

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Council Date: September 14, 2016

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR D. SKELLY.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR T. WHITEHEAD.....

Making Upper James More Pedestrian Friendly

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton's Master Transportation Plan states that promoting and encouraging walking through the provision of facilities and programs helps build active communities, and reduces the dependence on automobile transportation and the associated infrastructure costs, air quality, safety and congestion problems;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton's Master Transportation Plan suggests that a successful Pedestrian Network Strategy should facilitate efficient, safe, and enjoyable travel for commuters and other pedestrians through expansion and improvement of the network of on-street pedestrian facilities; and, promote recreational walking and active transportation through the development of off-street facilities; and,

WHEREAS, making the city more pedestrian friendly is consistent with Hamilton's vision statement, "The best place to raise a child and age successfully";

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to prepare a report to the Public Works Committee, respecting the feasibility of making Upper James Street, between the Claremont Access and Rymal Road, more pedestrian friendly without impacting traffic flow; and,
- (b) That the forthcoming report, respecting a More Pedestrian Friendly Upper James Street, provide a phased-in approach with the initial phase of the study focusing on the area between Mountain Brow Boulevard and Fennell Avenue, with the inclusion of additional pedestrian crosswalks.