



CITIZEN COMMITTEE REPORT

To:	Chair and Members Public Works Committee
From:	Hamilton Cycling Committee – Chair
Date:	November 6, 2019
Re:	Website Domain Transfer (www.cyclehamilton.ca)

Recommendation:

That ownership of the website domain www.cyclehamilton.ca be transferred from the City of Hamilton to Cycle Hamilton, conditional upon Cycle Hamilton's agreement that a link to the City of Hamilton's cycling web page will be maintained, that the annual renewal fee payable to the registrar will be assumed by Cycle Hamilton, and that the website domain will be transferred back to the City of Hamilton in the event that Cycle Hamilton ceases to exist.

Background:

The City of Hamilton currently owns the domain, www.cyclehamilton.ca and is maintained by the IT Division. The non-for-profit organization, Cycle Hamilton, has requested to take ownership of the domain name. This request was brought forward to Staff and the Hamilton Cycling Committee members. Committee members spoke in favour of transferring the domain name with the following conditions:

- Cycle Hamilton's agrees that a link to the City of Hamilton's cycling web page will be maintained;
- That the annual renewal fee payable to the registrar will be assumed by Cycle Hamilton and;
- That the website domain will be transferred back to the City of Hamilton in the event that Cycle Hamilton ceases to exist.

Analysis/Rationale:

When the City obtained the domain www.cyclehamilton.ca the non-for-profit organization, Cycle Hamilton, did not exist. Cycle Hamilton has been active in Hamilton since 2015 and has asked Staff for the domain www.cyclehamilton.ca to be transferred to them.

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The domain, www.cyclehamilton.ca, is currently not in use by the City and has a re-direct domain, which re-directs users to the City of Hamilton's cycling website www.hamilton.ca/streets-transportation/biking-cyclists (shortened link www.hamilton.ca/cycling).