



**LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SUB-COMMITTEE
MINUTES 23-002**

10:00 a.m.
Friday, June 2, 2023
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present: Mayor A. Horwath, Councillors M. Wilson (Chair), N. Nann (Vice-Chair) C. Cassar, J.P. Danko, M. Francis, T. Hwang and C. Kroetsch

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

1. Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Governance Frameworks and Design Update (PED23139) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Danko/Nann)

That Report PED21139, respecting Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Governance Frameworks and Design Update, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
 Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
 Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
 Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
 Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
 Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
 Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
 Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

2. Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Agreements Update (PED23150) (City Wide) (Item 9.1)

(Nann/Horwath)

That Report PED23150, respecting Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Agreements Update, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 6.1 Emily Power respecting Justice for Tenants Displaced by Metrolinx Building Demolitions and the Need for Affordable Housing (for today's meeting)
- 6.2 Sara Mayo respecting Keeping LRT on track to bring benefits to low income residents: 'Pro-Poor Growth' framework and indicators (for today's meeting)

7. DELEGATIONS

- 7.1 Mohammed Alshalalfeh and Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (HCBN), respecting HCBN's Community Engagement Findings on Resident Aspirations and Wants for Community Benefits Related to the Project – Moved to Presentations - Item 8.2
- 7.2 Sam Nabi, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Recommendations for the Preservation and Creation of Affordable Housing in Hamilton's B-Line LRT Corridor - Moved to Presentations - Item 8.3

CHANGE TO THE ORDER OF ITEMS:

8. PRESENTATIONS

8.4 Update from Metrolinx

This agenda item is to be moved up on the agenda to be considered following Item 4.1 Approval of the Minutes of the Previous meeting.

(Hwang/Nann)

That the agenda for the June 2, 2023 Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee meeting be approved, as amended.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Not Present - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Ninder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

Councillor M. Wilson declared non-disqualifying interest to Item 8.2, respecting Mohammed Alshalafeh and Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (HCBN), respecting HCBN's Community Engagement Findings on Resident Aspirations and Wants for Community Benefits Related to the Project, and Item 8.3 respecting Sam Nabi, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Recommendations for the Preservation and Creation of Affordable Housing in Hamilton's B-Line LRT Corridor, as her husband is the President and CEO of the Hamilton Community Foundation (HCF) and HCF is a contributing funder to the charity which is the Hamilton Community Benefits Network.

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

(i) March 31, 2023 (Item 4.1)

(Cassar/Danko)

That the Minutes of the March 31, 2023 meeting of the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee be approved, as presented.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Not Present - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Yes - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

(Cassar/Danko)

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

- (i) Emily Power respecting Justice for Tenants Displaced by Metrolinx Building Demolitions and the Need for Affordable Housing (Item 6.1)
- (ii) Sara Mayo, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton respecting LRT Benefits to Low Income Residents (Item 6.2)

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(e) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)

The following delegations addressed the Committee:

- (i) Emily Power respecting Justice for Tenants Displaced by Metrolinx Building Demolitions and the Need for Affordable Housing (Item 7.1)
- (ii) Sara Mayo, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton respecting LRT Benefits to Low Income Residents (Item 7.2)

(Nann/Hwang)

That the following Delegations, be received:

- (i) Emily Power respecting Justice for Tenants Displaced by Metrolinx Building Demolitions and the Need for Affordable Housing
- (ii) Sara Mayo, Social Planning and Research Council of Hamilton respecting LRT Benefits to Low Income Residents

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(f) PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

- (i) **Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Governance Frameworks and Design Update (PED23139) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

Abdul Shaikh, Director of the Hamilton Light Rail Transit addressed the Committee respecting Report PED23139, Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Governance Frameworks and Design Update, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Hwang/Cassar)

That the Presentation from Abdul Shaikh, Director of Hamilton Light Rail Transit respecting Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Governance Frameworks and Design Update, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(ii) **Mohammed Alshalalfeh and Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (HCBN), respecting HCBN's Community Engagement Findings on Resident Aspirations and Wants for Community Benefits Related to the Project (Item 8.2)**

Mohammed Alshalalfeh and Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (HCBN), addressed the Committee respecting HCBN's Community Engagement Findings on Resident Aspirations and Wants for Community Benefits Related to the Project, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Kroetsch/Cassar)

That the presentation from Mohammed Alshalalfeh and Karl Andrus, Hamilton Community Benefits Network (HCBN), respecting HCBN's Community Engagement Findings on Resident Aspirations and Wants for Community Benefits Related to the Project, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(iii) **Sam Nabi, Hamilton Community Benefits Network respecting Recommendations for the Preservation and Creation of Affordable Housing in Hamilton's B-Line LRT Corridor (Item 8.3)**

Sam Nabi, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, addressed the Committee respecting Recommendations for the Preservation and Creation of Affordable Housing in Hamilton's B-Line LRT Corridor, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Nann/Danko)

That the presentation from Sam Nabi, Hamilton Community Benefits Network, respecting Recommendations for the Preservation and Creation of Affordable Housing in Hamilton's B-Line LRT Corridor, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(iv) Update from Metrolinx (Item 8.4)

Jason Fellen, Vice President, Hamilton Light Rail Transit and Karla Avis-Birch, Chief Planning Officer, Planning and Development, Metrolinx, addressed the Committee respecting an update from Metrolinx on the Hamilton Light Rail Transit project, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

(Horwath/Nann)

That the presentation from Jason Fellen, Vice President Hamilton Light Rail Transit and Karla Avis-Birch, Chief Planning Officer, Planning and Development, Metrolinx respecting an update from Metrolinx on the Hamilton Light Rail Transit project, be received.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(g) MOTIONS (Item 12)

(i) (Kroetsch/Nann)

That City staff be directed to report back to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee with respect to how the Metrolinx Community Benefits approach could best reflect and respond to the recommendations made in the presentations by the Hamilton Community Benefits Network at the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee meeting on June 2, 2023, including the potential to strike a community benefits working group.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(h) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 14)

(i) Amendments to the Outstanding Business List (Item 14.1)

(Nann/Cassar)

That the following amendment to the Light Rail Transit Sub-Committee's Outstanding Business List, be approved:

(1) Items Considered Complete and Needing to be Removed (Item 14.1(a)):

(i) Hamilton Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project Update
Addressed as Item 8.1 (PED21139) (today's agenda) (Item 14.1(a)(a))
Item on OBL: C

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nrinder Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(Horwath/Nann)

That there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Result: Motion CARRIED by a vote of 7 to 0, as follows:

Yes - Mayor Andrea Horwath
Yes - Ward 1 Councillor Maureen Wilson
Yes - Ward 2 Councillor Cameron Kroetsch
Yes - Ward 3 Councillor Nringer Nann
Yes - Ward 4 Councillor Tammy Hwang
Not Present - Ward 5 Councillor Matt Francis
Yes - Ward 8 Councillor John Paul Danko
Yes - Ward 12 Councillor Craig Cassar

Respectfully submitted,

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

Carrie McIntosh
Legislative Coordinator
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