



**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES 17-002**

9:30 a.m.

Monday, February 13, 2017

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

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**Present:** Councillor A. VanderBeek (Chair)  
Councillor L. Ferguson (Vice Chair)  
Councillors S. Merulla, C. Collins, T. Jackson, T. Whitehead  
and D. Conley

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

**Also Present:** Councillors J. Farr, M. Green and M. Pearson

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**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:**

**1. Intersection Control List (PW17001(a)) (Wards 1, 7, 13 and 15) (Item 5.1)**

**(Conley/Collins)**

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	Proposed				
<b>Section "B" Dundas</b>							
(a)	Melville Street	Matilda Street	NB/SB	EB/WB	A	Councillor request & approved	13
<b>Section "C" Flamborough</b>							
(b)	Thomson Drive / Snake Road	Main Street	WB/SB	NB	A	Resident request, Councillor approved	15

Intersection		Stop Direction		Class	Location / Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Proposed			
<b>Section "E" Hamilton</b>						
(c)	Berko Avenue	Edwina Place	NB	EB/WB	A	Resident request, Councillor approved 7
(d)	Florence Street	Inchbury Street	SB	EB/WB	A	Resident request, Councillor approved 1
(e)	Locke Street	Morden Street	WB	NB/SB	B	Resident request, Councillor approved 1

**Legend**

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

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

**CARRIED**

2. **Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016 (PW16007(b)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

**(Whitehead/Conley)**

That Report PW16007(b) respecting the *Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016*, be received.

**CARRIED**

3. **Mohawk Road to Brantford-bound King's Highway 403 Ramp Update (PW12051(b)) (Ward 12) (Item 8.1)**

**(Ferguson/Collins)**

- (a) That the General Manager of Public Works, or his designate, be authorized to negotiate the terms and conditions of an agreement with Ministry of Transportation on behalf of the Province of Ontario, respecting the design, construction and maintenance of a westbound on-ramp connecting Mohawk Road to Brantford-bound King's Highway 403;
- (b) That staff be directed to report back to the Public Works Committee on the status of the negotiations of an agreement respecting the design, construction and maintenance of the new Mohawk Road Ramp with the Ministry of Transportation on behalf of the Province of Ontario, and the City's proposed capital budget funding requirements.

**CARRIED**

**4. Wentworth Street South Rail Trail Pedestrian Crossing (Item 9.1)**

**(Merulla/Whitehead)**

WHEREAS, PW Report 15-021(a), considered by the Public Works Committee on June 13, 2016, provided information regarding pedestrian safety when crossing the Wentworth Street South Rail Trail;

WHEREAS, PW Report 15-021(a) was amended to have staff and the affected Ward Councillors discuss the matter further;

WHEREAS, this discussion has now taken place and a recommendation has been developed;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to install a Pedestrian Signal on Wentworth Street South at the Wentworth Street South Rail Trail Crossing; and,
- (b) That funding for the Pedestrian Signal, at an upwards cost of \$200,000 be funded 100% from the Red Light Camera Reserve 112203; and,
- (c) That the matter respecting the Wentworth Street South Rail Trail Crossing and Traffic Calming Measures on Charlton Avenue East be considered complete and removed from the Outstanding Business List.

**CARRIED**

**5. Property Remediation (PW17009/LS17005) (City Wide) (Item 12.1)**

**(Merulla/Whitehead)**

- (a) That the City of Hamilton proceed as described in Report PW17009/LS17005;
- (b) That the General Manager of Public Works be authorized and directed to take all necessary steps, and to enter into and execute all necessary documents to implement subsection (a), with content satisfactory to both the General Manager of Public Works and the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (c) That any funds received by the City of Hamilton related to Report PW17009/LS17005 be deposited into Waste Management Facilities Reserve (#112271) and identified as funding sources for future remediation projects for the property; and,
- (d) That Report PW17009/LS17005 remain confidential.

**CARRIED**

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COMMITTEE:**

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

**(Merulla/Conley)**

That the Agenda for the February 13, 2017 meeting of the Public Works Committee be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

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

There were no declarations of interest.

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

**(i) January 16, 2017 (Item 3.1)**

**(Collins/Whitehead)**

That the Minutes of the January 16, 2017 Public Works Committee meeting be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**(d) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)**

**(i) Minutes of the Hamilton Cycling Committee – October 5, 2016 (Item 5.2)**

**(Ferguson/Conley)**

That the Minutes of the Hamilton Cycling Committee dated October 5, 2016, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(ii) Minutes of the Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee – November 15, 2016 (Item 5.3)**

**(Ferguson/Jackson)**

That the Minutes of the Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee dated November 15, 2016, be received.

**CARRIED**

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

**(i) Teresa Morosin respecting a retaining wall on her property (Item 6.1)**

Ms. Teresa Morosin addressed the Committee respecting a retaining wall on her property.

**(Whitehead/Ferguson)**

That the delegation from Teresa Morosin respecting a retaining wall on her property be received and referred to staff for consideration in the report they are preparing on this matter.

**CARRIED**

**(ii) Michael Gemmell, Executive Director, Green Venture, respecting Outreach and Education Activities conducted by Green Venture in 2016 on behalf of the Public Works Department (Item 6.2)**

Mr. Michael Gemmell, Executive Director, Green Venture, addressed the Committee respecting Outreach and Education Activities conducted by Green Venture in 2016 on behalf of the Public Works Department.

A copy of Mr. Gemmell's presentation has been retained for the official record and is available on the City's website.

**(Collins/Ferguson)**

That the delegation from Michael Gemmell, Executive Director, Green Venture, respecting Outreach and Education Activities conducted by Green Venture in 2016 on behalf of the Public Works Department, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(f) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)**

**(i) *Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016 (PW16007(b)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)***

Mr. Dave Gordon, Senior Advisor, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, addressed the Committee respecting the *Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016*.

A copy of the presentation has been retained for the official record and is available on the City's website.

**(Ferguson/Collins)**

That the presentation respecting the *Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016*, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(Collins/Merulla)**

- (a) That staff be directed to report to the Public Works Committee with an outline of the capital investments for waste improvement projects which may need to be delayed or deferred because of provincial legislative changes; and,
- (b) That the report also look at the impact that those decisions may have on the City's contractual obligations with its service providers.

**CARRIED**

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2.

**(ii) Annual Update from the Hamilton Cycling Committee (Item 7.2)**

Mr. Greg Blunsdon, a member of the Hamilton Cycling Committee, provided the Public Works Committee with an Annual Update. Mr. Blunsdon was joined at the podium by Mr. Bob Corsini, Ms. Ann McKay and Mr. Kevin Love who also serve on the Cycling Committee.

A copy of the presentation has been retained for the official record and is available on the City's website.

**(Ferguson/Collins)**

That the Annual Update from the Hamilton Cycling Committee, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(g) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)**

**(i) 18 Sinclair Court (PW17006) (Ward 5) (Outstanding Business List) (Item 8.2)**

**(Collins/Merulla)**

That Report PW17006 respecting 18 Sinclair Court be TABLED to a future Public Works Committee meeting to allow for the Ward Councillor to discuss the options outlined in the Report with the property owner.

**CARRIED**

**(ii) Installation of a Rainbow-Coloured Crosswalk in the International Village BIA (Ward 2) (Item 9.5)**

**(Merulla/Whitehead)**

That the motion respecting the Installation of a Rainbow-Coloured Crosswalk in the International Village BIA, be REFERRED to the February 22, 2017 meeting of City Council.

**CARRIED**

**(h) MOTIONS (Item 9)**

**(i) Dundas Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and Cootes Paradise (Item 9.2)**

Councillor VanderBeek relinquished the chair to Vice Chair Ferguson in order to introduce the following motion:

**(VanderBeek/Jackson)**

WHEREAS, Hamilton Harbour including Cootes Paradise, is designated an Area of Concern by the Federal Government of Canada under the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement;

WHEREAS, Cootes Paradise is designated, as part of the Niagara Escarpment World Biosphere Reserve, an Area of Natural and Scientific Interest, a Class 1 provincially significant wetland, and furthermore is the largest remaining coastal marsh left on Lake Ontario;

WHEREAS, Cootes Paradise is referenced in the City of Hamilton Rural and Urban Official Plan as an Environmentally Significant Area;

WHEREAS, Cootes Paradise is set aside as a legislated nature reserve managed by Royal Botanical Gardens and serves as refuge and an area that protects multiple species at risk including birds, turtles, fish, and fresh water mussels;

WHEREAS, the Hamilton Harbour Remedial Action Plan and the Royal Botanical Gardens have a direct interest in achieving environmental targets focused on improving environmental conditions in the marsh;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton recognizes the environmental and social significance of the Cootes Paradise area that serves as a migratory bird stop over, and fish nursery for Western Lake Ontario with the potential for producing 10 million fish annually when in a healthy state;

WHEREAS, The Dundas Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 135 King St. East is owned and operated by the City of Hamilton and discharges treated effluent to Cootes Paradise via the Desjardins Canal which has a direct influence on the health of Cootes Paradise;

WHEREAS, the City has completed an asset replacement study for the future use of the Dundas Wastewater Treatment Plant; and,

WHEREAS, the City is committed to the goal of delisting Hamilton Harbour as an Area of Concern;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That staff be directed to report back to the Public Works Committee regarding planned future capital upgrades at the Dundas WWTP including the identification of opportunities for improving treatment performance and expectation for implementation timelines, in order to meet the environmental needs of Cootes Paradise.

**CARRIED**

Councillor VanderBeek assumed the Chair.

- (ii) 3-Way Stop Signs at Scenic Drive and West 34<sup>th</sup> Street (Ward 8) (tabled at November 14, 2016 Public Works Committee meeting) (Item 9.3)**

**(Whitehead/Ferguson)**

That the motion respecting 3-Way Stop Signs at Scenic Drive and West 34<sup>th</sup> Street, be WITHDRAWN.

**CARRIED**

- (iii) 3-Way Stop Signs at Scenic Drive and Chateau Court (Ward 8) (tabled at November 14, 2016 Public Works Committee meeting) (Item 9.4)**

**(Whitehead/Ferguson)**

That the motion respecting 3-Way Stop Signs at Scenic Drive and Chateau Court, be WITHDRAWN.

**CARRIED**

- (i) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)**

- (i) Changes to the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)**

**(Ferguson/Conley)**

That the following item be considered complete and removed from the Outstanding Business List:

- (i) Wentworth Street South Rail Trail Pedestrian Crossing (Item 9.1 of today's agenda)**

**CARRIED**



**(j) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)**

**(i) Property Remediation (PW17009/LS17005) (City Wide) (Item 12.1)**

**(Merulla/Ferguson)**

That Committee move into Closed Session at 12:38 p.m. respecting Report PW17009/LS15005 about Property Remediation Pursuant to Section 8.1, Sub-section (f) of the City's Procedural By-law 14-300, and Section 239(2), Sub-section (f) of the *Ontario Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, as the subject matter pertains to the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.

**CARRIED**

Direction was provided to staff in Closed Session.

For further disposition on this matter, refer to Item 5.

**(k) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

**(Ferguson/Merulla)**

That there being no further business, the Public Works Committee be adjourned at 1:31 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor A. VanderBeek  
Chair, Public Works Committee

Lauri Leduc  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk