

The Participatory Budgeting Office is pleased to announce the results of the past weekend's vote on the 2013 Ward 2 Participatory Budget.

## The Compromise has won. 1024 ballots were cast.

Following are the vote tallies:

Project	Votes	Budget
<b>Funded</b>		
Three Community Gardens	799	\$18,000
Thirty-Five Public Benches	752	\$50,000
Grant for Hamilton Victory Gardens	748	\$3,500
Grant for Food4Kids	748	\$40,000
Safe Rail Trail Access at Victoria Ave S	715	\$100,000
Beautification of James St S	695	\$10,000
Upgrades to the Beasley Skateboard Park	691	\$80,000
Beasley Community Centre Kitchen Renovation	690	\$22,600
Grants for 3 Neighbourhood Outreach Workers	683	\$39,000
Pilot Project for a Network of "Urban Trail" Alleys	678	\$230,000
Crosswalk at Hunter St W & MacNab St S	677	\$125,000
Outdoor Community Oven	663	\$15,000
Grant for a Multicultural Festival	663	\$20,000
Ten Solar-Powered Trash Compactors	652	\$44,000
Pilot Project for a Chinese Garden	651	\$10,000
Grant for a Herbal Labyrinth in Shamrock Park North	642	\$2,000
Grant for Adopt-a-Park (Fund for Flowers)	639	\$9,000
No Smoking Signs in Parks	637	\$2,000
Ten Poster Kiosks (Message Boards)	632	\$20,000
Reserve to Support the NGen Youth Centre	613	\$50,000
Reserve for a Multicultural Community Centre	589	\$112,000
<b>Not funded</b>		
Six Bike Parking Stations	270	\$20,000
Complete Cannon St W	226	\$130,000
Playground Equipment in Bishop Park	222	\$40,000
Crosswalk at Cannon St E & Mary St	179	\$125,000
Grant for Beasley Alleyway Murals	172	\$26,000
Crosswalk at Hunter St W & Park St S	149	\$125,000
Crosswalk at Charlton Ave E & Wentworth St S	149	\$125,000
Expansion of Central Memorial Rec. Centre	103	\$191,000
Grant for Mobile App Training Program for Youth	97	\$3,500

Following are the petition tallies:

<b>Petition</b>	<b>Votes</b>
1. There are tens of thousands of residents in the downtown but few pedestrian-only areas. The City of Hamilton should create new pedestrian-only areas.	<b>467</b>
2. Participatory Budgeting Ward 2 (PBW2) requires ongoing support. The City of Hamilton should pay the next facilitator of PBW2 a living wage at part-time for seven months and at full-time for five months over the term of October 2013 to October 2014. The next facilitator will be elected in September 2013.	<b>361</b>
3. Contamination of drinking water due to improper disposal of pharmaceuticals is hazardous to human health. The City of Hamilton should promote proper disposal of pharmaceuticals.	<b>491</b>
4. Communication between residents and staff is complicated by limited communication among staff in different divisions and departments. The City of Hamilton should develop a citizen-centred communication strategy.	<b>399</b>
5. There are many small-businesses in the downtown but awareness of them is limited. The City of Hamilton, through its Economic Development Department, should develop an interactive business directory.	<b>421</b>
6. The garden on the corner of the Park St S and Hunter St W sides of the Central Elementary School are exposed to fast-moving traffic. The City of Hamilton should lobby the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board to install a fence around the garden.	<b>325</b>

Detailed information on specific polls will be released as soon as possible.

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