ensuring COVID-19 protocols, such as information signage and once per day cleaning, are adhered to.

Fountains have condition assessments completed annually and are replaced where required and as budgets allow. Replacement fountains are a standard model which includes a traditional drinking fountain, water bottle filler and dog water bowl.

In order to better serve the community, a web page has been developed including an interactive map to illustrate the location, type and status of the drinking water fountains.

The web page is accessible using the link below:

https://www.hamilton.ca/parks-recreation/parks-trails-and-beaches/water-drinking-fountains

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Questions or updates to the map can be directed to Katie Mayne, Project Manager, Parks and Cemeteries Section at <a href="mailto:Katie.Mayne@hamilton.ca">Katie.Mayne@hamilton.ca</a>.

If you require more information please contact Kara Bunn, Manager of Parks & Cemeteries at extension 4334.

## APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Not Applicable.