



## Hamilton

### **TRUCK ROUTE SUB-COMMITTEE**

**Report 16-001**

**Thursday, February 4, 2016**

**1:30 p.m., Room 264**

**Hamilton City Hall**

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**Present:** Councillor B. Johnson, Vice-Chair  
Councillors M. Pearson, J. Partridge, T. Jackson, and S. Merulla

**Absent:** Councillor R. Pasuta – Personal

**Also Present:** Councillor D. Conley

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### **THE TRUCK ROUTE SUB-COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 16-001 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

#### **1. Province-Wide Standardization of Truck Traffic Signage**

- (a) That Hamilton City Council correspond with the Ministry of Transportation requesting province-wide standardization of signage related to truck traffic on local roads in Ontario in order to achieve consistency; and
- (b) That staff be directed to formally review truck route initiatives with the LRT Sub-Committee, LRT planning group, and Transportation Master Plan staff, as it relates to potential impacts of the LRT project.

### **FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:**

#### **(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

The Committee Clerk advised that there were no changes to the agenda.

The February 4, 2016 Agenda was approved, as presented.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

**(i) December 10, 2015 (Item 3.1)**

The Minutes of the December 10, 2015 Truck Route Sub-Committee, were approved, as presented.

**(d) DELEGATIONS (Item 6)**

**(i) Lynda Lukasik, Executive Director, Environment Hamilton, respecting issues regarding enforcement data and clarification on the mandate of the sub-committee (Item 6.1)**

Ms. Lynda Lukasik, Executive Director, Environment Hamilton, addressed Committee respecting issues regarding enforcement data and clarification on the mandate. The delegation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- Understanding the role of the committee and clarity respecting its mandate
- Asked whether or not a truck route study is taking place as part of the Transportation Master Plan
- Interest in truck routes as traffic flow has a direct effect on communities, specifically ensuring more liveable and enjoyable streets
- Requests through the sub-committee an in-depth look at truck routes within the city

The delegation from Lynda Lukasik, Executive Director, Environment Hamilton, respecting issues regarding enforcement data and clarification on the mandate of the sub-committee, was received.

**(e) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)**

**(i) Consultant's Report by IBI Group respecting City of Hamilton Traffic Control: Signage and By-Law Methodology Review (Outstanding Business List Item)**

Ron Stewart and Matt Colwill, IBI Group, provided a PowerPoint presentation respecting City of Hamilton Traffic Control: Signage and By-Law Methodology Review. The presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- Study Process (Truck Route Master Plan by IBI Group, background web/literature review, stakeholder meetings, jurisdictional survey)

- Background – current system and Hamilton’s use of a permissive system (restrictive signage only used on an exception basis)
  - Survey Results (15 agencies contacted and 10 responses)
  - Focus Area Case Studies
  - ‘Burning’ Issues, including: signing approach moving forward; definition of heavy vehicles; exceptions; addressing specified users; as well as education and enforcement.
  - Recommendations include the maintenance of permissive signage and designated truck routing system, and the supplementation of the permissive signage with ‘informational’ restrictive signage which would essentially mean adopting an informal hybrid system.
- (a) The Presentation by the IBI Group respecting City of Hamilton Traffic Control: Truck Route Signage and By-law Methodology Review, was received;
- (b) The Presentation by the IBI Group respecting City of Hamilton Traffic Control: Truck Route Signage and By-law Methodology Review, was referred to staff for a report back on IBI’s recommendations and other options, at the May 5, 2016 Truck Route Sub-Committee meeting; and
- (c) One final attempt was made to request information respecting Truck Route Signage practices from Halton Region and the Town of Lincoln.

### **LRT Impact on Traffic Truck Flow**

Staff was directed to report back to the May 5, 2016 Truck Route Sub-Committee to elaborate on options of dealing with the flow of truck traffic travelling westerly redirected from King Street as a result of the LRT Project and the issues of traffic flow at Barton Street and James Street and Burlington Street as well as impact on Cannon Street.

### **Centennial Parkway Truck Flow and Area Impacts**

Staff was directed to investigate the removal of Centennial Parkway between Queenston Road and Green Mountain Road from the designated truck route system, and potential impacts on the trucking industry, residents, local businesses and industrial sites.

**(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)**

**(i) Westover Truck Route (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.1)**

Staff provided an overview on the status of the Westover Road Truck Route and advised that this matter will be considered in conjunction with other plans which are currently in the process of being reviewed.

The Westover Truck Route (Outstanding Business List Item) discussion item was tabled to a future Truck Route Sub-Committee meeting.

**(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 12)**

There being no further business, the Truck Route Sub-Committee adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor B. Johnson, Vice-Chair  
Truck Route Sub-Committee

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