

Request to Speak to a Committee of Council 2014

If your request is for a specific committee meeting, this form must be received by NOON the day before the scheduled committee meeting. Requests for Monday meetings must be received by NOON the Friday before the meeting. Requests for meetings scheduled for the day after a statutory holiday must be received by NOON the last business day before the meeting. For summer meeting requests (July/August), please contact the City Clerk's Office at (905) 546-4408 for further information.

Committee Requested

Committee: *

If you selected Advisory/Sub-Committee from the above list, please indicate name of Committee: :

Requestor Information

Name of Individual: *

Tony Lemma

Name of Organization:

Kenilworth Team Lead

Contact Number: *

Email Address: *

Mailing Address: *

Reason(s) for delegation request: : *

On September 4th, 2014, I will be speaking to and submitting the Kenilworth's Team, of the Crown Point Planning Team, 3rd Document submission in the Barton Street - Kenilworth Avenue Commercial Corridor Study.

Will you be requesting fund from the City?*

 Yes No

Will you be submitting a formal presentation?*

 Yes No

Are you a lobbyist?

 Yes No

(The information collected for the Lobbyist registry system was implemented by City Council in 2004 and information provided is on a voluntary basis.)

Requests to speak to Council are forwarded to the Committee and will be placed on a Committee agenda for consideration. Once considered by Committee, and approved, you will be notified of the date for your presentation.

This form is not for the purpose of presenting unsolicited proposals by Vendors to Committee. Such proposals are subject to a competitive process as required by the City's Purchasing Policy.

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Crown Point Community Planning Team

Revitalize with Stewardship & Inclusivity

Revision – 3

Background & Purpose:

In the “Crown Point Neighbourhood Action Work Plan 2013-2017” there is a goal that is dedicated to the idea of having a “vibrant, local economy with many small family businesses.”¹ There are also a number of objectives that follow from this goal. One of the objectives is to “transform Kenilworth into a vibrant commercial district.”

Currently, the Crown Point Community Planning team has a resident led action team that is dedicated to this goal and is working closely with the City of Hamilton in the “Barton Street – Kenilworth Avenue Commercial Corridor Study” to revitalize the streets.² In the revitalization efforts, the Team has been engaging with the local residents and business owner/operators to ensure that the changes that occur in our – their neighbourhood will benefit the local residents and the business owner/operators of our – their neighbourhood. In the efforts to collaborate with adjacent neighbourhoods, we also wish to ensure that the changes are a benefit across their neighbourhoods. As well, in our efforts to work closely with the City, we wish to ensure that the changes are a benefit to the greater City of Hamilton.

Overall, the process of having a resident led action team from the neighbourhood engaging with other local residents and business owner/operators in the neighbourhood is meant to yield better outcomes in the revitalization efforts. In outcomes, they are meant to most benefit the individuals that will be most affected by the changes. Following from this goal to create a “vibrant, local economy with many small family businesses,” Team D has adopted the vision to promote “*revitalization with stewardship and inclusivity.*”³

¹ “Crown Point Neighbourhood Action Plan.” Produced by the Neighbourhood Development Office, Layout and Graphics by Cartographic & Graphic Services, City of Hamilton, December 2013. Pgs 36 through to 39

² “Barton Street - Kenilworth Avenue Commercial Corridor Study,” City of Hamilton, City Departments, Planning and Economic Development, Barton Street – Kenilworth Avenue Commercial Corridor Study (<http://www.hamilton.ca/CityDepartments/PlanningEcDev/Divisions/EcDevRealEstate/BartonKenilworthCommercialCorridorStudy.htm>)

³ “Crown Point Neighbourhood Action Plan.” Produced by the Neighbourhood Development Office, Layout and Graphics by Cartographic & Graphic Services, City of Hamilton, December 2013. Pgs 36 through to 39

Mission:

- Community Based Living & Community Based Businesses
 - Fostering local businesses by: (1) encouraging local patronage and loyalty so that small & medium sized businesses can survive & thrive in our neighbourhoods; and (2) by encouraging new businesses to the streets through pop-up shops & incentivizing small businesses
 - Fostering equitable access to employment and housing so that people living on the margins can be included in our society and have the opportunity to play a vital role in our – their community, within the social fabric

- Property Stewardship:
 - To encourage a vibrant community where property values are stable for small store front businesses to take hold and thrive and for low income renters to have access to well managed and well maintained rental units with stable rental rates by incentivizing owner/operators (who purchase a building and want to operate a business/live in it).
 - To discourage absentee landlords from heavily investing in the area on speculations, which creates a false economy in property value that adversely affects both small store front businesses and low income renters. More specifically, by raising the cost of buying for those who would own/operate a business and help to build up the commercial community, the speculators are delaying the revitalization of the area without contributing value.
 - To maintain and preserve existing structures and to avoid their demolition wherever possible
 - To promote a thriving commercial area by maintaining commercial zoning in designated areas on both Barton and Kenilworth for small store front businesses (specific to Kenilworth, maintaining commercial zoning from Barton to Cannon, and to allow for first floor resident occupancy by maintaining both residential occupancy and commercial zoning south of Cannon).

- Community Health & Safe Streets
 - Fostering a safe, clean, and green public realm
 - Fostering a compassionate approach to any relocating of illegal first floor residential tenants by advocating for affordable, well managed, and well maintained alternative housing

Specific Recommended Initiatives:

1. Complete Streets:
 - a. Street Calming Speed Control – reduce speeds for safety and to allow for opportunities to ‘shop at a glance’ – reduce to 30 km in residential and TBD on Barton & Kenilworth
 - b. Street Traffic Planning – aid traffic flow for safety and to decrease driver frustration by having advance green lights for turning on the main intersections of Barton and the main intersections of Kenilworth. Eliminate the “No Left turns” on Kenilworth.
2. Economic Development / Incentive to Promote Owner Operator Businesses:
 - a. Parking meters – Address paid parking to incentivize shopping and not penalize those who choose the commercial corridors over larger box stores and malls
 - b. Continue the current City program to financially assist with building facade beautification
 - c. Develop employment strategies
3. Property Stewardship:
 - a. Property Standards – discourage unkempt vacant properties by Absentee Landlords through active enforcement of property standards under the current municipal Bylaws
4. Community Health:
 - a. Street Beautification:
 - i. Limit use of fencing that directly fronts Kenilworth and Barton
 - ii. Add green spaces and sitting areas along the streets to enhance the walk-ability of the neighbourhood
 - iii. Incorporate the pipeline trail entering onto Roxborough through to Kenilworth and crossing Kenilworth to a small park with hard landscaping features (similar to the small park with the stone tables, chairs, and statue on Ottawa Street) in the existing parking lot between Tim’s and the adjacent Convenience store.
 - iv. Add a pedestrian crossing light to the intersection of Kenilworth and Roxborough
 - v. Bring focus and ease of access to the rail trail using artistic landscaping features as markers/descriptors indicating the trails access from Kenilworth.