



**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
REPORT 17-005
9:30 a.m.
Monday, April 3, 2017
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West**

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 – Sick Leave

Also Present: Councillor Pearson

**THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 17-005 AND
RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:**

**1. 2017 Special Events Requiring Temporary Road Closures (PW17030)
(Wards 1, 3, 7 and 9) (Item 5.1)**

That each of the following applications:

- (a) Transportation Planning Services in cooperation with St. Marguerite d'Youville for the temporary closure of Bonaparte Way between Brigade Drive and Fusilier Drive on Wednesday April 19, 2017 for a Spring into Spring Block Party Street Event;
- (b) Todays Family for the temporary closure of Ferguson Avenue/Dock Service Road between Burlington Street and Catharine Street on Sunday May 7, 2017 for a Bike for Mike Event;
- (c) A Day On The Bridge Incorporated for the temporary closure of York Boulevard between Dundurn Street and Plains Road on Sunday June 11, 2017 for a Day on the Bridge Event;

- (d) Stoney Creek BIA for the temporary closure of Jones Street between King Street and Mountain Avenue from Saturday June 17 at 8:00 a.m. to June 18 at 6:00 p.m. for a Street Festival;
- (e) Barton Village BIA for the temporary closure of Barton Street between Wentworth Street and Birch Avenue on Saturday June 24, 2017 for Barton Village Festival / Open Streets Event,

be approved, subject to the following conditions:

- (i) That the City may revoke the temporary road closure at any time to gain access for emergency services;
- (ii) That no property owner or resident within the barricaded area be denied access to their property upon request;
- (iii) That the applicant ensure that clean-up operations be carried out immediately before the re-opening of the roads, to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Public Works or designate at the expense of the event organizer;
- (iv) That all barricading and traffic control be supplied by the applicant, and must conform to “Ministry of Transportation Book 7 - Temporary Conditions”;
- (v) That all barricading and traffic control be subject to the direction and satisfaction of the General Manager of Public Works or designate with all costs the responsibility of the applicant;
- (vi) That all warning boards and detour signs manufactured and installed by the City of Hamilton in advance of the closure be at the expense of the applicant;
- (vii) That the applicant notify all property owners and tenants along the closed portion of the route of the event in writing a minimum of two weeks in advance of the closure. The notice must be completed prior to the event in a form acceptable to the General Manager of Public Works or designate, providing, but not limited to a 24-hour contact name and telephone number;
- (viii) That the applicant provide proof of \$2,000,000 public liability insurance naming the City of Hamilton as an added insured party with a provision for cross liability, and holding the City of Hamilton harmless from all actions, causes of action, interests, claims, demands, costs, damages, expenses and loss;
- (ix) That the applicant pay the required full road closure fee of \$646.90 made payable to “The City of Hamilton” prior to road closure.

2. Rare Turtle Recovery, Wildlife Corridor Issues and Roads of Issue at Cootes Paradise (PW16024(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

That Report PW16024(a) respecting Rare Turtle Recovery, Wildlife Corridor Issues and Roads of Issue at Cootes Paradise, be received.

3. Cannon Street Bi-Directional Cycle Track Pilot Project (PW14031(b)) (Wards 2 and 3) (Item 5.3)

That Report PW14031(b) respecting the Cannon Street Bi-Directional Cycle Track Pilot Project, be received.

4. Removal of the Leash-Free/Free-Running Designation at Little John Park (Item 9.1)

WHEREAS, Little John Park is designated as a neighbourhood park by the City of Hamilton and is located on Little John Road, in Dundas (Ward 13);

WHEREAS, a portion of the Little John Park was designated as a free running area in 1986 by the former Town of Dundas, by By-law No. 3676-87 and subsequently, in 2001, the City of Hamilton repealed that by-law, replacing it with By-law No. 01-169, retaining the leash-free parks established by the former Town of Dundas;

WHEREAS, in 2003, the City of Hamilton adopted a City-wide Leash Free Parks Program Policy (PW03067) to adopt facility standards, service levels, and operating regulations to guide their development and operation;

WHEREAS, the free running leash-free designation at Little John Park is limited to the hours of 6:00 am to 9:00 am and 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm and is unfenced along both Lynden Avenue and Little John Road;

WHEREAS, the park borders the Rail Trail, includes a children's playground, public tennis courts and, during winter, a City approved, volunteer-run, outdoor skating rink (and the rink is located within the unfenced free-running leash-free area), in contravention to the City's current leash-free policies;

WHEREAS, the Ward Councillor's office has received inquiries, requests and concerns from neighbouring residents regarding the appropriateness of the designation in Little John Park and citing various issues around the safety of animals and people, disregard for the time limitations, inattentive dog owners, among others;

WHEREAS, a public meeting with residents of the neighbourhood was held by the Ward Councillor in conjunction with City staff, followed by distribution of an opinion survey by the Councillor's office;

WHEREAS, the overriding response at the meeting, through the opinion survey, and from comments to the Councillor's office indicate the majority of respondents favour re-designation of Little John Park to a leashed park;

WHEREAS, City Parks staff supports the removal the free-running designation at Little John Park, in response to the neighbourhood residents' concerns and requests,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the free-running, leash-free, designation at Little John Park in Dundas (Ward 13) be removed and staff be directed to post appropriate signage to alert the park users.

5. Rennie Street End-Use Plan – Temporary Rental of Old Brampton Street Yard - Ward Specific Non-Property Tax Revenues (Ward 4) (Added Item 10.1)

WHEREAS, Council approved the Rennie Street End Use Plan May 14, 2008 (PW08049) which included the conversion of the old Brampton Street Yard into a neighbourhood park and a Water/Wastewater Centre of Excellence;

WHEREAS, contractors for the Wastewater Plant Upgrades require parking space which is unavailable elsewhere in the area and this lack of construction parking/staging requirement may delay the implementation of the neighbourhood park;

WHEREAS, the revenue from the rental costs of utilizing this parking space has been estimated at \$500,000;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Parking Rental Revenues, in the approximate amount of \$500,000 (\$100,000 per year for 5-years), be deposited to the Ward 4 Councillor's Non-Property Tax Revenue Account (#3301609604) to be used towards local neighbourhood improvements in, but not limited to, the following areas:

- (a) Brampton St – Woodward Ave to Red Hill Valley Trail
- (b) Rennie St – Woodward Ave to east end
- (c) Barnaby St – Rennie St to Brampton St
- (d) Corbett St – Rennie St to Brampton St
- (e) Quebec St – Rennie St to Brampton St
- (f) Waterloo St – Rennie St to Brampton St

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES (Item A)

Chair VanderBeek recognized Hamilton Water staff for their participation in a Walk-a-thon held on March 22nd, 2017 to raise funds in support of the Ancaster Rotary Club's *Haiti Water for Life* project. This project raised \$26,300 this year to build wells so that people in Haiti can access safe, clean water. Chair VanderBeek called Mr. Roy Sheldrick, with the Ancaster Rotary Club, and Ward Councillor 12 Councillor, Lloyd Ferguson, to the podium for the cheque presentation.

Chair VanderBeek presented the Regional Employer of the Year award and the Employer of the Year award for the *Smart Commute* program to Hamilton Health Sciences (HHS). The Award recognizes outstanding commitment, leadership, innovation and results in active and sustainable travel. Chair VanderBeek called Rebekah Jackson-Gravelly, Aaron Levo and Leslie Lamont from HHS to the podium for the award presentation.

(b) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda.

1. MOTIONS

- 9.2 Recreation Centre/Community Hub at former Prince Philip School

This motion is being withdrawn as it has been dealt with at the March 29, 2017 Council meeting.

2. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

- 10.1 Rennie Street End-Use Plan – Temporary Rental of Old Brampton Street Yard - Ward Specific Non-Property Tax Revenues (Ward 4)

3. GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 Item considered complete and to be removed from the Outstanding Business List:

(b) Disability Identification

This item was addressed at the March 23, 2017 meeting of the General Issues Committee.

11.2 Item on the Outstanding Business List requiring a revised due date:

(b) Comprehensive Plan to Improve Road Safety
Current Date: March 20, 2017
Revised Due Date: May 15, 2017

The Agenda for the April 3, 2017 meeting of the Public Works Committee was approved, as amended.

(c) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

(d) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)

(i) March 20, 2017 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of the March 20, 2017 Public Works Committee meeting were approved, as presented.

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Everyone Rides Initiative Pilot Project (PW16086(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.4) (Item 5.4)

Report PW16086(a) respecting the Everyone Rides Initiative Pilot Project was referred back to staff for an updated report, which is to include information about the SoBi bicycle replacement reserve.

The request for an updated report respecting the Everyone Rides Initiative Pilot Project (PW16086(a)) was that it be accompanied by a presentation.

(ii) Minutes of the Hamilton Cycling Committee (Item 5.5)

(a) Hamilton Cycling Committee – November 2, 2016 (Item 5.5(a))

The Minutes of Hamilton Cycling Committee dated November 2, 2016, were received.

(b) Hamilton Cycling Committee – January 4, 2017 (Item 5.5(b))

The Minutes of Hamilton Cycling Committee dated January 4, 2017, were received.

(iii) Minutes of the Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee – February 21, 2017 (Item 5.6)

The Minutes of Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee dated February 21, 2017, were received.

(f) MOTIONS (Item 9)

(i) Removal of the Leash-Free/Free-Running Designation at Little John Park (Item 9.1)

Chair VanderBeek relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chair Ferguson in order to introduce Item 9.1.

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 4.

Councillor VanderBeek then assumed the Chair.

(ii) Recreation Centre/Community Hub at the former Prince Philip School (Item 9.2)

The motion respecting the Recreation Centre/Community Hub at the former Prince Philip School, was WITHDRAWN as the matter was dealt with at the March 29, 2017 Council meeting.

(g) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

(i) Rennie Street End-Use Plan – Temporary Rental of Old Brampton Street Yard - Ward Specific Non-Property Tax Revenues (Ward 4) (Added Item 10.1)

Councillor Merulla introduced the following Notice of Motion:

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The rules of order were waived to allow for the introduction of a motion respecting the Rennie Street End-Use Plan – Temporary Rental of Old Brampton Street Yard - Ward Specific Non-Property Tax Revenues (Ward 4).

For disposition of this matter, refer to Item 5.

(h) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

(i) Items Considered Complete and to be removed from the Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

The following items were considered complete and removed from the Outstanding Business List:

- (i) Cannon Street Bi-Directional Cycle Track Pilot Project (Item 5.3 of today's agenda)

- (ii) Disability Identification (dealt with at the March 23, 2017 meeting of the General Issues Committee)

**(ii) Items on the Outstanding Business List requiring a revised due date:
(Item 11.2)**

The due date of the following items on the Outstanding Business List were revised:

- (i) Retaining Walls on Guildwood Drive
Current Due Date: April 3, 2017
Revised Due Date: May 15, 2017
- (ii) Comprehensive Plan to Improve Road Safety
Current Due Date: March 20, 2017
Revised Due Date: May 15, 2017

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

There being no further business, the Public Works Committee adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor A. VanderBeek
Chair, Public Works Committee

Lauri Leduc
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Office of the City Clerk