



**LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SUB-COMMITTEE
MINUTES 22-001**

10:30 a.m.

Monday, May 16, 2022

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Councillors M. Wilson (Vice-Chair), J.P. Danko, L. Ferguson,
S. Merulla, N. Nann, R. Powers

**Absent with
Regrets:** Mayor F. Eisenberger (Chair), Councillor J. Farr

**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO GENERAL ISSUES COMMITTEE
FOR CONSIDERATION:**

1. Appointment of Committee Vice-Chair for 2022 (Item 1)

(Merulla/Nann)

That Councillor M. Wilson be appointed as Vice-Chair of the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee for 2022.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger

YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson

NOT PRESENT - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr

YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann

YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla

YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers

YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko

YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

**2. Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update (PED22117) (City Wide)
(Item 8.1)**

(Nann/Powers)

That Report PED22117, respecting Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
NOT PRESENT - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

5. COMMUNICATIONS

- 5.1 Correspondence from the Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Promoting Affordable Housing in Transit-Oriented Development

Recommendation: Be received

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 6.3 Delegation Requests respecting Inclusionary Zoning (for today's meeting)

6.3.a. Anica Rak, ACORN (Video Submission)
6.3.b. Liz Scott, ACORN (Video Submission)
6.3.c. Marnie Schurter, ACORN (Video Submission)
6.3.d. Elizabeth McMicking, ACORN (Video Submission)

- 6.4 Eshan Merali, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Lack of Community Benefits in the LRT Project

- 6.5 Koubra Hagggar, Centre for Civic Inclusion respecting the Hamilton LRT and Affordable Housing (Video Submission)

- 6.6 Nicole Smith, Kumon Hamilton West End respecting Support for LRT

(Powers/Nann)

That the agenda for the May 16, 2022 Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
NOT PRESENT - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) September 12, 2017 (Item 4.1)

(Merulla/Ferguson)

That the Minutes of the September 12, 2017 meeting of the Public Works Committee be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
NOT PRESENT - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(i) Correspondence from Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Promoting Affordable Housing in Transit-Oriented Development (Item 5.1)

(Danko/Merulla)

That the Correspondence from Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Promoting Affordable Housing in Transit-Oriented Development, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
NOT PRESENT - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(Merulla/Nann)

That the following Delegation Requests, be approved for today's meeting:

- (i) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton respecting LRT Operations (for today's meeting) (Item 6.1)
- (ii) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Affordable Housing and Hamilton LRT (for today's meeting) (Item 6.2)
- (iii) Delegation Requests respecting Inclusionary Zoning (for today's meeting) (item 6.3)
 - (a) Anica Rak, ACORN (Video Submission) (Item 6.3(a))
 - (b) Liz Scott, ACORN (Video Submission) (Item 6.3(b))
 - (c) Marnie Schurter, ACORN (Video Submission) (Item 6.3(c))
 - (d) Elizabeth McMicking, ACORN (Video Submission) (Item 6.3(d))
- (iv) Eshan Merali, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Lack of Benefits in the LRT Project (item 6.4)
- (v) Koubra Hagggar, Centre for Civic Inclusion respecting the Hamilton LRT and Affordable Housing (Video Submission) (Item 6.5)

- (vi) Nicole Smith, Kumon Hamilton West End respecting Support for LRT (Item 6.6)

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
NOT PRESENT - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

(f) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

- (i) **Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update (PED22117) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

Abdul Shaikh, Director, Hamilton LRT Project Office, addressed Committee respecting Report PED22117, Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Nann/Powers)

That the presentation respecting Report PED22117, Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 6 to 0, as follows:

NOT PRESENT - Chair - Mayor Fred Eisenberger
YES - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
NOT PRESENT - Ward 2 Councillor Jason Farr
YES - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
YES - Ward 4 Councillor Sam Merulla
YES - Ward 5 Councillor Russ Powers
YES - Ward 8 Councillor John-Paul Danko
YES - Ward 12 Councillor Lloyd Ferguson

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2.

(ii) Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update (PED22118) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

Abdul Shaikh, Director, Hamilton LRT Project Office, addressed Committee respecting Report PED22118, Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee recessed for 15 minutes until 11:59 p.m. due to loss of quorum.

Due to a conflict between the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee's Terms of Reference and the Procedural By-law, with regards to quorum, the following highlighted items are referred to the June 1, 2022 General Issues Committee meeting for consideration:

- (1) That the presentation respecting Report PED22118, Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update, be received.
- (2) That Report PED22118, respecting Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Design Update, be received.

(iii) Direction to Light Rail Transit Staff to Meet with the Hamilton Community Benefits Network (Added Item 11.1)

- (3) That Light Rail Transit staff be directed to meet with the Hamilton Community Benefits Network to identify where in the process moving forward they can participate in the definition of Community Benefits outcomes to be achieved through the Light Rail Transit project in Hamilton.

(g) PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS (Item 9)

(i) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton respecting LRT Operations (Item 9.1)

Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, addressed the Committee respecting LRT Operations.

(ii) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Affordable Housing and Hamilton LRT Item 9.2)

- (4) That Karl Andrus be granted an additional 2.5 minutes, beyond the 5-minute time limit, to complete their delegation respecting Affordable Housing and Hamilton LRT.

Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, addressed the Committee respecting Affordable Housing and Hamilton LRT with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(iii) Delegations respecting Inclusionary Zoning (Item 9.3)

The following individuals addressed the Committee by pre-recorded video respecting Inclusionary Zoning:

- (a) Anica Rak, ACORN - Video Delegation (Item 9.3(a))
- (b) Liz Scott, ACORN - Video Delegation (Item 9.3(b))
- (c) Marnie Schurter, ACORN - Video Delegation (Item 9.3(c))
- (d) Elizabeth McMicking, ACORN - Video Delegation (Item 9.3(d))

(iv) Eshan Merali, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Lack of Community Benefits in the LRT Project (Item 9.4)

Eshan Merali, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, addressed the Committee respecting Lack of Community Benefits in the LRT Project with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(iv) Nicole Smith, Kumon Hamilton West End respecting Support for LRT (Item 9.5)

Nicole Smith, Kumon Hamilton West End, addressed the Committee respecting Support for LRT.

(vi) Koubra Hagggar, Centre for Civic Inclusion respecting the Hamilton LRT and Affordable Housing - Video Delegation (Item 9.6)

Koubra Hagggar, Centre for Civic Inclusion addressed the Committee by pre-recorded video respecting Inclusion respecting the Hamilton LRT and Affordable Housing.

(5) That the following delegations, be received:

- (i) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton respecting LRT Operations (Item 9.1)

- (ii) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Affordable Housing and Hamilton LRT (Item 9.2)
- (iii) Delegation by pre-recorded video respecting Inclusionary Zoning (Item 9.3)
 - (a) Anica Rak, ACORN (Video Submission) (Item 9.3(a))
 - (b) Liz Scott, ACORN (Video Submission) (Item 9.3(b))
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 - (d) Elizabeth McMicking, ACORN (Video Submission) (Item 9.3(d))
- (iv) Eshan Merali, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Lack of Benefits in the LRT Project (Item 9.4)
- (v) Koubra Hagggar, Centre for Civic Inclusion respecting the Hamilton LRT and Affordable Housing (Video Submission) (Item 9.5)
- (vi) Nicole Smith, Kumon Hamilton West End respecting Support for LRT (Item 9.6)

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

- (6) That there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor M. Wilson, Vice-Chair,
Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee

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Legislative Coordinator
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