

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Council Date: May 25, 2016

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR T. WHITEHEAD.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Urbanization of Rural Cross-Section Roads

WHEREAS, there are rudimentary safety issues on the road networks within the urban boundary;

WHEREAS, an urbanist approach to planning safer streets in our communities has gained support amongst City of Hamilton Councillors, staff and citizens alike;

WHEREAS, there has been a great deal of community engagement and encouragement regarding initiatives that push for many enhancements in the name of safety on our streets;

WHEREAS, there are many neighbourhoods that have rural cross-section roads with no sidewalks within the urban boundary;

WHEREAS, residents are trying to walk to their churches and schools in these neighbourhoods safely;

WHEREAS, the city has a responsibility to prioritize fundamental safety in neighbourhoods over enhancements in other areas that are already adequately urbanized;

WHEREAS, crossing guards are not assigned in neighbourhoods that have no sidewalks,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to report to the Public Works Committee with a Capital Plan to urbanize rural cross-section roads in the next 5 years; and,
- (b) That staff develop a strategy for ensuring safety in neighbourhoods not yet urbanized.