



**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
REPORT 23-015**

1:30 p.m.

Monday, October 16, 2023

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Councillors N. Nann (Chair), E. Pauls (Vice-Chair), J. Beattie, C. Cassar, J.P. Danko, M. Francis, T. Hwang, T. Jackson, M. Spadafora, M. Tadeson, A. Wilson and M. Wilson

Absent with Regrets: Councillors Kroetsch and McMeekin - Personal

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Update to the City's Green Fleet Strategy and Action Plan (PW03147(g)) (City Wide) (Item 9.1)

That Report PW03147(g), respecting Update to the City's Green Fleet Strategy and Action Plan, be received.

2. Winterizing Public Washrooms - Winter Operations (PW21031(b)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business Item) (Item 11.1)

(a) That the provision of winter washrooms based on the two-year pilot program be continued;

(b) That the Public Works Department, Environmental Services Division be authorized to provide the provision of winter washroom access:

(i) at a cost of \$484,525, for the period of November 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve (#110046) and;

(ii) that the cost of \$581,430 to operationalize this as a permanent program in 2024 be referred to the 2024 Tax Budget process;

- (c) That the Public Works Department, Environmental Services Division, be authorized to provide additional locations namely Confederation Park and to switch Mountain Drive Park to a building facility instead of a port-o-let as part of the continuation of the winter washroom project:
 - (i) at a cost of \$66,900, for the period of November 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve (#110046) and;
 - (ii) that the cost for the full winter season of \$80,330 be referred to the 2024 Tax Operating budget process;
 - (d) That the Public Works Department, Environmental Services Division, be authorized to provide a temporary supervisor to support the contractor monitoring, response and inspection of winter washroom locations:
 - (i) at a cost of \$51,700, for the period of November 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 to be funded from the Tax Stabilization Reserve (#110046) and;
 - (ii) The Public Works Department, Environmental Services Division, permanent staff complement increase of a 0.5 full time employee for a winter Parks Supervisor at a cost of \$62,000, be added to the 2024 Tax Operating budget process;
 - (e) That the 6-month vehicle rental cost of \$8,000 be referred to the Public Works Department, Environmental Services Division 2024 Tax Operating budget process; and
 - (f) That Staff be directed to consider increasing the design standard for park washrooms to ensure winter access is possible for future capital new construction or reconstruction and that all fixtures be installed or replaced at the time of reconstruction as institutionally resilient products such as stainless steel.
 - (g) That, in response to public feedback, staff be directed to report back to the Public Works Committee respecting the extension of operating hours beyond daylight hours during the winter months.
- 3. New Play Equipment for Green Acres Park, Corman Park, and Valley Park (Wards 5, 9 and 10) (Item 12.1)**

WHEREAS, Green Acres Park is located at 880 Queenston Road, Hamilton, Ward 5;

WHEREAS, Valley Community Park is located at 970 Paramount Drive, Hamilton, Ward 9;

WHEREAS, Corman Park is located at 23 Teak Street, Hamilton, Ward 10;

WHEREAS, Green Acres Park is in need of a junior and senior play structure, as there is currently only a swing set at this park location;

WHEREAS, the Parks Capital Program is not currently funded for the addition or replacement of the above noted park play equipment;

WHEREAS, Valley Park and Corman Park have play structures that require replacement due to end of life condition, and the Parks budget has limited funding to replace; and

WHEREAS, the three identified parks are candidate sites for application of the Stoney Creek Compensation Royalties (Terrapure) reserve.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That \$350,000 in funding from the Stoney Creek Compensation Royalties (Terrapure) reserve #117036, not to exceed \$1,050,000 in total, be approved for new play equipment for each park as follows:
 - (i) Green Acres Park, located at 880 Queenston Road, Hamilton, Ward 5;
 - (ii) Valley Park, located at 970 Paramount Drive, Hamilton, Ward 9;
 - (iii) Corman Park, located at 23 Teak Street, Hamilton, Ward 10;
 - (b) That staff be directed to undertake community engagement through the Play Your Way-Engage Hamilton digital platform in 2024 for Green Acres Park, Corman Park, and Valley Park; and
 - (c) That the Parks section undertake the addition of new play equipment at Green Acres Park, Valley Park and Corman Park in 2025.
- 4. Removal of the Hamilton Beach Rescue Lift Located at the Hamilton Beach Strip, Adjacent to Lakeside Avenue (Ward 5) (Item 12.2)**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton Beach Rescue unit previously operated from the area at the Hamilton Beach Strip, adjacent to Lakeside Avenue;

WHEREAS, there is a remnant of a boat lift, previously used to support operations of the Hamilton Beach Rescue unit, that is no longer needed and is at its end of life;

WHEREAS, this location is ideal for the installation of beach mobility mats to create an accessible access from the parking area at Lakeside Avenue to the beach, which requires the removal of the boat lift to create the space for the improvement;

WHEREAS, the Voluntary Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit are not able assist with the removal of this infrastructure;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the removal of the Hamilton Beach Rescue Lift located at the Hamilton Beach Strip, adjacent to Lakeside Avenue, to be funded from Hamilton Beach Rescue Reserve #110005 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$4,000, be approved; and
- (b) That the General Manager of Public Works be authorized and directed to approve and execute any and all required agreements and ancillary documents, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES (Item 1)

(i) Waste Reduction Week (Item 1.1)

Chair Nann advised that the month of October is recognized as Circular Economy Month and the week of October 15th to 22nd is celebrated as Waste Reduction Week. To educate residents on the importance of waste reduction during this week, Hamilton Waste Management staff have planned several initiatives and promotion of City Facilities.

(b) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

The Committee Clerk advised that there were no changes to the Agenda.

The Agenda for the October 16, 2023 Public Works Committee meeting was approved, as presented.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

(d) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)**

(i) **October 2, 2023 (Item 4.1)**

The Minutes of the October 2, 2023 meeting of the Public Works Committee were approved, as presented.

(e) **DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)**

(i) **Cheryl Hurd respecting Cancellation of Complimentary HSR Ridership for Individuals Who are Blind (Item 6.1)**

The Delegation Request from Cheryl Hurd respecting Cancellation of Complimentary HSR Ridership for Individuals Who are Blind, was approved for a future meeting.

(f) **DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 11)**

(i) **Winterizing Public Washrooms - Winter Operations (PW21031(b)) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business Item) (Item 11.1)**

Report PW21031(b) be Winterizing Public Washrooms - Winter Operations was **amended** by adding recommendation (g), to read as follows:

(g) That, in response to public feedback, staff be directed to report back to the Public Works Committee respecting the extension of operating hours beyond daylight hours during the winter months.

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

(g) **GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 14)**

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

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

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

- (i) Winterizing Public Washrooms (14.1(a)(a))
Item on OBL: ABV
Addressed as Item 11.1 (PW21031(b)) (on today's agenda)

(2) Items Requiring a New Due Date: (Item 14.1(b)):

- (i) Implementation plan for the two-way conversion of Main Street (Item 14.1(b)(a))
Item on OBL: ACW
Current Due Date: October 30, 2023
Proposed New Due Date: November 13, 2023
- (ii) Reassessment of one-way streets (Item 14.1(b)(b))
Item on OBL: ACX
Current Due Date: October 30, 2023
Proposed New Due Date: November 13, 2023

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor N. Nann, Chair,
Public Works Committee

Carrie McIntosh
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk