

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## NOTICE OF MOTION

Council: December 13, 2023

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. WILSON.....**

**Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to Upload the Red Hill Valley Parkway and Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway to Own, Operate and Maintenance as a Provincial Highway (Ward 1)**

WHEREAS, the Red Hill Valley Parkway operates as a 9 kilometer multi-lane municipal urban freeway in length, with operating speeds of 80km/hr, an approximate Annual Average Daily Traffic of 92,000, and with 7 interchanges;

WHEREAS, The Red Hill Valley Parkway is a direct link to the Queen Elizabeth Highway which is owned and operated by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO);

WHEREAS, The Red Hill Valley Parkway connects at the south end to the Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway which is an 8 kilometer multi-lane municipal urban freeway in length, with operating speeds of 90km/hr, an approximate Annual Average Daily Traffic of 88,000, and 7 interchanges;

WHEREAS, The Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway is a direct link to Highway 403 which is owned and operated by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO);

WHEREAS, The Premier Doug Ford and Toronto Mayor Olivia Chow just announced a deal that includes oversight of two major Toronto highways; the Gardiner and the Don Valley Parkway which will be uploaded to the Provincial Government of Ontario; and

WHEREAS, The Red Hill Valley Parkway Inquiry recommended that the City of Hamilton should adopt processes for a comprehensive traffic safety approach similar to the MTO to monitor and address traffic safety issues that arise on the RHVP and LINC.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Mayor of the City of Hamilton and Government Relations Staff facilitate a meeting with the Provincial Government and Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) to begin discussions on the possibility of uploading both Parkways (Red Hill Valley Parkway and Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway) to own, operate and maintain;
- (b) That the Public Works and Planning and Economic Development Departments assist with technical details and analysis to support the possible upload by the Provincial Government and Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO); and
- (c) That the City Solicitor be directed to review the Haudenosaunee-Hamilton Red Hill Agreements and to provide a comprehensive opinion to the General Issues Committee with respect to the impact of the Haudenosaunee-Hamilton Red Hill Agreements, including any suggested steps or actions that need to be taken, in conjunction with the possible upload of the Red Hill Parkway to the Province.