



Hamilton

# INFORMATION REPORT

<b>TO:</b>	Chair and Members Public Works Committee
<b>COMMITTEE DATE:</b>	April 29, 2019
<b>SUBJECT/REPORT NO:</b>	Inclusion of Claremont Access in HSR Route Rationalization Study - (Re)envision the HSR Update (PW19034) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item)
<b>WARD(S) AFFECTED:</b>	City Wide
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## COUNCIL DIRECTION

At the General Issues Committee (GIC) meeting on November 25, 2016, staff were directed to:

- a) report back to the General Issues Committee during the 2017 budget process respecting the “obstacles” preventing cyclists from receiving “free” lifts up and down the mountain accesses;
- b) HSR staff include the Claremont Access in the HSR Route Rationalization Study that will be forthcoming to a future Public Works Committee meeting.

## INFORMATION

This Information Report addresses item (b), that HSR staff include the Claremont Access in the HSR Route Rationalization Study that will be forthcoming to a future Public Works Committee meeting.

Between the November 25, 2016 GIC meeting and today, the Transit Division has undergone significant change to its structure, its leadership team, and its service delivery. Much progress has been made with Council’s investment in the 10-year local transit strategy to make transit a first choice for many past, present, and future riders.

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The 2017 budget process saw a deferral of year three (3) of the 10-year strategy due to the delay in the announcement of the Public Transit Infrastructure Fund (PTIF), and a subsequent investment of \$72 million (\$36 million municipal contribution) towards more than 14 transit-related improvement products. As such, staff did not make significant changes to routes and schedules in 2017; therefore, the Claremont Access was deferred to staff preparations for the 2018 budget process.

During the 2018 budget process, Council approved the Transit Division's (Re)envision the HSR Initiative – a two-year project with partners at McMaster University's Civil Engineering Department. The direction from GIC for staff to include the Claremont Access in the HSR Route Rationalization Study (renamed to (Re)envision the HSR) is being implemented through the (Re)envision the HSR project.

Project results are scheduled to be presented to Council in March 2020.

Staff have met with community stakeholders, including Friendly Streets, the Beasley Neighbourhood Association, Environment Hamilton, and Hamilton Health Sciences to discuss the topic of this Information Report and have advised the groups to put forth their perceptions and desires through the (Re)envision project / process.

**APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED**

Appendix A – Progress to-date on the (Re)envision the HSR Initiative