

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT 12-009

9:30 a.m.
Tuesday, September 4, 2012
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present: Councillors B. McHattie (Chair), L. Ferguson (Vice-Chair)

Councillors, R. Pasuta, R. Powers, C. Collins

Absent with Regrets: Councillor S. Duvall - City Business

Councillor T. Jackson - Vacation Councillor T. Whitehead - Personal

Also Present: Councillor M. Pearson

THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 12-009 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Intersection Control List (PW12001d) (Wards 2 & 7) (Item 5.3)

That the appropriate By-law be presented to Council to provide traffic control as follows:

| Intersection | | | Stop Direction | | | | ll |
|--------------|----------------|---------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------------|------|
| Street 1 | | Street 2 | Existing | Requested | Class | Location / Comments / Petition | Ward |
| (a) | Hess St. | Napier St. | EB/WB | NB | В | E. of Queen St., S. of York Blvd. | 2 |
| (b) | D'Arcy Ct. | East 25 th St. | N/C | WB Stop | Α | N. of Mohawk, W. of Up Sherman | 7 |
| (c) | Burkholder Dr. | East 25 th St. | N/S Stop | All-Way | Α | N. of Mohawk, W. of Up Sherman | 7 |

2. Standard and Approved Products Committee (PW12061) (City Wide)(Item 5.4)

That Report PW12061 respecting, Standard and Approved Products Committee, be received.

- 3. Request from Oxford County Respecting Support for the Resolution Regarding Future Landfill Construction or Approval (PW12062) (City Wide) (Item 5.5)
 - (a) That the Resolution from Oxford County respecting future landfill construction or approval be received;
 - (b) That the Province of Ontario be requested to conduct a review of alternatives to landfill and conclude with clear policy statements providing municipalities guidance on securing waste disposal/processing systems;
 - (c) That the Province of Ontario be requested to conduct a review of legislative tools for waste minimization through extended producer responsibility systems and provide a policy and regulatory framework and a timeline for implementation of these tools;
 - (d) That Report PW12062 be forwarded to Oxford County, the Ontario Minister of the Environment, local MPs, AMO, MWA and RPWCO.
- 4. Proposed Permanent Closure and Sale of a Portion of Road Allowance Abutting 23 West Park Avenue, Hamilton (PW12063) (Ward 1) (Item 6.1)
 - (a) That a portion of road allowance abutting the south side of 23 West Park Avenue, Hamilton, being Part 1 and 2 on Plan 62R-18937, as shown on Appendix B attached to Report PW12063, be permanently closed and sold to the owner of 23 West Park Avenue, Hamilton, subject to the following conditions:
 - (i) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to prepare a bylaw to permanently close the highway;
 - (ii) That the appropriate by-law be introduced and enacted by Council;
 - (iii) That the Economic Development and Real Estate Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to sell this closed highway for \$115,000, in accordance with a motion approved by Council on June 13, 2012, attached as Appendix C to Report PW12063;
 - (iv) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to register a certified copy of the by-law permanently closing the highway in the proper land registry office;

- (v) That the by-law permanently closing the highway not take effect until a certified copy of the by-law is registered in the proper land registry office;
- (vi) That the applicant register a reference plan under the Registry Act and that said plan be prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor to the satisfaction of the Manager, Surveys and Technical Services Section and that the applicant deposit a reproducible copy of said plan with the Manager, Surveys and Technical Services Section;
- (vii) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to register a certified copy of the by-law permanently closing the highway in the proper land registry office;
- (viii) That the City retain an easement over Part 2 on Plan 62R-18937 to allow for future maintenance access to a combined sewage overflow pipe.

5. Soupfest One-Year Pilot Program/Free HSR Transportation (PW12064) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

That future requests for free HSR transportation be evaluated using the criteria set out in the Council approved Transit Fare Waiver and Equipment Use Policy (as approved in Report PW12008a).

6. Comprehensive Outdoor Lighting Study: Sidewalk and Roadway Lighting (PW11041a) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

That Report PW11041a respecting, Comprehensive Outdoor Lighting Study: Sidewalk and Roadway Lighting, be received.

7. Comprehensive Outdoor Lighting Study: Sidewalk and Roadway Lighting (PW11041) (City Wide) (Item 8.2.1)

- (a) That Report PW11041 respecting, Comprehensive Outdoor Lighting Study: Sidewalk and Roadway Lighting, be received;
- (b) That staff be directed to Report to the Public Works Committee on an annual basis respecting the status of Outdoor Lighting implementation.

8. McCormick Rankin Corporation - Construction of the Downtown Multi-Modal Transportation Centre (PW08110a) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

That Purchase Order 45404 to MMM Group be increased by \$132,000 to cover additional costs for onsite resident supervision and inspection for the contract management of MacNab Transit Terminal project as a result of an extended completion date by the Contractor.

9. Hamilton Cycling Committee Report 12-001 (Item 8.4)

That the correspondence to Metrolinx prepared by the Hamilton Cycling Committee (HCyC), attached as Appendix A to Report 12-009, be forwarded to Metrolinx for consideration.

10. Fence Installation and Maintenance to City portion of the assumed alleyway between Chatham and Charlton Streets (Item 9.2)

Whereas, nefarious characters are hanging out in the nooks and crannies of the City assumed alleyway between Charlton and Chatham Streets in Kirkendall neighbourhood, immediately east of the Beer Store and LCBO, and;

Whereas, a fence installed along the assumed alleyway would eliminate "hangout" spots for these nefarious characters, and;

Whereas, a substantial amount of debris has been dumped along the alleyway and in the rear yard of 91/93 Chatham Street over the years, and this debris and vegetation should be removed and disposed of, and affected areas shall be restored with topsoil and grass seed, prior to the construction of the fence, which is intended to restrict access and further dumping, and

Whereas funding for these works was approved by Council on August 16, 2012, from Ward 1 Area Rating capital funds (Item 13 General Issues Committee Report 12-021).

Therefore be it resolved:

- (a) That the City of Hamilton install a 1.8 metre high chain link fence with 2" mesh and galvanized finish, on the City portion of the assumed alleyway between Chatham and Charlton Streets, behind 81-91 Chatham Street properties, with gates as required;
- (b) That the City of Hamilton undertake the work of removing and disposing of debris and vegetation that has been dumped along the alleyway and in the rear yard of 91/93 Chatham Street and restoring the affected areas with topsoil and grass seed, prior to the installation of a fence;

(c) That, the City of Hamilton enter into an agreement that is satisfactory to the City Solicitor, with the owners of 91-93 Chatham Street, which agreement may be executed by the General Manager of Public Works, authorizing the City access on their property and authorizing the City to undertake these works, confirming ongoing ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the fence and confirming that these works are intended to be a one-time maintenance activity.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

(i) Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) Excellence Awards (Item A)

Chair McHattie presented Emil Prpic Manager of Recycling and Waste Disposal and Rob Conley, Supervisor of Landfills and Andrea Bazzard, Landfill Solid Waste Field Technician with the SWANA Gold Award for Landfill Reuse for the redevelopment of the Rennie and Landfill sites. The award recognizes the remediation, restoration and end use of the sites and is a result of the efforts of two areas of Public Works: Waste Management and Landscape Architectural Services. The project, which started in 2001 and was completed in 2011 with the construction of the QEW pedestrian bridge, has successfully turned two historic landfills into a greenspace known as the East Hamilton Recreational Trail Hub and connects East Hamilton to the Lake Ontario waterfront and extends the City's trail system. Cynthia Graham, with Landscape Architectural Services was also acknowledged for her involvement in the design/construction.

Chair McHattie also presented staff with the SWANA Bronze Award in Landfill Management for the Glanbrook Landfill site recognizing excellence in landfill operations. The Glanbrook Landfill has seen a transformation over the last few years in a number of areas including the construction of a landfill gas to energy facility, use of GPS technology to increase compaction which in turn extends landfill life and a habitat management program at the site that has been certified by the Wildlife Habitat Council.

(b) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised that there were no changes to the agenda.

The September 4, 2012 Public Works Committee Agenda was approved, as presented.

(c) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(d) MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) June 18, 2012 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of the June 18, 2012 Public Works Committee were approved as presented.

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

The following delegation requests were approved to appear at a future meeting of the Public Works Committee:

- (i) Delegation Request by Michelle Martin and Lisa Schumph of the Lawson Ministries respecting the Community Access to Transportation Project (Item 4.1)
- (ii) Delegation Request by David Forsee respecting the condition of City roads and streets (Item 4.2)
- (iii) Delegation Request from Bill Warnick respecting the City's policies and signage for through streets (referred from Planning Committee August 14, 2012) (Item 4.3)

(f) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Minutes of Various Sub-Committee (FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY) (Item 5.1)

The following Advisory and Sub-committee Minutes were received for information:

- 5.1.1 Hamilton Cycling Committee
 - (a) March 7, 2012
 - (b) April 4, 2012
 - (c) May 2, 2012

- 5.1.2 Solid Waste Management Master Plan Steering Committee -May 9, 2012
- 5.1.3 Clean City Liaison Committee
 - (a) May 16, 2012
 - (b) June 20, 2012
- (ii) Lake Erie Region Source Protection Committee (Item 5.2)

The following Lake Erie Region Source Protection Committee Minutes were received for information:

- (a) November 3, 2011
- (b) December 15, 2011
- (c) January 12, 2012
- (d) February 2, 2012
- (e) March 1, 2012

(g) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

(i) Proposed Permanent Closure and Sale of a Portion of Road Allowance Abutting 23 West Park Avenue, Hamilton (PW12063) (Ward 1) (Item 6.1)

Chair McHattie indicated that notice of this proposed closure has been advertised in the Spectator on Friday August 24, 2012. The Committee Clerk indicated that no members of the public had registered to speak to this issue. Chair McHattie asked if any members of the public wished to come forward to speak to this matter. No one came forward.

The staff presentation respecting Report PW12063 was waived.

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 4.

(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Comprehensive Outdoor Lighting Study: Sidewalk and Roadway Lighting (PW11041) (City Wide) (Item 8.2.1)

Report PW11041a, was lifted from the table;

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 7.

(i) MOTIONS (Item 9)

- (i) Installation of a full traffic signal at the intersection of Rymal Road and Springside/Atessa (Item 9.1)
 - (a) That a full traffic signal be installed at the intersection of Rymal Road and Springside/Atessa in 2013;
 - (b) That staff be directed to investigate funding an additional \$200,000 in the 2013 Public Works Capital budget process to fund the construction of the traffic signal;
 - (c) That the \$5,000.00 annual cost to operate and maintain the traffic signal be added to Traffic Operations current operating budget dept ID 466045, to ensure that the electricity to operate the signal, and the maintenance and legislated inspections at the new traffic signal.

The Motion respecting the Installation of a full traffic signal at the intersection of Rymal Road and Springside/Atessa was Tabled to the next Public Works Committee meeting.

(ii) Fence Installation and Maintenance to City portion of the assumed alleyway between Chatham and Charlton Streets (Item 9.2)

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 10.

(j) GENERAL INFORMATON

- (i) Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)
 - (a) Items Requiring Approval for Removal:

The following Items were approved for removal from the Outstanding Business List:

Item C - Comprehensive Outdoor Lighting Study: Sidewalk and Roadway Lighting

Item D - Soupfest One-year Pilot Program/Free HSR Transportation

Item L - Resolution from Oxford County regarding Future Landfill Construction or Approval

(b) Items Requiring Revised Due Dates:

The following Due Date was revised:

Item J - Changes to the *Safe Drinking Water Act*: New Data and Recent Developments

Due Date: September 4, 2012 Revised Due Date: October 1, 2012

(k) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Public Works Committee adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor B. McHattie, Chair Public Works Committee

Andy Grozelle Office of the City Clerk September ##, 2012

Bruce McCuaig,
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Dear Mr. McCuaig,

On behalf of the Hamilton Cycling Committee, I am writing to promote cycling infrastructure for rapid transit development in Hamilton. We are encouraged by Metrolinx's investment in Hamilton and look forward to the next phase of plans.

As community representatives in a position to inform City Council decisions regarding cycling matters, we recommend that all decisions regarding rapid transit be reviewed with a "cycling lens" informed by the best examples from around the world.

We have been communicating with City of Hamilton staff regarding the planning and design of the Metrolinx project for Light Rail Transit in Hamilton providing recommendations that ensure cycling infrastructure is integrated into the future transit system for Hamilton residents.

We thought it would be prudent to address your office as well, as we understand that there have been a number of cycling provisions outlined in recent documentation with the current completed Environmental Project Report (EPR) and that the timelines and expectations for the next phase of development are still to be determined.

The Hamilton Cycling Committee is pleased that rapid transit planning is underway. We are supportive of rapid public transit that will integrate cycling providing sustainable transportation options for Hamilton residents.

Cyclists benefit from an integrated approach to public transit that supports their ability to transport their bicycle through busy urban areas for commuters as well as recreational cycling with young families; and that provides the opportunity to extend transit routes that do not provide access to an end destination or end destinations that are removed from frequent transit service.

We feel is it is timely to bring to your attention the need to consider recommendations regarding bicycle approach, signage, bicycle ridership access and bicycle storage to accommodate both commuter and recreational cyclists. The inclusion of bicycle racks currently available on all HSR buses is a positive step for cyclists within Hamilton that must be replicated during public transit expansion and investment with rapid transit infrastructure.

We look forward to the exciting development of LRT in Hamilton.

Sincerely,

Andrea Kita Chair, Hamilton Cycling Committee andrea.kita@gmail.com

Copy to:

Councillor B. McHattie, Chair of the Public Works Committee Daryl Bender, Project Manager, Alternative Transportation