



City of Hamilton

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE ADDENDUM

Meeting #: 19-006
Date: April 29, 2019
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Council Chambers, Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Alicia Davenport, Legislative Coordinator (905) 546-2424 ext. 2729

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8.3 Proposed Permanent Closure and Sale of a Portion of Public Unassumed Alley Abutting 21 Colbourne Street, Hamilton (PW19032) (Ward 2)

8.3.a Registered Speakers:

8.3.a.a Cameron Kroetsch

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Form: Request to Speak to Committee of Council

Submitted on Thursday, April 18, 2019 - 10:21 am

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Public Works

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Brenda Duke

Name of Organization: Beautiful Alleys

Contact Number: [REDACTED]

Email Address: hamiltonalleys@gmail.com

Mailing Address:

[REDACTED]

Reason(s) for delegation request: To speak to the subject of permanent alley closures on 255-261 Wellington Street North and 21 Colbourne

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes



Beautiful Alleys

What we do.....

- Our mission is to create safe, clean accessible public spaces for people of all ages and abilities
- Our mandate is to build capacity in like minded residents to take stewardship of their alleys and laneways
- We do that through safety training, education and support

What have we done.....

- People have been cleaning alleys for decades. Beautiful Alleys brought those people together in 2015 and engaged residents across the city.

Totals 2016

Volunteers – 750

Orange Bags – 804

Recycling – 386

Brown Bags - 450

Totals 2017

Volunteers – 325

Orange Bags – 373

Recycling – 159

Brown Bags - 300

What did we keep doing....

- In 2017, we partnered with Canadian National Rail. During two cleanups, CN staff worked alongside community to gather almost 12 tonnes of debris along the track.



And what else.....

- A partnership with Friendly Streets and Hamilton Health Sciences resulted in a pilot project to create an alternative pathway to the Hospital Zone. That initiative saw about 15 people out to help.



What do we plan next....

- Canadian Pacific Railway has joined Beautiful Alleys to partner with the community on cleanups along the CP tracks. The next cleanup is scheduled for June 2019



Beautification.....

- The first ever “official” alley makeover was done in partnership with Green Venture and enhanced the stretch from Westinghouse to Milton with plants, benches, lighting and artwork



- The following year we did an alley makeover from Sanford to Westinghouse. Lois Lane has a mural on the back of the Trocadero Restaurant that speaks to our history, plantings and artwork to attract local residents



And coming up....

- We have an alley makeover planned for Birch to Fullerton and also from Fullerton to Milton. This will complete a network of safe access for pedestrians and cyclists that bypasses the Barton Street commercial corridor

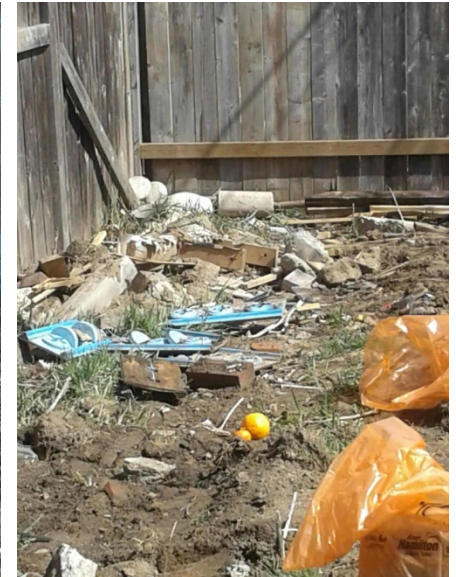
And how have we done this.....

- With community who believe in the same vision as Beautiful Alleys
- Community that comes together to build relationships and neighbourhoods



Do we make a difference...

- This is how it might look when we start



This is what we do....



And this is how we make it beautiful.....



Artist: Jacqueline Levitt June 2016



Artist: Juliana Lachance June 2016



Artist: Lisa Mansfield June 2016

And so we continue.....

- Beautiful Alleys believes in the benefit of community engagement.
- Each alley is unique to the neighbourhood and the residents living there.
- Who better to know and understand the needs of their spaces than the people who live there

Help us build community.....

- Building neighbourhoods builds community
- Community builds a city
- We need to know and understand how things work and how we can work together



We are asking you to look at the potential that alleys offer to build our neighbourhoods
And, we are asking you to consider the community voice in your decisions

Added Item 6.4

Form: Request to Speak to Committee of Council

Submitted on Friday, April 26, 2019 – 10:46 am

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Public Works

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Karl Andrus

Name of Organization:

Contact Number: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Mailing Address: [REDACTED]

Reason(s) for delegation request: Speak to the Proposed Permanent Closure and Sale of a Portion of Public Unassumed Alley(s)

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes

Added Item 6.5

Form: Request to Speak to Committee of Council

Submitted on Thursday, April 25, 2019 – 10:51 am

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Public Works

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Beatrice Ekoko

Name of Organization: Environment Hamilton

Contact Number: (905) 549-0900

Email Address: bekoko@environmenthamilton.org

Mailing Address: 22 Wilson St., Suite 4

Reason(s) for delegation request: Proposed Permanent Closure and Sale of a Portion of Public Unassumed Alley Abutting 21 Colbourne Street, Hamilton (PW19032) (Ward 2)

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? No

Form: Request to Speak to Committee of Council

Submitted on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 - 12:16 pm

==Committee Requested==

Committee: Public Works

==Requestor Information==

Name of Individual: Cameron Kroetsch

Name of Organization:

Contact Number: [REDACTED]

Email Address: [REDACTED]

Mailing Address:
[REDACTED]

Reason(s) for delegation request: To speak to the Public Works Committee at their Monday, April 29, 2019 meeting about the proposed permanent closure of alleys on Wellington and Colbourne in Ward 2.

Will you be requesting funds from the City? No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation? Yes

Alleyways: Strategies for the retention of our public land

Public Works Committee

April 29, 2019

Cameron Kroetsch

What brings me here today

- Notice that was posted through the City's website on **April 10, 2019** for the sale of 2 parcels of public land (alleyways) at:
 - 255-261 Wellington Street North
 - 21 Colbourne Street

What brings me here today

- This comment from the staff report with respect to the sale of public land adjacent to Colbourne:
 - “There were 2 objections received from **land owners** who do not directly abut the Subject Lands and **are not negatively affected** by this application. Staff are in support of the closure and sale to the owners of 21 Colbourne St, Hamilton.”

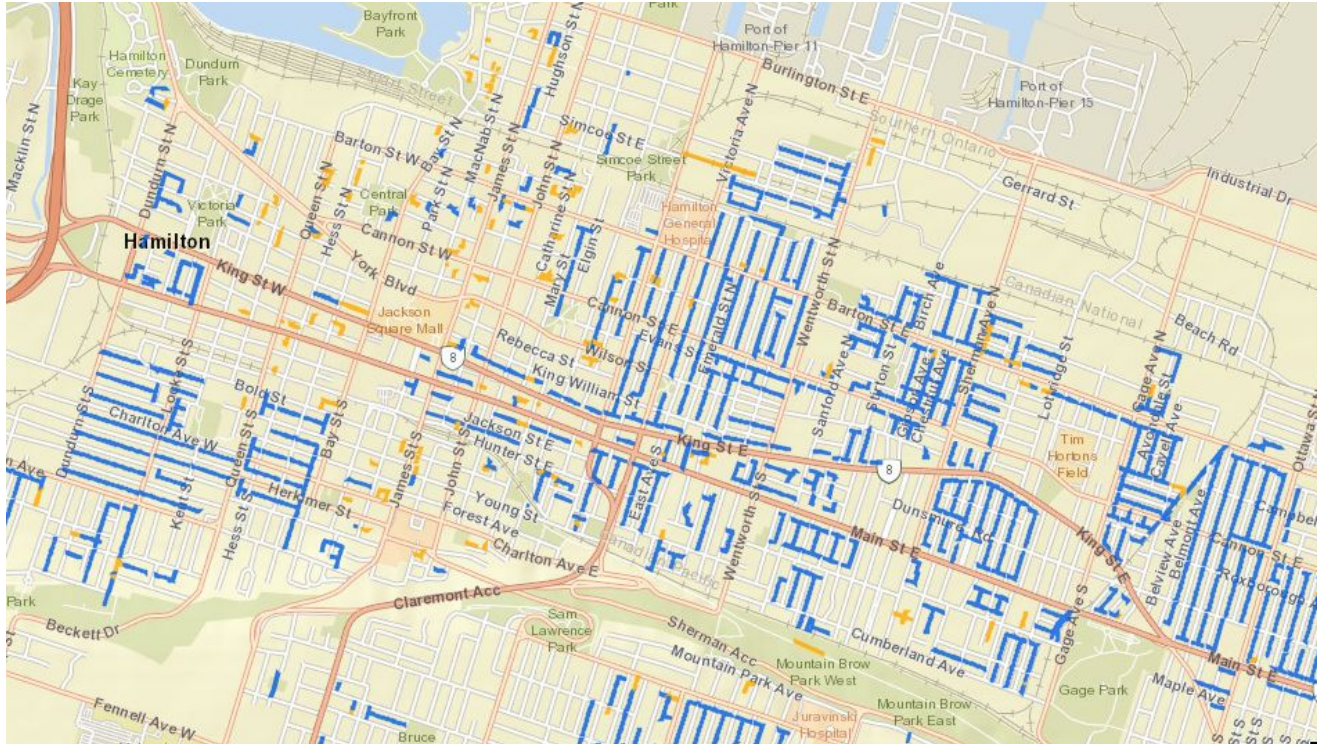
What brings me here today

- The information contained in the following reports:
 - PW07033 (a) - 2011
 - PW07033 (b) - 2011
 - 2013 Budget - Public Works
 - PW17008 - 2017
 - PW19032 - 2019
 - PW19033 - 2019

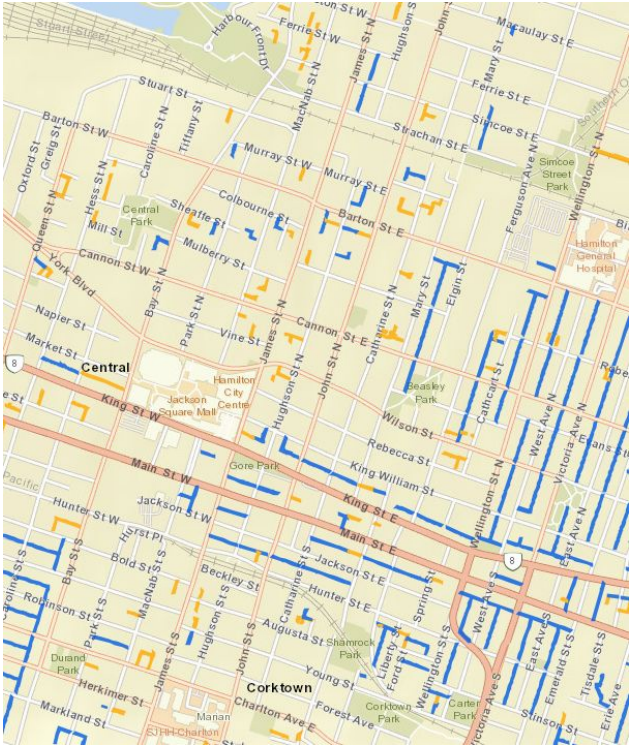
What is public land?

- Public land, broadly defined, is land that the public has unrestrained access to. Some of this land is owned by the City of Hamilton, some by other public entities.
- Alleyways, especially the vast majority defined as “unassumed”, fall under this broad definition of public land.

Alleyways in Wards 1-3

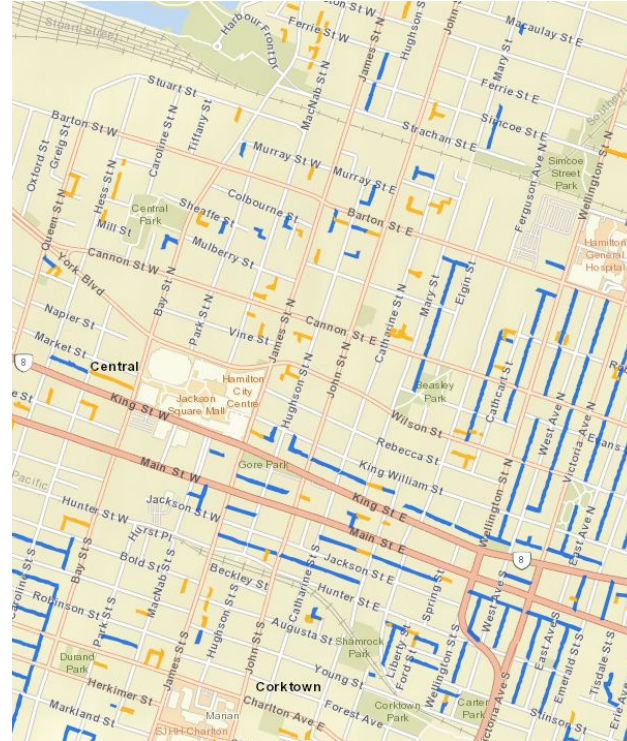


Alleyways in Ward 2



Network Fragility in Ward 2

- As the map clearly demonstrates, there aren't many alleyways left in Ward 2
- We must protect the alleyways we have, and preserve them as public land



Who Uses Alleyways?

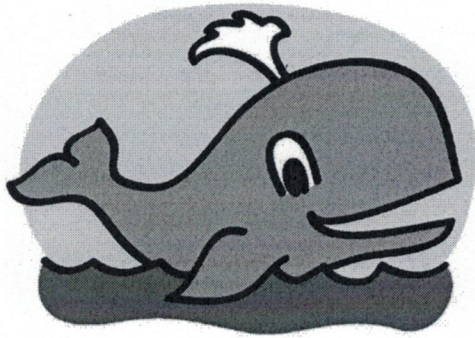
- Not just “land owners” - the staff report seems to privilege this category of respondents and seems to privilege those individuals who “abut the alleyway”
- Public land is for the public and many pedestrians, cyclists, and others, use alleyways to get around
- Those “negatively affected” include a broad cross-section of residents and citizens

Engagement

- When we think about who is affected by alleyway closures and who needs to be able to comment:
 - The City needs to provide more time for comments (April 10-29 isn't enough); reports must be timely
 - We need notices to be sent out to a wider group, in more formats, than just those "land owners" who abut alleyways

What I'm Asking For

- Prioritize the timely completion of the Alleyway Management Strategy (in talks since at least 2008 and on the books since 2011 with less than 25% complete)
- Go beyond the “minimum required by law” and ensure that notice periods for the sale of all public land are lengthy, in accessible formats, wide spread, and deliberate
- Prioritize the preservation of all public land, including our alleyways



10 Easy Ways to Use Less Plastic

1. **Do not litter** Each year, an estimated 18 billion pounds of plastic waste enters the ocean, contaminating our waters and killing marine life. Hold onto your trash until you find a garbage receptacle.
2. **Ditch the straws** Plastic straws are unnecessary and make up about 4% of the plastic waste that hits the waters every year. If you need to use straws, metal and glass reusable ones are readily available.

3. Pass up plastic bottles

A million plastic bottles are bought around the world every minute and about 90% of the bottles end up in our landfills or at the bottom of the ocean. Invest in a refillable metal or glass water bottle. They are far better for the environment and for your health.

4. Bring your own coffee mug

Coffee cups are mostly non-recyclable due to their inner plastic lining and plastic lids. Bring your own coffee mug! Choose a mug that is both functional and stylish to make the transition easy and enjoyable.

5. Use reusable shopping bags

Like plastic bottles, plastic bags almost always end up in our landfills and in the ocean, leaching dangerous chemicals and taking hundreds of years to break down. Bring your own reusable shopping bags to the store. Keep them in your car for easier access!

6. Avoid plastic packaging

About 40% of all plastic produced is used in packaging, and much of that is used only once and then discarded. Bar soaps, boxed detergents, and buying in bulk are great ways to reduce plastic consumption. While you are at it, give up plastic plates, cups, and other single-use utensils.

7. Seek out natural fibres for clothing

40% of the microfibres in our discarded clothing enter the ocean, destroying marine life and poisoning the food chain. Seek out natural fibres for clothing and bedding. Materials like organic cotton and industrial hemp are great options for long-lasting, high quality wear.

8. Check your skincare products

Microplastics and microbeads contained in your cleansing products are too small to be removed by the sewage filtration systems. Check product labels to see if the products are certified microplastic free. Avoid ingredients like 'polypropylene' or 'polyethylene', indications of the use of plastic beads.

9. Rethink plastic storage in your kitchen

Store your food in glass containers and beautiful mason jars in the kitchen and stainless steel lunch containers for food on the go. These options are much healthier for you and for the environment.

10. Recycle your electronics

As technology grows at a quicker pace than ever before, more and more electronics end up in our landfills and in the ocean. Locate a community recycling centre or visit recyclemyelectronics.com for a convenient drop-off location near you.

Added Item 8.1

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION IN CANADA HAMILTON BRANCH



What Ten Actions Will Council Take to Reduce Plastic Waste in Hamilton before 2021?

Dear Members of Public Works Committee,

In October of 2009, Dr. David Adams, a guest of the Gandhi Peace Festival and the implementor of the United Nations Manifesto 2000 for Peace for the Youth and Children of the World spoke to this Public Works Committee. He challenged the committee then, as he did in cities around the world to understand that developing a culture of peace was in the hands of cities, communities and the small organizations of civil society. Here is a quote from his 2008 book,

"The next collapse of the state system will give us the opportunity to establish a culture of peace through a global system of democratic local authorities. To prepare for this, we need a very specific strategy. The time is short, and the tasks are urgent."

1. *Strengthen cities, towns and the surrounding countryside as the basic institutional unit for a culture of peace.*
2. *Give priority in social movements and non-governmental organizations to work together for a culture of peace within the framework of local governments, recognizing that each aspect of a culture of peace, including women's equality, economic justice, ecological sustainability, human rights, democracy and free flow of information, cannot be attained separately within the culture of war, but that they can only be attained together within a framework based on democratic governance."*

The Outcome of the UNA Canada Hamilton Branch Peace Luncheon on April 25

On April 25th Lynda Lukasik, Executive Director of Environment Hamilton spoke to the United Nations Peace Luncheon, sharing data about the global impact of plastic waste and drawing attention to local plastic waste issues facing us here in Hamilton. It was the overwhelming position of the many groups represented that I bring a strong message to Public Works this morning challenging you to have staff look carefully at what other Canadian Cities are going to reduce, reuse and recycle plastic and to look beyond to parts of Europe where actions were taken decades ago to force manufacturers and retailers to take responsibility for packaging and recycling.

On the back of this page we identify 10 things that we as citizens can do and the organizations and faith communities present at the Peace Luncheon will work between now and 2021 to do our part.

Our Question for your consideration and action is:

"What Immediate Steps can the City Council Take to Reduce the Impact of Plastic on the Health of our citizens and on the Environment of our City?"

Respectfully,

Gail Rappolt and Anne Pearson

United Nations Association in Canada, Hamilton Branch

For the many organizations and faith groups present at the Peace Luncheon

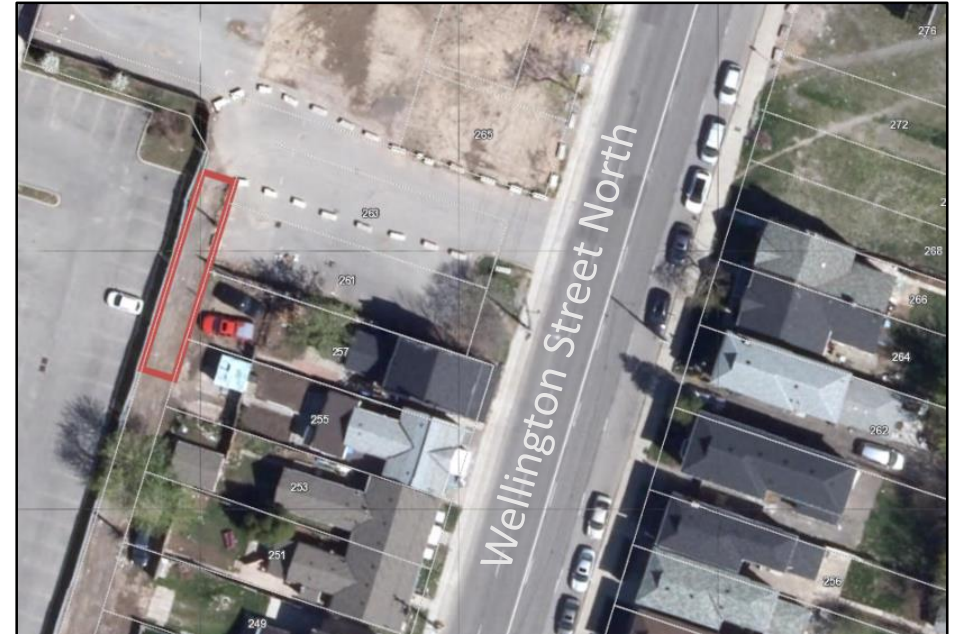


Proposed Permanent Closure and Sale of a Portion of the Public Unassumed Alley Abutting 255-261 Wellington Street North, Hamilton

Applicant: 467052 Ontario Ltd.

UrbanSolutions Planning & Land Development Consultants Inc.
c/o Sergio Manchia, MCIP, RPP & Amber Lindsay, MES

SUBJECT ALLEYWAY



April 29th, 2019

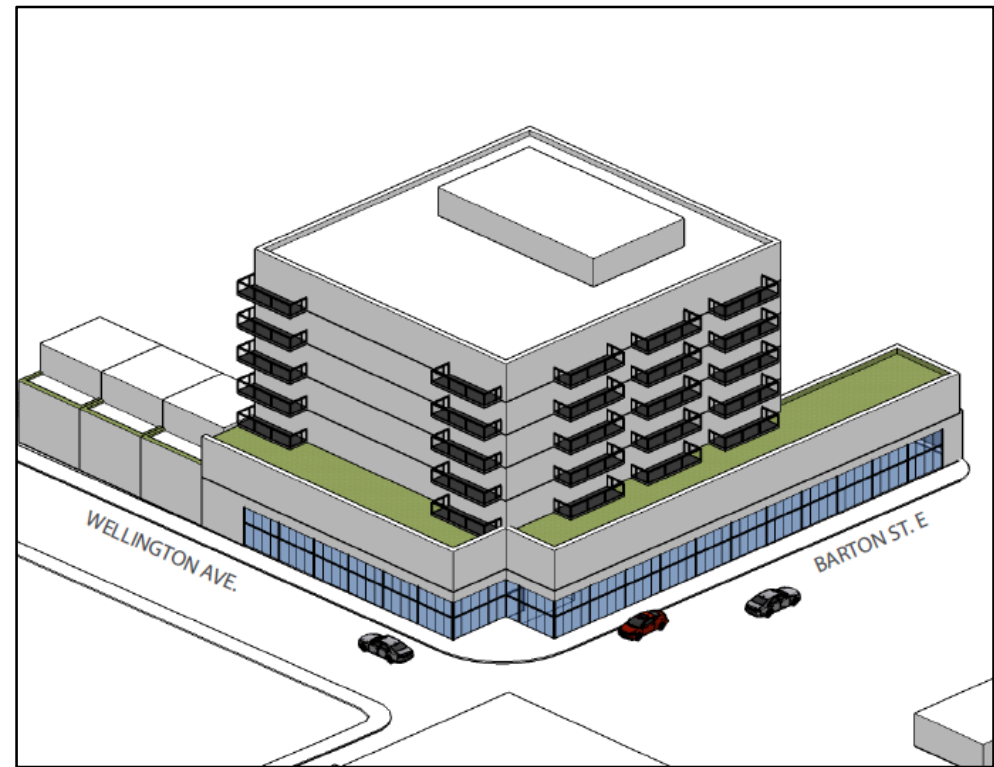
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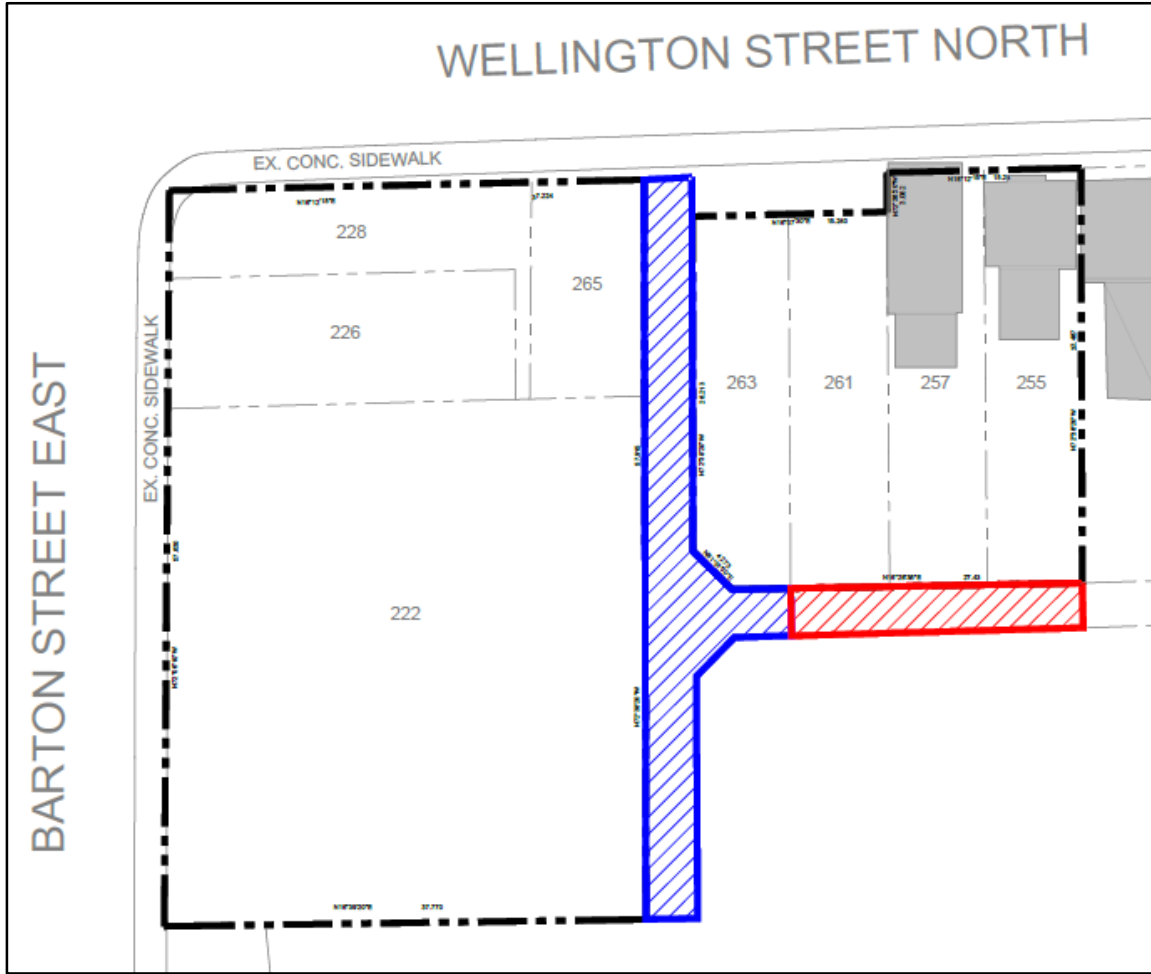
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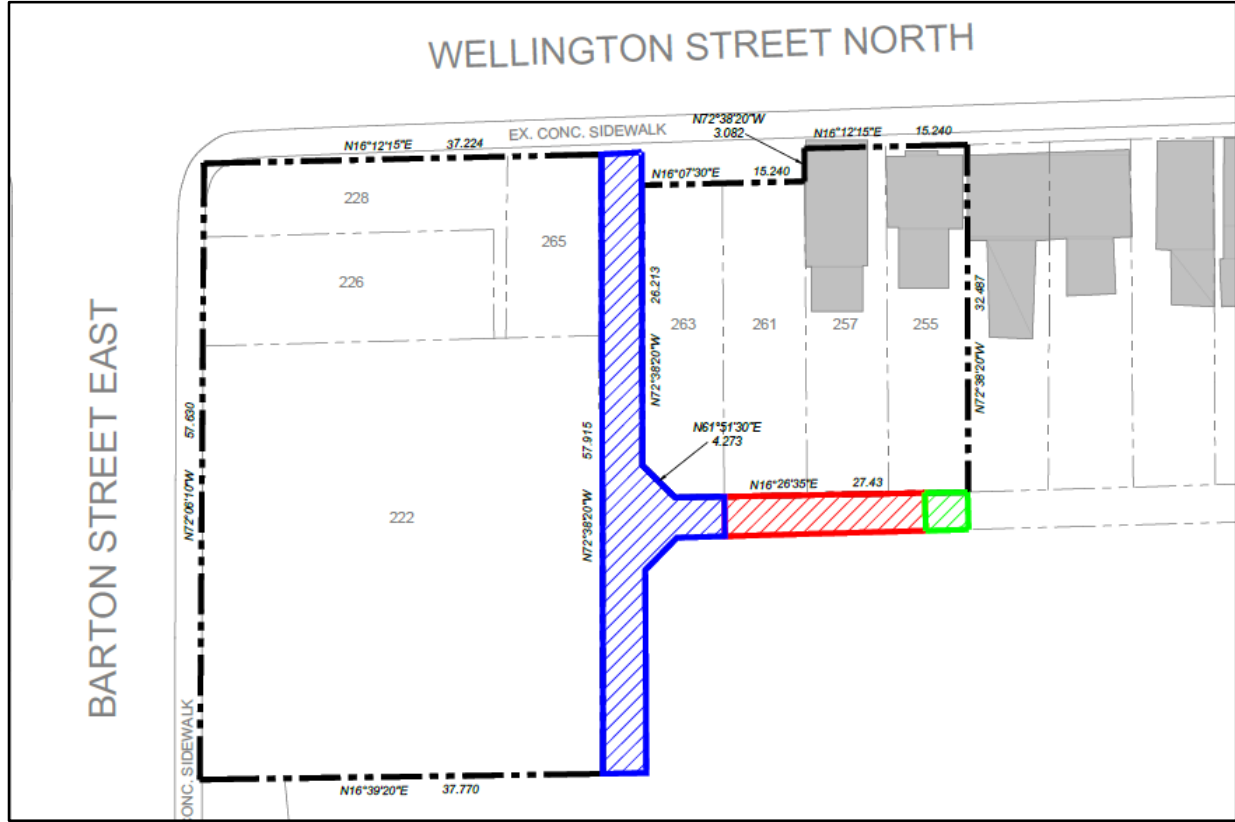
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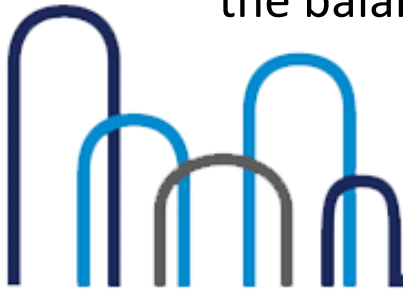
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-  EXISTING BUILDINGS



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 - APPROVED ALLEY CLOSURE (PW16053)
 - PROPOSED ALLEY CLOSURE
 - PROPOSED CAR MANEUVERING AREA
 - EXISTING BUILDINGS

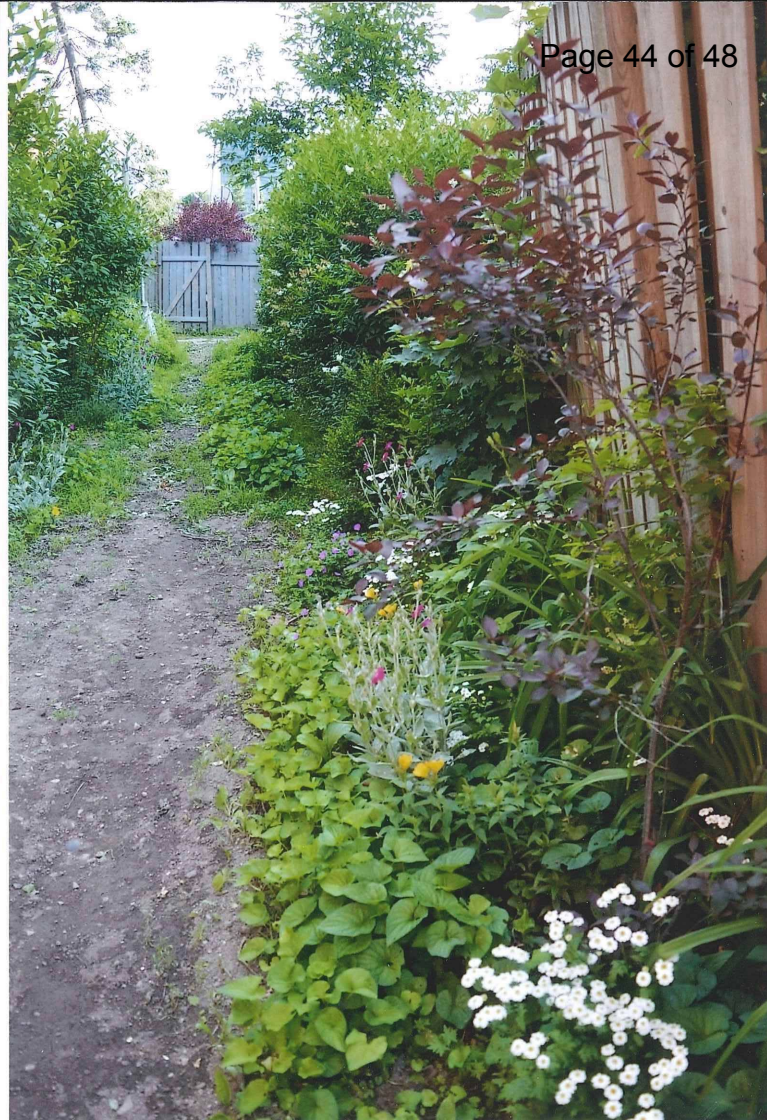
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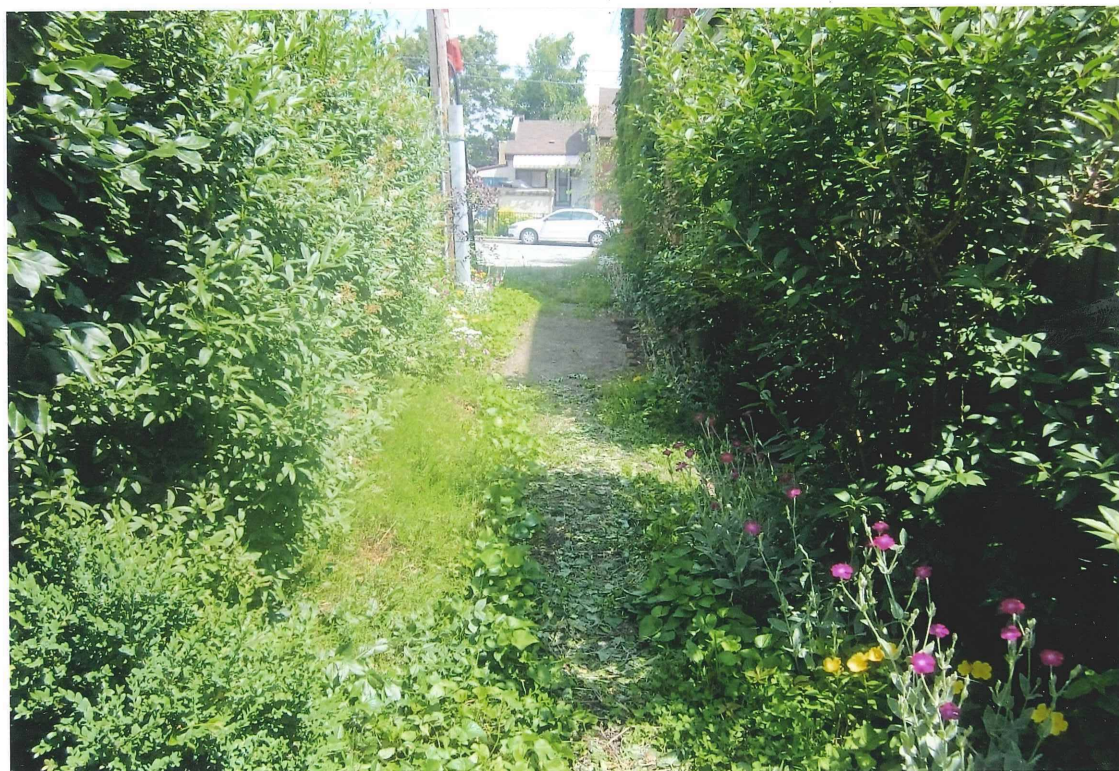
- Closure will eliminate maintenance and liability associated with City ownership while facilitating the development at the intersection of Barton St E & Wellington St N.
- Alignment with the previous alleyway closure approval for abutting lands.
- A hammerhead will be provided at the southern portion of the subject lands to maintain maneuverability of the remaining alleyway and ensure that neighbours can access their private parking areas.
- Committee approval will not have any adverse impacts on the function or usability of the balance of the north-south alley to remain.



Thank You











Revised Item 11.1

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Public Works Committee: April 29, 2019

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. FARR.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Bee City Designation for the City of Hamilton (City Wide)

WHEREAS, the goal of Bee City Canada designation is to promote healthy, sustainable habitats and communities for pollinators;

WHEREAS, bees and other pollinators around the globe have experienced dramatic declines due to land fragmentation, habitat loss, use of pesticides, industrialized agriculture, climate change and the spread of pests and diseases, with serious implications for the future health of flora and fauna;

WHEREAS, cities and their residents have the opportunity to support bees and other pollinators on both public and private land;

WHEREAS, supporting pollinators fosters environmental awareness and sustainability, and increases interactions and engagement among community stewards; and,

WHEREAS, by becoming a Bee City, the City of Hamilton can highlight initiatives already in place and further engage local communities in an environment of creativity and innovation which will promote a healthier life for our community;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff be directed to report back to the Public Works Committee on actions and potential costs required to meet the designation standards of a Bee City by Bee City Canada.