

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Council: April 13, 2022

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. FARR.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Amending By-law for the Removal of Strachan Street Free Running Area, and Temporary Inclusion of Jackie Washington Rotary Park Leash Free - Free Running Area (Ward 2)

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Recreational Trails Master Plan (2016) recommends pathway and boulevard upgrades along Strachan Street East and the City of Hamilton Cycling Master Plan Review and Update (2018) proposes 660m of paved Multi-Use Recreational Trail along Strachan Street East between James Street North and Ferguson Avenue and as such, the Strachan Street East Multi-Use Recreational Trail constructed in 2021;

WHEREAS, as a result of the Strachan Street East Multi-Use Recreational Trail alignment, the Strachan Street General Open Space is no longer in compliance with the Leash Free Parks Program Policy (PW03067) and requires removal of the leash free designation at this site (a portion of the East end of 51-134 Strachan Street);

WHEREAS, Council enacted a by-law for responsible animal ownership being City of Hamilton By-law 12-031, as amended;

WHEREAS, this By-law provides for the addition of a Leash Free Park to subsection 7.4(a) of By-law 12-031, as amended;

WHEREAS, an amendment to By-law 12-031, as amended, is required to remove Strachan Street General Open Space as an approved leash free park – free running area;

WHEREAS, a replacement leash free park location is to be constructed at Central Park (171 Bay Street North, Ward 2);

WHEREAS, a temporary leash free park to serve Ward 2 constituents is required until Central Park is complete, and a portion of Jackie Washington Rotary Park located at 371 Wellington Street North meets most of the criteria for a leash free – free running area as set out in the Leash Free Parks Program Policy (PW03067);

WHEREAS, the community was provided an opportunity to express interest, questions and concerns through Engage Hamilton, regarding a portion of Jackie Washington Rotary Park as a potential leash free park location, and 88% of the 225 respondents were either in favour or indifferent to this proposal; and,

WHEREAS, an amendment to By-law 12-031, as amended, is required to include a leash free – free running location (named Ward 2 Temporary Leash Free – Free Running Area) in Jackie Washington Rotary Park;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That By-law 12-031, as amended, be further amended to:
 - (i) Remove Strachan Street General Open Space Leash Free – Free Running Area; and
 - (ii) Include the leash free-free running area in Jackie Washington Rotary Park as the Ward 2 Temporary Leash Free – Free Running Area, as indicated in Appendix “A” (Map of proposed Temporary Leash Free – Free Running Area in Jackie Washington Rotary Park);
- (b) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to prepare the appropriate by-law to amend By-law 12-031, as amended, a By-law for Responsible Animal Ownership, in the City of Hamilton, to remove Strachan Street General Open Space Leash Free – Free Running Area and include the Ward 2 Temporary Leash Free – Free Running Area in Jackie Washington Rotary Park.



Leash Free - Free Running Area

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**Ward 2 Temporary Leash Free - Free Running Area
In Jackie Washington Rotary Park**

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