

CITY OF HAMILTON

REVISED MOTION

Council Date: July 8, 2016

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. FARR.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Relocating the Sobi Bike Share Hub

WHEREAS Sobi Bike Share Hamilton has far surpassed all ridership projections in the short time it has been in existence and is considered an enormous cycling recreation and commuter success in the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS one of the most active Sobi hubs (bike parking stations) is on James Street North at Mulberry;

WHEREAS the James Street Armouries is a highly regarded institution that is steeped in history and greatly respected along James Street and throughout the City of Hamilton;

WHEREAS the James Street Armouries has respectfully requested that Sobi Bike Share move the current James North and Mulberry hub further north by approximately 25 metres to the north side of the main entrance to accommodate our heroes, the veteran women and men of the Canadian Armed Forces who regularly attend events and activities at the James Street Armouries;

WHEREAS to do this, a net of one metered parking spot will be removed and replaced with a bike share hub that in the month of June had 880 trips to the hub and 821 trips from it;

WHEREAS this is without question an important transit hub for this neighborhood (which also translates to lots of parking spots! Just not for cars...);

WHEREAS we know from our surveys that riders are often replacing car trips with bike share trips and everyone benefits from a healthier community and reduced greenhouse gas emissions;

WHEREAS the Hamilton Burlington Society of Architects, who sponsor this hub, have agreed to the minor move, approximately 25 metres to the north, and support this direction that is considered a compromise for all involved; and

WHEREAS in the near future, the Ward Councillor will be participating in a walk-a-bout that may provide for several more on-street auto parking options in the area than are currently available.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That a net of one metered parking spot be removed to accommodate the relocation of one of the Sobi Bike Shares most active bike hubs approximately 25 metres to the North of its current location, so as to accommodate our heroes, the veteran women and men of the Canadian Armed Forces.