

Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee of Council Terms of Reference

Introduction:

On May 26, 2015, the Government of Ontario announced a \$1B investment for light rail transit (LRT) in the City of Hamilton. The B-Line route for the LRT would be from McMaster University to Queenston Circle, with another line connecting the West Harbour GO Station. A pedestrian walkway would connect passengers to the Hamilton GO Centre.

Council at its meeting of May 27, 2015 passed a Motion brought by Councillor Merulla, Item 7.5 respecting Fostering the Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project that required the following;

- a) That the City Manager be directed to report back on creating an office to facilitate the Light Rail Transit (LRT) project, working closely with Metrolinx;
- b) That a Light Rail Transit (LRT) Sub-Committee of Council be struck; and
- c) That the affected Councillors along the B-Line corridor be asked to participate on the Light Rail Transit (LRT) Sub-Committee.

Objectives:

- That the sub-committee will review, provide input and approve reports brought forward from the LRT Office;
- That the sub-committee will provide input and guidance to the project team on significant issues and decisions;
- That the sub-committee will engage the broader community on a regular basis throughout the design, planning and construction process of the LRT.

Membership:

Membership of the committee will consist of the Mayor and Councillors along the B-Line corridor. Additional Councillors that represent various interests should be on the sub-committee. These include (a representative of the mountain and the rural/suburban wards as well). The tentative initial list proposed includes:

Mayor Fred Eisenberger (Chair, ex-officio)

Councillor Aidan Johnson

Councillor Jason Farr
Councillor Matthew Green
Councillor Sam Merulla

* At least an additional two other councillors (representing the mountain,surburban/rural)

Other representatives of the community – key stakeholders, will be asked to attend as advisors to the sub-committee. These can include but are not limited to (Chamber of Commerce, BIA's, HHHBA, institutional and business partners)

Meetings:

As determined by the Chair.

Secretariat:

Legislative services shall be provided by the City of Hamilton Clerk's Division.

Voting and Attendance:

For purposes of voting, majority means more than half of the Committee members present and voting.

A quorum for the purposes of voting shall be 50% plus one (1) of the Sub-Committee members.