



## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT 15-012**

**9:30 a.m.**

**Monday, September 21, 2015  
Council Chambers  
Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West**

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**Present:** Councillor S. Merulla (Chair)  
Councillor A. VanderBeek (Vice Chair)  
Councillors T. Jackson, S. Duvall, T. Whitehead, D. Conley,  
L. Ferguson, R. Pasuta

**Absent with Regrets:** Councillor C. Collins - Personal

**Also Present:** Councillor M. Pearson

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### **THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 15-012 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

**1. Intersection Control List (PW15001(e)) (Wards 2, 4, 6, 7, 9, 11, 12 and 15)  
(Item 5.1)**

That the appropriate By-law be presented to Council to provide traffic control as follows:

Intersection			Stop Direction		Class	Location / Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
Section “A” Ancaster							
(a)	Evergreen Avenue	Passmore Street	SB Yield	SB Stop	A	Switching Yield to Stop location	9
(b)	Jerseyville Road	Meadowbrook Drive	NB (field only)	NB, EB / WB	D	School area enhancement to provide crossing - Ancaster High	12
Section “C” Flamborough							
(c)	Campbellville Road	Centre Road	NB/SB (field	NB / SB, EB / WB	E	Supported by ward Councillor	15

Intersection			Stop Direction		Class	Location / Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
			only)				
Section “D” Glanbrook							
(d)	Alderlea Avenue	Stagecoach Drive	NB	EB / WB	A	Insufficient Sightlines	11
Section “E” Hamilton							
(e)	Berko Avenue	Folkestone Avenue	NB	EB / WB	A	School area enhancement to provide crossing – Lawfield Elementary	7
(f)	East 16 <sup>th</sup> Street	Mountville Avenue	EB / WB	NB / SB	A	Intersection Safety	7
(g)	East 24 <sup>th</sup> Street	Garden Crescent (South Leg)	EB	NB / SB	A	School area enhancement to provide crossing – Timothy Christian Elementary	7
(h)	East 27 <sup>th</sup> Street	Burkholder Drive	EB /WB	NB / SB	A	School area enhancement to provide crossing – Franklin Jr. Elementary	7
(i)	King William Street	Mary Street	NB / WB	EB	A	School area enhancement to provide crossing – Beasley Elementary	2
(j)	Lorenzo Drive	Colin Crescent	WB	NB / SB	A	Met all-way stop criteria	7
(k)	Seventh Avenue	East 34 <sup>th</sup> Street	NC	WB	A	Housekeeping Item	6
(l)	Thames Way	Fulmar Way	SB	EB / WB	A	Playground area enhancement to provide crossing	11
(m)	Walter Avenue	Melvin Avenue	NB, EB / WB	SB	B	Housekeeping Item	4
(n)	Wexford Avenue	Dunsmure Road	EB / WB	NB / SB	A	Supported by ward Councillor	4
Section “F” Stoney Creek							
(o)	Second Road West / Kingsborough Drive	Rymal Road	SB (field only)	SB / NB	D	New Development & housekeeping	9

**Legend**

No Control Existing (New Subdivision) - **NC**

Intersection Class: **A** - Local/Local **B** - Local/Collector **C** - Collector/Collector

**2. Urban Braille Installation (PW15065) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

That PW Report 15065 respecting Urban Braille Installation, be received.

**3. Amendment to By-law No. R84-026 (Waterworks By-law) (PW15070) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)**

- (a) That the City of Hamilton Waterworks By-law R84-026 be amended to include authority for the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services to adjust water billings for consumers who experience

abnormally high water usage resulting from a direction made by the General Manager of Public Works;

- (b) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to prepare all necessary by-laws, for Council approval, in order to implement recommendation (a).

**4. Frozen Water Services and Watermain Repair Funding (PW15069) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

- (a) That the budget in Project ID 5141560750 (2015 Unscheduled Valve, Hydrant, Watermain & Miscellaneous Water Replacement Program) be increased from \$2,500,000 to \$7,350,000
- (b) That the increase of \$4,850,000 be funded by a transfer from Water Reserve #108015.

**5. Residential Protective Plumbing Subsidy Study (PW11056(g)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

That Report PW11056(g) respecting the Residential Protective Plumbing Subsidy Study, be received.

**6. Allowing Larger-Sized Dogs on the Hamilton Street Railway (PW15066) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List) (Item 8.5)**

That Report PW15066 respecting Allowing Larger-Sized Dogs on the Hamilton Street Railway, be received.

**7. Changes to the *Waste Diversion Act* (Item 9.1)**

That the City of Hamilton call on the Ontario Government to introduce legislation to replace the *Waste Diversion Act* with a system based on full Producer Responsibility, ensuring that:

- (i) producers are responsible for 100% of the end-of-life costs of designated waste;
- (ii) producers work with the municipal sector on those Producer

Responsibility programs that affect municipal integrated waste management systems; and

- (iii) municipalities are fairly compensated for services provided to manage designated waste that enters the municipal system."

**8. Traffic Operations – Function Study for Kenilworth Avenue (South of Barton Street) (Item 9.2)**

- (a) That staff be directed to undertake a *Traffic Operations - Functional Study*, which includes parking considerations, to determine and analyze opportunities to introduce additional Complete Street elements to Kenilworth Avenue (south of Barton Street); and,
- (b) That Staff report to the Public Works Committee on the outcome of the study in order that priorities can be established for inclusion, as required, in the Capital Budget and Operating Budget process, and;
- (c) That the cost of the *Traffic Operations - Functional Study*, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, be funded from the Ward 4 Area Rating Fund Account.

**9. All Way Stop-Control – High Street and Edgewood Avenue (Item 9.3)**

That staff be directed to expedite the process of installing an All Way Stop Control at the intersection of High Street and Edgewood Avenue to ensure the safety of students and other pedestrians.

**10. Mountain Brow Vista Study and Management Plan (Added Item 10.1)**

- (a) That staff be directed to undertake a Scenic Vista Management Plan to provide a long-term strategy of management of these vistas along the Mountain Brow as well as vistas in Ward 8.
- (b) That funds not exceeding \$130,000 for the Scenic Vista Management Plan come from the Area Rating Accounts for Wards 6, 7 and 8.

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL:**

**(a) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

The Committee Clerk advised of the following change to the agenda.

- (i) Added as Item 10.1 – a Notice of Motion respecting the Mountain Brow Vista Study and Management Plan

The Agenda for the September 21, 2015 meeting of the Public Works Committee was approved, as amended.

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)**

**(i) August 31, 2015 (Item 3.1)**

The Minutes of the August 31, 2015 Public Works Committee meeting, were approved, as presented.

**(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)**

**(i) Herb Shields, Enbridge Pipelines, respecting the Westover Line 10 Segment Replacement Project (Item 4.1)**

That the delegation request from Herb Shields, Enbridge Pipelines, respecting the Westover Line 10 Segment Replacement Project, be denied as the same delegation request has already been approved for a future meeting of the General Issues Committee.

**(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)**

**(i) Intersection Control List (Item 5.1)**

Councillor Pasuta asked to be recorded as being opposed to Item 5.1 (c) respecting the installation of a stop control at Campbellville Road and Centre Road.

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 1.

**(ii) Glanbrook Landfill Coordinating Committee Minutes – May 25, 2015  
(Item 5.4)**

The May 25, 2015 Minutes of the Glanbrook Landfill Coordinating, were received.

**(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)**

**(i) Delegation from John Vesprini respecting Flooding and Lawn Installation Issues on Lake Avenue Drive (Item 6.1)**

Mr. John Vesprini addressed the Committee respecting Flooding and Lawn Installation Issues on Lake Avenue Drive with the aid of a handout. A copy of the handout has been retained for the official record.

Mr. Vesprini expressed his longstanding concerns with flooding on Lake Avenue Drive and provided a history of his complaints.

The delegation from John Vesprini respecting Flooding and Lawn Installation Issues on Lake Avenue Drive, was received.

**(ii) Delegation from Luis Ponte, SOS – Safety on Second Organization, respecting Traffic and Plan for Closure of Second Road West (Item 6.2)**

Mr. Luis Ponte addressed the Committee respecting Traffic and Plan for Closure of Second Road West with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been retained for the official record.

Mr. Ponte was joined at the podium by Mr. Michael Borrelli, a resident of the area.

Mr. Ponte's presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- Issue Overview
- Status and Purpose Today
- Cost History
- Community Facts
- City Solution and the Safety on Second Organization's Proposed Solutions

The delegation from Luis Ponte, SOS – Safety on Second Organization, respecting Traffic and Plan for Closure of Second Road West, was received.

Staff were directed to report to the Public Works Committee outlining the history of the plans for the closure for Second Road West.

The report is to include any documentation that Mr. Luis Ponte, SOS – Safety on Second Organization, can provide respecting the developer's and the City's commitment to close Second Road West.

**(g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)**

**(i) Colin Vidler, Manager, Waste Collections, respecting the Downtown Cleanliness Program (Item 7.1)**

Mr. Colin Vidler, Manager, Waste Collections, addressed the Committee respecting the Downtown Cleanliness Program with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been retained for the official record.

Mr. Vidler's presentation included, but was not limited to, the following information:

- Service Areas and Program Scope
- Labour and Equipment Resources
- Downtown Sidewalk Service
- Sidewalk Power-Washing
- Downtown Improvements and Initiatives
- Ongoing Challenges

The presentation from Colin Vidler, Manager, Waste Collections, respecting the Downtown Cleanliness Program, was received.

**(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)**

**(i) Residential Protective Plumbing Subsidy Study (PW11056(g)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

Legal Services staff were directed to report to the Public Works Committee on possible actions the City could take to address allegations of price fixing by contractors who provide services to residents under the Residential Protective Plumbing Services Program.

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 5.

(ii) **Building and Maintenance of Retaining Walls Including 462 Wilson Street East, Ancaster (PW15068) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List) (Item 8.3)**

Report PW15068 respecting the Building Maintenance of Retaining Walls Including 462 Wilson Street East, Ancaster, was tabled to the October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Public Works Committee meeting.

(iii) **Allowing Larger-Sized Dogs on the Hamilton Street Railway (PW15066) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List) (Item 8.4)**

Staff were directed to report back to the Public Works Committee with further information about Allowing Larger-Sized Dogs on the Hamilton Street Railway (HSR) including, but not limited to, the following topics: the experience of other Ontario municipalities, a survey of HSR riders, the use of muzzles, consulting with HSR drivers, concerns respecting Occupational Health and Safety, any liability issues the City may face, requiring certificates of training from dog owners; consultations with guide dog associations and addressing the issue of HSR riders who have a fear of dogs.

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 6.

(i) **MOTIONS (Item 9)**

Councillor Conley introduced the following Motion:

(i) **Changes to the *Waste Diversion Act* (Item 9.1)**

Whereas, municipal taxpayers bear more than 50% of the cost of recycling and disposal of waste packaging and printed paper, products that are increasingly complex or multi-material, resulting in higher costs to reuse, recycle, reclaim or dispose of them; and,

Whereas, the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change has committed to replacing the current waste diversion legislation, but has yet to introduce replacement legislation for the *Waste Diversion Act* to the legislature; and,

Whereas, full producer responsibility provides that producers be responsible for 100% of the costs to end-of-life management for such products and packaging; and,

Whereas, municipalities should not have to bear the cost of end-of-life management of these designated materials through recycling or disposal; and,



Whereas, producer responsibility would provide considerable savings to Hamilton residents and grow the local economy as producers innovate to reduce waste, develop more easily recyclable packaging and work with municipalities on better ways to collect and process these materials;

Therefore be it resolved:

That the City of Hamilton call on the Ontario Government to introduce legislation to replace the *Waste Diversion Act* with a system based on full Producer Responsibility, ensuring that:

- (i) producers are responsible for 100% of the end-of-life costs of designated waste;
- (ii) producers work with the municipal sector on those Producer Responsibility programs that affect municipal integrated waste management systems; and,
- (iii) municipalities are fairly compensated for services provided to manage designated waste that enters the municipal system.

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 7.

Chair Merulla relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chair VanderBeek so that he could introduce the following Motion.

Councillor Merulla introduced the following Motion:

**(ii) Traffic Operations – Function Study for Kenilworth Avenue (South of Barton Street) (Item 9.2)**

Whereas, Kenilworth Avenue is an arterial road with connections to other arterial roads in the City and, ultimately to the Queen Elizabeth Way, and;

Whereas, Kenilworth Avenue has a direct connection to an escarpment crossing, and;

Whereas, Council approved the Final Recommendations Report for the Barton and Kenilworth Commercial Corridor Study which recommended to strategically manage positive change along the corridors in a way that facilitates long-term success and revitalization, and;

Whereas, the context of the Barton and Kenilworth Commercial Corridor Study was to articulate a vision for each corridor that integrates previous planning efforts and identifies priority actions and “quick wins” for public realm improvement and economic investment for each corridor, and;

Whereas, the Barton and Kenilworth Commercial Corridor Study recommends to enhance the pipeline corridor in order to provide better connectivity through the neighbourhood and to create a greenspace along Kenilworth Avenue as a prominent public realm component for the residents, and;

Whereas, the vision of the Pipeline Trail Community Group is “to encourage various recreational activities, like walking and cycling and offer safe and visible connections to other urban trails, parks and commercial corridors”, and;

Whereas, the Pipeline Trail Master Plan has recognized the junction of the Pipeline Trail and Kenilworth Avenue as a trail node and this node encompasses the areas to the east and west of Kenilworth Avenue, and;

Whereas, in an effort to enhance the safe use of the multi-use Pipeline Trail for both cyclists and pedestrians, which bisects Kenilworth Avenue, (south of Cannon Street), there is a need to provide infrastructure to facilitate this crossing while taking into consideration the arterial-nature of Kenilworth Avenue, and;

Whereas, Complete Street elements are being considered and implemented in the southerly portion of Kenilworth Avenue, namely, posted speed reductions, the removal of the Truck Route designation and reducing through travel lanes, and;

Whereas, there has been a desire to extend the Complete Street elements along Kenilworth Avenue (from Barton Street to King Street) as a means to stimulate potential mixed-use commercial and residential land uses;

Therefore be resolved:

- (a) That staff be directed to undertake a *Traffic Operations - Functional Study*, which includes parking considerations, to determine and analyze opportunities to introduce additional Complete Street elements to Kenilworth Avenue (south of Barton Street); and,
- (b) That Staff report to the Public Works Committee on the outcome of the study in order that priorities can be established for inclusion, as required, in the Capital Budget and Operating Budget process, and;

- (c) That the cost of the *Traffic Operations - Functional Study*, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, be funded from the Ward 4 Area Rating Fund Account.

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 8.

Chair Merulla took the Chair back from Vice Chair VanderBeek.

Councillor Jackson introduced the following Motion:

**(iii) All Way Stop Control – High Street and Edgewood Avenue (Item 9.3)**

Whereas, the Ward Councillor and Traffic Division staff have received requests for the installation of an All Way Stop Control at High Street and Edgewood Avenue; and,

Whereas, this intersection is in close proximity to both an elementary and a secondary school that front onto High Street; and,

Whereas, the Traffic Division, upon review of this request, recommends the approval of the installation of an All Way Stop Control based on the City's efforts of improving School Zone Safety under the Hamilton Strategic Road Safety Program,

Therefore be it resolved:

That staff be directed to expedite the process of installing an All Way Stop Control at the intersection of High Street and Edgewood Avenue to ensure the safety of students and other pedestrians.

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 9.

**(j) NOTICES OF MOTIONS (Item 10)**

Councillor Jackson introduced the following Notice of Motion:

**(i) Mountain Brow Vista Study and Management Plan (Added Item 10.1)**

Whereas, there has been an ongoing interest by the citizens of Wards 6 & 7 for scenic vistas along the geographic area of the mountain brow (i.e. Including Mountain Brow Blvd and Mountain Park Ave.), and;

Whereas, there is a history of tree trimming in approved locations, and;

Whereas, these lands remain under the jurisdiction of the Niagara Escarpment Commission therefore requiring approval of a management plan to establish viewing locations suitable for development;

Therefore be it resolved:

- (a) That staff be directed to undertake a Scenic Vista Management Plan to provide a long-term strategy of management of these vistas along the Mountain Brow.
- (b) That funds not exceeding \$130,000 for the Scenic Vista Management Plan come from the Area Rating Accounts for Wards 6 and Ward 7 as follows for a project total of \$105,000 plus a contingency of \$25,000
  - (i) Ward 6: 60% of costs (\$63,000 plus a contingency of \$15,000)
  - (ii) Ward 7: 40% of costs (\$42,000 plus a contingency of \$10,000)

The rules of order were waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting a Mountain Brow Vista Study and Management Plan.

The motion respecting a Mountain Brow Vista Study and Management Plan was amended by adding the words “as well as vistas in Ward 8” to sub-section (a) and by deleting and replacing sub-section (b) to read as follows:

- (a) That staff be directed to undertake a Scenic Vista Management Plan to provide a long-term strategy of management of these vistas along the Mountain Brow **as well as vistas in Ward 8.**
- (b) **That funds not exceeding \$130,000 for the Scenic Vista Management Plan come from the Area Rating Accounts for Wards 6, 7 and 8.**

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 10.

**(k) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)**

**(i) Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)**

The following Item was considered complete and removed from the Outstanding Business List:

- (1) Urban Braille Installation

The due dates of the following Items were revised:

- (1) Review and Update – Strategic Renewal and New Construction Strategy  
Current Due Date: October 19, 2015  
Revised Due Date: June 2016
- (2) Resale of HSR Bus Tickets Above Face Value  
Current Due Date: September 21, 2015  
Revised Due Date: November 2, 2015
- (3) Feasibility Study respecting Installation of Sound Barriers on the North Side of Mud Street  
  
Current Due Date: October 19, 2015  
Revised Due Date: March 2016

**(l) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

There being no further business, the Public Works Committee adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Merulla,  
Chair  
Public Works Committee

Lauri Leduc  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk