



## PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT 21-009

1:30 p.m.  
Monday, June 14, 2021  
Council Chambers  
Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West

**Present:** Councillors A. VanderBeek (Chair), N. Nann (Vice-Chair), C. Collins, J.P. Danko, J. Farr, L. Ferguson, T. Jackson, E. Pauls and M. Pearson

**Absent with**

**Regrets:** Councillor T. Whitehead – Leave of Absence  
Councillor S. Merulla – Personal

**Also Present:** Councillor J. Partridge

### THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 21-009 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

**1. Intersection Control List (PW21001(c)) (Wards 6, 9, 11 and 13) (Item 7.1)**

That the appropriate By-law be presented to Council to provide traffic control as follows:

Intersection			Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
Section "C" Flamborough							
(a)	Harvest Road	Forest Avenue	SB	All	B	AWS conversion during Hwy 8 closure	13
(b)	Harvest Road	Tews Lane	SB	All	B	AWS conversion during Hwy	13

Intersection			Stop Control Direction		Class	Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested				
						8 closure	
Section “D” Glanbrook							
(c)	Idlewilde Lane	Kopperfield Lane	SB	NB/SB	A	Missing stop control, road extension	11
(d)	Idlewilde Lane	Kellogg Avenue	NC	SB	A	Missing stop control, road extension	11
Section “E” Hamilton							
(e)	Wise Crescent	Grenadier Drive (north intersection)	NC	EB	A	Missing stop control	6
Section “F” Stoney Creek							
(f)	Amberwood Street	Canfield Court	NB	All	A	AWS conversion, Cllr approved	9
(g)	Paramount Drive	Kingsview Drive	EB/WB	All	B	AWS conversion through road recon.	9
(h)	Paramount Drive	Audubon Street South	SB	All	B	AWS conversion through road recon.	9

**Legend**

No Control Existing (New Subdivision) - **NC**

Intersection Class: **A** - Local/Local **B** - Local/Collector **C** - Collector/Collector

**2. Consent Items (Item 7)**

(a) That Consent Items 7.2 and 7.3(a) to 7.3(c) be received, as presented:

- (i) **Sewer Use By-law Program 2020 Annual Update (PW21036) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)**
- (ii) **Various Advisory Committee Minutes: (Item 7.3)**

- (1) Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee Meeting Minutes - March 16, 2021 (Item 7.3(a))**
- (2) Keep Hamilton Clean and Green Committee Meeting Notes - May 4, 2021 (Item 7.3(b))**
- (3) Hamilton Cycling Committee Meeting Minutes - March 3, 2021 (Item 7.3(c))**

**3. Enhanced Inspection and Monitoring - Hamilton Water and Wastewater (PW21019) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

That Report PW21019, respecting Enhanced Inspection and Monitoring - Hamilton Water and Wastewater, be received.

**4. Road Safety Review and Appropriate Measures at the York Road and Newman Road Intersection (PW20071(a)/PED20196(a)) (Ward 13) (Item 10.1)**

- (a) That the concept of a new roundabout at York Road and the Highway 6 ramp Terminal, which is being studied as part of an on-going design project by the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to address existing operational issues at the York Road off-ramp, be endorsed in principle as a design solution for this intersection;
- (b) That the City request the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to consider a design alternative for the roundabout that incorporates a left turn lane in the westbound direction at Newman Road to improve existing and future operations at this intersection;
- (c) That the estimated incremental cost of \$45,000 to expand the scope of the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) led design for the roundabout to include a left turn lane at York Road and Newman Road be funded through existing Capital Funds Project ID 4662020522 – Traffic Engineering – Signal Design 2020 and appropriated to the new Project ID 4662220522 – Transportation Engineering Design; and,
- (d) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**5. Concrete Curbs on Cannon Street (Hamilton Cycling Committee - Citizen Committee Report) (Item 10.2)**

- (a) That the rubber barriers and knock down bollards, located along the Cannon Street Cycle Track, be replaced with concrete curbs in locations where permanent curbs have not already been installed; and,

- (b) That Cannon Street Cycle Track barriers between James Street North and Hess Street North be replaced.

**6. Installation of Traffic Calming Measures on Mount Pleasant Drive, Hamilton (Ward 6) (Item 11.1)**

WHEREAS, the residents of Mount Pleasant Drive have submitted a 31-page petition for the installation of speed cushions on Mount Pleasant Drive to address roadway safety concerns as a result of speeding, cut-through traffic;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Transportation Operations and Maintenance staff be authorized and directed to install traffic calming measures on Mount Pleasant Drive (4 speed cushions) as part of the 2021 Traffic Calming program (Fall Application);
- (b) That all costs associated with the installation of traffic calming measures be funded from the Ward 6 Minor Maintenance Account at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$25,000; and,
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**7. Gypsy Moth Control Program (City Wide) (Item 11.2)**

WHEREAS, European Gypsy Moth (*Lymantria dispar dispar*) is a non-native, invasive pest to Ontario that defoliates many tree species;

WHEREAS, year on year defoliation of the trees by the European Gypsy Moth caterpillars may lead to tree mortality; and,

WHEREAS, areas of the City of Hamilton are currently experiencing infestations of European Gypsy Moth;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to monitor European Gypsy Moth outbreaks in the City of Hamilton, including, but not limited to, rural areas, through egg mass counts in 2021 and develop a 2022 control program and report back to the Public Works Committee for approval; and,
- (b) That staff be directed to create a Capital funding detail sheet for a European Gypsy Moth Control Program to be considered as part of the 2022 capital budget process in preparation for aerial spraying and / or other methods of control the Spring of 2022.

**8. James Street North Boulevard Conversion & Street Tree Planting (Ward 2)  
(Item 11.3)**

WHEREAS, there is interest from Ward 2 residents in increasing the urban tree canopy on James Street North; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has declared a climate emergency and tree planting and increasing the urban tree canopy provides many environmental benefits to the residents of the City of Hamilton such as, reducing heat island effects, reducing storm water peak flow, improving air quality and supporting biodiversity;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That staff be directed to remove the City owned asphalt boulevard surface between 529 and 539 James Street North and install street trees and sod at a cost of \$35,700 to be funded from Ward 2 Capital Re-Investment Discretionary Fund (#3302109200); and,
- (b) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**9. Improving Truck Route Detouring during Construction Closures (Item 11.4)**

WHEREAS, a recent truck route detour submitted by a third-party contractor and signed off on by City of Hamilton Public Works staff failed to prevent many large trucks from entering residential streets in the North End;

WHEREAS, trucks that ignored detour sign notices and pylons and entered the residential streets created grave public safety concerns for residents who, along with their ward councillor, regularly witnessed large trucks manoeuvre through narrow passages, tight turns and one truck even downed power lines;

WHEREAS, no confirmed enforcement appeared to be in place ahead of the construction project. Instead, enforcement appeared only to be requested as a reaction to the unsafe disruption caused by the illegal cut-throughs by trucks. By that time, limited police resources prevented any consistent enforcement practice. This despite what appears to be a policy of required police enforcement for only some types of construction works in Hamilton and not others; and,

WHEREAS, having a proper and proactive detour plan that covers all eventualities including, but not limited to trucks cutting through residential neighbourhoods, is sound public safety policy;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the appropriate City of Hamilton staff from Public Works be requested to investigate and report back to Public Works Committee on how the detour plan failed the residents of the North End Neighbourhood during the weekdays of June 7<sup>th</sup> through the 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and related to the CN rail repairs that closed Wellington Street North; and,
- (b) That the appropriate City of Hamilton staff from Public Works be requested to report back on measures to enhance the detour process thus ensuring proactive public safety and that for future, no trucks ever have an option to illegally cut through a residential neighbourhood during a construction detour period; as is the rule at any other time.

**10. Purchase of 5 Digital Speed Signs (DSS) for Ward 7 (Item 11.5)**

WHEREAS, there is an increase in residents requesting the installation of DSS boards throughout Ward 7 to address roadway safety concerns as a result of speeding, cut-through traffic; and,

WHEREAS, there are growing resource impacts on Transportation Operations and Maintenance for equipment;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Transportation Operations and Maintenance staff be authorized and directed to purchase 5 digital speed sign (DSS) boards for use throughout Ward 7, at the discretion of the Ward 7 Councillor;
- (b) That all costs associated with the purchase of 5 digital speed sign (DSS) boards be funded from the Ward 7 Capital Re-Investment Discretionary Fund (#3302109700) at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$20,000; and,
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**FOR INFORMATION:**

**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 2)**

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

**12. NOTICES OF MOTION**

12.1 Investment in Churchill Park (Ward 1)

12.2 Investment in HAAA Park Fieldhouse (Ward 1)

The agenda for the June 14, 2021 Public Works Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)**

There were no declarations of interest.

**(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)**

**(i) May 31, 2021 (Item 4.1)**

The Minutes of the May 31, 2021 meeting of the Public Works Committee were approved, as presented.

**(d) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)**

**(i) Enhanced Inspection and Monitoring - Hamilton Water and Wastewater (PW21019) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

Andrew Grice, Director, Hamilton Water, addressed Committee respecting Report PW21019, Enhanced Inspection and Monitoring - Hamilton Water and Wastewater, with the aid of a presentation.

The presentation, respecting Report PW21019, Enhanced Inspection and Monitoring - Hamilton Water and Wastewater, was received.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

**(e) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)**

**(i) Road Safety Review and Appropriate Measures at the York Road and Newman Road Intersection (PW20071(a)/PED20196(a)) (Ward 13) (Item 10.1)**

Councillor VanderBeek relinquished the Chair to Councillor Nann.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 4.

Councillor VanderBeek assumed the Chair.

**(f) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 12)**

Councillor Nann introduced the following Notice of Motion:

**(i) Investment in Churchill Park (Ward 1) (Added Item 12.1)**

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton owned fieldhouse facilities in Ward 1 are maintained by the City of Hamilton's Facilities Operations & Maintenance Section of the Energy, Fleet & Facilities Management Division, Public Works;

WHEREAS, many of the current fieldhouses in Ward 1 need lifecycle repair and accessibility upgrades;

WHEREAS, flexible community space will enhance all season programming at Churchill Park, and will draw more users to the Park; and,

WHEREAS, Churchill Park has been identified by the community as a priority facility in need of improved accessibility, including accessible washrooms to support the Clubhouse users;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

- (a) That Public Works Facilities staff be authorized and directed to retain a Prime Design Consultant to undertake both a feasibility study of accessibility improvements, as well as a Cultural Heritage Study, of Churchill Park, to determine recommendations for upgrades to support the community and programming uses;
- (b) That the funding for the feasibility study of accessibility improvements, as well as a Cultural Heritage Study, of Churchill Park, at a cost of \$150,000, to be funded from the Ward 1 Area Rating Reserve Account (108051) be approved; and,
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Councillor Nann introduced the following Notice of Motion:

**(ii) Investment in HAAA Park Fieldhouse (Ward 1) (Added Item 12.2)**

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton owned fieldhouse facilities in Ward 1 are maintained by the City of Hamilton's Facilities Operations & Maintenance Section of the Energy, Fleet & Facilities Management Division, Public Works;

WHEREAS, many of the current fieldhouses in Ward 1 need lifecycle repair and accessibility upgrades;

WHEREAS, future investments are anticipated that will include a redeveloped spray pad and playground that will draw more users to HAAA Park; and,



WHEREAS, HAAA Fieldhouse has been identified by the community as a priority facility in need of improved accessibility to support the users of the playground, spray pad, and other park amenities;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Public Works Facilities staff be authorized and directed to retain a Prime Design Consultant to undertake a feasibility study of accessibility improvements, including a Cultural Heritage Assessment, of the HAAA Fieldhouse, to support the community, programming, and anticipated increased use after future investments in park infrastructure;
- (b) That the funding for the feasibility study of accessibility improvements, including a Cultural Heritage Assessment, of the HAAA Fieldhouse, at a cost of \$150,000, to be funded from the Ward 1 Area Rating Reserve Account (108051) be approved; and,
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

**(g) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)**

**(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 13.1)**

The following amendments to the Public Works Committee's Outstanding Business List, were approved:

- (a) Items Considered Complete and Needing to be Removed:
  - (i) Enhanced Inspections and Monitoring - Hamilton Water and Wastewater  
Addressed as Item 8.1 on today's agenda - Report PW21019  
Item on OBL: ABB
  - (ii) Road Safety Review and Appropriate Measures at the York Road and Newman Road Intersection  
Addressed as Item 10.1 on today's agenda - Report PW20071(a)/PED20196(a)  
Item on OBL: AAE
- (b) Items Requiring a New Due Date:
  - (i) Stormwater Gap Evaluation  
Item on OBL: ABM  
Current Due Date: July 7, 2021

Proposed New Due Date: September 10, 2021

**(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)**

There being no further business, the Public Works Committee adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor A. VanderBeek  
Chair, Public Works Committee

Alicia Davenport  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk