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**Subject:** Motion 24 – G – 223 Emergency deputation

Madam Clerk,

A spokesperson for the Barrie Arts Alliance is prepared to speak in favour of the Waterfront Performing Arts Centre, as an emergency deputation at Council on Wednesday, October 23, 2024, to read our attached letter to Council, as needed.

Chuck Ruttan, Administrator,  
Barrie Arts Alliance

# Barrie Arts Alliance

*Proudly representing 22 Arts organizations in Barrie*

October 18, 2024

His Worship Alex Nuttall  
Mayor,  
City of Barrie  
70 Collier Street,  
Barrie, ON  
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Dear Mayor Nuttall,

Re: Waterfront Performing Arts Centre – Moving Forward with Expedience

The Barrie Arts Alliance (BAA) thanks you and all of Council for adopting the Motion October 9, 2024 to proceed with Hariri Pontarini Architects (HPA) to complete a schematic design for a new Performing Arts Centre at the Barrie Waterfront. This facility will well serve the arts and culture community of Barrie and area. Many members of the 22 BAA organizations, listed below were present to hear the positive remarks from many Councillors in support of this major arts and culture decision.

We were pleased to see the thoughtful detail of the Motion and its clarity of intent to build a waterfront performing arts facility with two performance spaces, required site due diligence, and a dedicated Capital Projects Manager.

We look forward to working with City Council and staff and HPA to produce a well conceived schematic design and implementation plan for General Committee's consideration.

Please let us know how best we can work together to get this important job done.

Yours truly,

Chuck Ruttan, Administrator,  
Barrie Arts Alliance

c.c. Members of Barrie City Council

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**2024 Barrie Arts Alliance Members include:** Barrie Concert Association • Barrie Concert Band • Barrie County Chordsmen • Barrie Film Festival • Barrie Opera Society • Barrie Soundwaves • Baytowne Big Band • Bravado Show Choir • Burro'd Theatre • Central Ontario Music Council • Huronia Symphony Orchestra • Kempenfelt Community Players • King Edward Choir • Lyrica Chamber Choir • Maclaren Art Centre • Moving Art Centre for Performing Arts • Ontario Musicians Cooperative Inc. • Simcoe Contemporary Dancers • Skyliners Big Band • Skyliners Youth Big Band • Talk Is Free Theatre • Theatre by the Bay