



City of Hamilton
LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SUB-COMMITTEE
AGENDA

Meeting #: 23-001
Date: March 31, 2023
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Carrie McIntosh, Legislative Coordinator (905) 546-2424 ext. 2729

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**LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SUB-COMMITTEE
MINUTES 22-002**

9:30 a.m.

Monday, July 18, 2022

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger (Chair) Councillors M. Wilson (Vice-Chair), J.P. Danko, J. Farr, L. Ferguson, N. Nann, R. Powers

Absent with Regrets: Councillor S. Merulla

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update (PED22118(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Powers/Danko)

That Report PED22118(a) respecting Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
NOT PRESENT - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

2. Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update

(Wilson/Nann)

(a) That staff be directed to report back to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee at the September 26, 2022 meeting, respecting how the

project is being managed on behalf of the City, the design considerations, the City's policy frameworks that will be informing the design process and how the changes since 2019 can be incorporated into the design.

- (b) That staff be directed to prepare the report in full collaboration with Metrolinx, in order to ensure it is a joint project.**

Result: Main Motion, As Amended, CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
 YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
 YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

3. Inclusion of the Hamilton Community Benefits Network as a key stakeholder to the LRT Sub-Committee (Added Item 9.1 (a))

(Eisenberger/Farr)

That the Hamilton Community Benefits Network be included as a key stakeholder to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee to attend meetings as an advisor to the Sub-Committee.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
 YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
 YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

4. Metrolinx - Community Benefits Approach within the Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project (Added Item 9.1 (b))

(Eisenberger/Farr)

That Metrolinx be requested to provide a presentation at the September 26, 2022 Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee meeting respecting the community benefits

approach they have taken in the past with other projects and how they intend to include a community benefits approach within the Hamilton Light Rail Transit project.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
 YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
 YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda.

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

6.1 Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (HCBN) respecting a Request to Include HCBN as a key stakeholder to the LRT Sub-Committee (for today's meeting).

8. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

8.1 Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update (PED22118(a)) (City Wide) – PowerPoint presentation published to the agenda.

(Powers/Nann)

That the agenda for the July 18, 2022 Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
 YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers

YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) May 16, 2022 (Item 4.1)

(Farr/Ferguson)

That the Minutes of the May 16, 2022 meeting of the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
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YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(Nann/Danko)

That the following Delegation Request, be approved for today's meeting:

- (i) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (HBCN) respecting a Request to Include HCBN as a key stakeholder to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee (for today's meeting) (Item 6.1)

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
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YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

(f) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update (PED22118(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

Abdul Shaikh, Director, Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Office, addressed Committee respecting Report PED22118(a), Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Powers/Farr)

That the presentation respecting Report PED22118(a), Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
 YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
 YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
 YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
 YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
 NOT PRESENT - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

(ii) Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update

(Wilson/Nann)

That staff be directed to report back to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee at the September 26, 2022 meeting, respecting how the project is being managed on behalf of the City, the design considerations, the City's policy frameworks that will be informing the design process and how the changes since 2019 can be incorporated into the design.

Mayor Eisenberger relinquished the Chair to Councillor Wilson in order to introduce the following amendment:

(Eisenberger/Farr)

(b) *That staff be directed to prepare the report in full collaboration with Metrolinx, in order to ensure it is a joint project.*

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
NOT PRESENT - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2.

Mayor Eisenberger assumed the Chair.

(g) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 9)

(i) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (HCBN) respecting a Request to Include HCBN as a Key Stakeholder to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee (Item 9.1)

Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (HCBN), addressed the Committee respecting a Request to Include HCBN as a Key Stakeholder to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee.

Mayor Eisenberger relinquished the Chair to Councillor Wilson in order to introduce the following Motions:

(1) Inclusion of the Hamilton Community Benefits Network as a key stakeholder to the LRT Sub-Committee (Added Item 9.1 (a))

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

(2) Metrolinx and their Community Benefits Approach to the Hamilton LRT Project (Added Item 9.1 (b))

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 4.

Mayor Eisenberger assumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

(Farr/Powers)

That the delegation from Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (HCNB) respecting a Request to Include HCBN as a Key Stakeholder to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
NOT PRESENT - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(Danko/Powers)

That there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

YES - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
YES - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
NOT PRESENT - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
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Respectfully submitted,

Mayor F. Eisenberger, Chair,
Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee

Carrie McIntosh
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk



INFORMATION REPORT

TO:	Chair and Members Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee
COMMITTEE DATE:	March 31, 2023
SUBJECT/REPORT NO:	Schedule of Discussion Topics and Presentations for Future Light Rail Transit (LRT) Sub-Committee Meetings (PED23091) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
PREPARED BY:	Abdul Shaikh (905) 546-2424 Ext. 6559 Chris McCafferty (905) 546-2424 Ext. 2320
SUBMITTED BY:	Abdul Shaikh Director, Hamilton LRT Project Office Planning and Economic Development Department
SIGNATURE:	

COUNCIL DIRECTION

Not applicable.

INFORMATION

The purpose of this Information Report is to provide members of the Light Rail Transit (LRT) Sub-Committee with a high-level schedule of the main discussion topics and presentations which staff anticipate will be brought forward to the Sub-Committee in 2023. Additional topics may be added as required.

May 26, 2023 – Design Update

The Environmental Project Report (EPR) addendum, including the corridor concept design, was approved by the Minister of Environment and Climate Change in 2017. Subsequent updates on design refinements were provided to Council through various

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staff reports: Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update (PED18116) received by Council on May 31, 2018, Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update (PED19100) received by Council on May 15, 2019, and Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update and Other Metrolinx Initiatives (PED19100(a)) received by Council on December 4, 2019.

Further design updates were provided for the entire corridor to the LRT Sub-Committee through Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update (PED22118) received by the LRT Sub-Committee on May 16, 2022, and Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update (PED22118(a)) received by LRT Sub-Committee on July 18, 2022. The May 16, 2022 report to the LRT Sub-Committee included key themes City staff would be exploring with Metrolinx to update the design. The themes included Pedestrian Environment, Cycling Facility and Connectivity, Transit Connectivity, Infrastructure Opportunities, Streetscape Elements and Traffic Network. Refinements to the design are being explored to ensure it continues to reflect the goals and needs of the City contemplated in various City-wide guiding documents such as the Vision Zero Plan, Complete Street Guidelines, City's Transportation Master Plan, and Truck Route Master Plan. Since the report, City staff have met with Metrolinx and their consultant in a series of technical design workshops to evaluate opportunities to refine the design.

Staff expect to provide a further design update, including some of the design refinements arising from a review of the key themes described above, at the May 26, 2023 LRT Sub-Committee meeting.

May 26, 2023 – Community Benefits

City staff have continued to emphasize the importance of community benefits. MTO and Metrolinx have acknowledged the critical importance of this in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Hamilton LRT project, ratified by Council on September 15, 2021. In addition, at its meeting of July 18, 2022, the LRT Sub-Committee approved the following direction:

That Metrolinx be requested to provide a presentation at the September 26, 2022, Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee meeting respecting the community benefits approach they have taken in the past with other projects and how they intend to include a community benefits approach within the Hamilton Light Rail Transit project.

Staff have proposed that this presentation happens as part of the May 26, 2023 LRT Sub-Committee meeting. Staff anticipate the presentation will focus on the community benefits approach Metrolinx has taken on other projects and how they

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intend to integrate a community benefits approach for the Hamilton Light Rail Transit project.

May 26, 2023 – Project Procurement

Metrolinx is leading the procurement process for the Hamilton LRT project, which is anticipated to start sometime this year. At the May 26, 2023 LRT Sub-Committee, Staff expect to provide an update on procurement, including the associated timelines.

June 2, 2023 – Agreements and Protocols

At the June 2, 2023 LRT Sub-Committee, staff will present an update on the agreements and protocols under the MOU that are currently under development. Staff will provide a tentative schedule for when the agreements and protocols will be brought forward to the LRT Sub-Committee for consideration.

July 26, 2023 – LRT Operating Models

The MOU states that the City will be responsible for the costs of Operations and Maintenance (O&M) except for life cycle costs; however, it does not set out which party will operate the LRT.

At the July 26, 2023 LRT Sub-Committee meeting, staff expect to present an overview of different operating models and proposed criteria for evaluation of these models. Staff hope to be in a position to present an evaluation of the operations models at the September 25, 2023 LRT Sub-Committee meeting, and anticipate a direction will be required from Council by the end of 2023.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Not applicable.