

**CITY OF HAMILTON
MOTION**

Committee Date: May 6, 2014

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. FARR.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

10.1 Redevelopment of a City of Hamilton Owned Surface Parking Lot

WHEREAS The City of Hamilton owns lands that are currently used for surface parking within the Downtown Community Improvement Plan area which is not the highest and best use of these lands;

AND WHEREAS it is a goal of the Downtown Community Improvement Plan area “To ensure a viable population of residents, jobs and visitors to the Project Areas that provide local business support, employment and economic opportunities” and “To make more efficient use of existing infrastructure”;

AND WHEREAS ss 106(3) of the Municipal Act, 2001 provides that the prohibition on a municipality granting bonuses in ss 106(1) does not apply where a Council exercises its authority within a community improvement project area pursuant to ss 28(6) or (7) of the Planning Act.

AND WHEREAS Section 8.2 of the Downtown and Community Renewal Community Improvement Plan states that “The City may also dispose, including sale, lease, or otherwise, of municipal land and buildings within any Community Improvement Project Area for the purpose of achieving the goals and objectives of this Plan”;

AND WHEREAS through the disposition of a surface parking lot the City of Hamilton can provide for the opportunity for the redevelopment of City owned lands currently utilized solely for the purpose of surface parking, provide for additional residential and employment opportunities in the Downtown Community Improvement Plan area and achieve excellence in urban design;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED:

- (a) That Planning and Economic Development Department staff be directed and authorized to report back to Planning Committee by XXXX, 201X on:

A Request for Proposals process for the redevelopment of a City of Hamilton owned surface parking lot in which the City of Hamilton will facilitate the process through the conveyance of the City of Hamilton lands for the best offer subject to the successful project meeting the City of Hamilton's requirements including, but not limited to, matters of design, timing, density and affordability;

- (b) That in preparing the Request for Proposal, Planning and Economic Development Department staff report include a cost-benefit analysis on the redevelopment of the City-owned lands;
- (c) That Planning and Economic Development Department staff report back on the process for the evaluation and assessment of the Request for Proposals, including a stakeholder advisory committee and the composition of the committee.