CITY OF HAMILTON NOTICE OF MOTION

Council Date: May 14, 2014

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR S. MERULLA.....

8.2 Moratorium on LRT Debate Until After the Provincial Election

Whereas the City of Hamilton has been working on the Rapid Transit initiative since 2008:

And whereas the City of Hamilton first completed a feasibility study of Light Rail Transit (LRT) and the B-Line in 2008;

And whereas the City of Hamilton has also completed 30 percent detailed design on the B-line;

And whereas in 2010, a Benefits Case Analysis by Metrolinx was undertaken with respect to LRT in comparison to BRT on the B-Line;

And whereas Hamilton City Council has provided unanimous support for LRT as described in the Rapid Ready Report, which was approved on February 27th, 2013;

And whereas the City's Rapid Ready Report also speaks to the importance of investments in the entire transit system;

And whereas City Council has provided Metrolinx with reports on funding tools and an investment strategy on May 8, 2013 and September 25, 2013 relating to Council's position of 100 percent capital funding;

And whereas, Council requested at its GIC meeting on April 16, 2014 that Transportation Minister Glen Murray be invited and attend an upcoming GIC meeting;

And whereas, Minster Murray has declined to attend a meeting;

And whereas, a provincial election has been called and will take place on June 12, 2014;

Therefore be it resolved:

That City Council put a moratorium on any LRT debates until after the June 12 provincial election.