

**CITY OF HAMILTON
MOTION**

Council Date: March 11, 2015

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. COLLINS.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Ten Year (2015-2024) Local Transit Strategy (PW14015(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

- (a) That the Ten Year (2015 to 2024) Local Transit Strategy, as outlined in Report PW14015(a) be approved, including the following approvals for 2015 and 2016 to address system deficiencies:
 - (i) \$6M dollars annualized to be phased in over two years;
 - (ii) an additional 50 FTEs with recruitment to be phased in over two years;
 - (iii) the addition of 25 buses to the fleet in 2015 at a capital cost of \$15.6M to be funded as follows:
 - (1) \$3M from development charges;
 - (2) \$5.7M from transit vehicle replacement reserve; and,
 - (3) \$6.9M unfunded capital to be requested from Metrolinx as part of recommendation (d) in Report PW14015(a);
 - (iv) delay the retirement of 10 buses at a capital cost of \$0.5M to be funded from the transit vehicle replacement reserve;
- (b) That the base fare increases, as outlined in Report PW14015(a) be approved, including the following:
 - (i) 15 cents in September, 2015 and 15 cents in September, 2016 to align with the service improvements in recommendation (a) of Report PW14015(a);
 - (ii) 10 cents in September, 2017 and 2018, also to align with service improvements;
 - (iii) Annual fare increases of at least the consumer price index thereafter;

- (iv) That the Seniors Monthly Transit Pass be increased by \$3.00 each year until it reaches \$50.50 per month;
 - (v) That, in future years, the fare be adjusted by the Cost of Living Index;
 - (vi) That the free Golden Age Pass be maintained for those 80 and older;
 - (vii) That any senior in hardship would be encouraged to apply to our Existing Affordable Transit Pass Program if necessary;
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- (c) That new Service Standards, as outlined in Report PW14015(a) be approved for the objective implementation of service;
 - (d) That the City Manager be directed to develop an updated submission to Metrolinx further to what has already been submitted to the Province of Ontario in the Rapid Ready report for the unfunded capital requirements contained in the Ten Year Local Transit Strategy;
 - (e) That the Outstanding Business List item related to Transit on the Hamilton Mountain be identified as complete and removed from the list; and,
 - (f) That the Outstanding Business List item related to HSR Low Performing Routes be identified as complete and removed from the list.