

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

General Issues Committee (Budget): January 28, 2021

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR A. VANDERBEEK.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR B. CLARK.....

Increased Municipal Law and Parking Enforcement in the Waterfall Areas Across the City – Pilot Program

WHEREAS, City Council, at its March 27, 2019 meeting, approved the creation of a multi-disciplinary working group to conduct a comprehensive, multi-faceted investigation of public safety and the negative impacts to the Greensville and Dundas neighbourhoods associated with the increase in visitors to Webster and Tews Falls and the Dundas Peak;

WHEREAS, this multi-disciplinary working group continues to meet regularly and in consultation with the Ward 13 Councillor, to troubleshoot the continuing problems in residential areas in the vicinities of Webster and Tews Falls and the Dundas Peak;

WHEREAS, the Hamilton Conservation Authority's shuttle-bus operation was suspended during 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, despite many City Council approved regulations and increased fines, regular enforcement, and other improvement measures being enacted/conducted, as well as a reservation system being tested by the Hamilton Conservation Authority, increased visitors to Webster and Tews Falls and the Dundas Peak continue to have negative impacts on area residents;

WHEREAS, requests for by-law enforcement at other Hamilton Waterfall areas continue to increase;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the General Manager of Planning and Economic Development be directed to report back to the General Issues Committee, during the 2021 Operating budget process, with options and costing for a pilot program involving increased Municipal Law and Parking Enforcement service levels in the waterfall areas across the City where challenges have been identified on weekends from March 15, 2021 through to November 15, 2021, with that report to include a 3 year overview of the net revenues generated through Waterfall parking enforcement in these areas.