

CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

Public Works Committee Date: August 16, 2018

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR S. MERULLA.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR L. FERGUSON.....

Expediting Approvals and Permits for Odour Mitigation at the Central Composting Facility

WHEREAS, City Council has maintained an adequate capital budget for necessary upgrades to the Central Composting Facility since its commissioning in 2006;

WHEREAS, on October 31, 2016, City Council directed staff to investigate opportunities to improve odour control at the facility;

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2017, City Council supported the pilot testing and implementation of a long-term odour mitigation solution in the form of carbon filters;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton's Central Composting Facility had a high number of odour complaints in May and June of 2018;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton voluntarily shut down the Central Composting Facility and stopped receiving organic waste until an odour control solution is found; and,

WHEREAS, City Council approved a capital budget of approximately \$2,600,000 for a variety of measures including odour control management upgrades at the Central Composting Facility.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That City of Hamilton staff be directed to work with both the Hamilton District and the Environmental Approvals Branch of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, to expedite any issuance of permits or approvals that may be required to implement any short-term and/or long-term odour mitigation solutions, as identified by the City for the Central Composting Facility; and,
- (b) That the Mayor correspond with the Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, requesting that any permits and/or approvals for odour mitigation solutions at the Central Composting Facility, be expedited.