



Hamilton

MOTION

Committee Date: August 12, 2013

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR B. McHATTIE.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Reduction in Greenhouse Gas and Energy

Whereas Hamilton is recognized as a leader across Canada in climate change and energy conservation actions (i.e., top milestone on Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Partners in Climate Change Program, and numerous awards and grants for the work done in the Office of Energy Initiatives);

And Whereas Hamilton had earlier established greenhouse gas (GHG) and energy use reduction targets;

And Whereas greenhouse gas and energy reduction efforts are closely linked;

And Whereas those targets are close to being met, ahead of the 2020 schedule;

And Whereas despite efforts by Hamilton and others, greenhouse gases, mainly in the form of carbon dioxide levels, continue to increase in the atmosphere, recently overtopping the dangerous 400ppm threshold.

Therefore Be It Resolved:

That staff report back on revised science-based greenhouse gas and energy reduction corporate targets for the City of Hamilton by December 2013.