



**TRANSIT AREA RATING REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE
REPORT 24-001**

10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, April 11, 2024
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

Present: Councillors C. Cassar (Chair), T. McMeekin (Vice-Chair), B. Clark,
T. Hwang, M. Tadeson, A. Wilson

THE TRANSIT AREA RATING REVIEW SUB-COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 24-001 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee Terms of Reference (Item 11.1)

That the Terms of Reference for the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee, be received.

2. HSR's (re)Designed Network (Added Item 12.1)

That Finance and Public Works staff be directed to report back to the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee in Q4 2024 with preliminary estimates based on the four scenarios outlined in the HSR's (re)Design the HSR presentation respecting Urban, Rural and Area Rating Tax impact as part of the 2025 tax policy.

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

The Committee Clerk advised the Committee of the following change to the agenda:

6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

- 6.2 Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 8.1, Overview - Transit Area Rating (for today's meeting)

The Agenda for the April 11, 2024, Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee meeting was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 3)

There were no declarations of interest.

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

(i) February 25, 2020 (Item 4.1)

The Minutes of the February 25, 2020, meeting of the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee were approved, as presented.

(d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(i) The following Communication Items were approved, as follows:

- (1) Correspondence from Maple Leaf Foods respecting Request for Increased Funding to Transit to Better Service Needs of their Facility and the Surrounding Business Park (referred from GIC Report 20-002) (Item 5.1)

Recommendation: Be received.

- (2) Correspondence from Bimbo Canada respecting Support for Improved Transit Funding in the City (referred from GIC Report 20-002) (Item 5.2)

Recommendation: Be received.

- (3) Correspondence from Mohawk College respecting Expansion of City Transit Services and Alternatives to the Current Area Rating System (referred from GIC Report 20-002) (Item 5.3)

Recommendation: Be received.

- (4) Correspondence from the Hamilton Chamber of Commerce, respecting Item 8.1, Overview - Transit Area Rating (Item 5.4)

Recommendation: Be received and referred to the consideration of Item 8.1.

(e) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 6)

- (i) The Delegation Requests were approved as follows:
 - (i) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Transit Riders Union, respecting Item 8.1, Overview - Transit Area Rating (for today's meeting) (Item 6.1)
 - (ii) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 8.1, Overview - Transit Area Rating (for today's meeting) (Added Item 6.2)

(f) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)

- (i) The following Delegations addressed Committee respecting Item 8.1 - Overview Transit Area Rating:
 - (i) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Transit Riders Union (Item 7.1)
 - (ii) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, (Item 7.2)
- (ii) The following Delegations respecting Item 8.1 – Overview Transit Area Rating, were received and referred to the consideration of Item 8.1:
 - (i) Karl Andrus, Hamilton Transit Riders Union (Item 7.1)
 - (ii) Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton, (Item 7.2)

(g) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (Item 8)

(i) Overview - Transit Area Rating (Item 8.1)

Kirk Weaver, Manager of Budgets and Fiscal Policy, and Gloria Rojas, Senior Tax Policy Advisor, addressed Committee respecting Overview – Transit Area Rating, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation from Kirk Weaver, Manager of Budgets and Fiscal Policy, and Gloria Rojas, Senior Tax Policy Advisor, respecting Overview – Transit Area Rating, was received.

(ii) (re)Design the HSR (Item 8.2)

Maureen Cosyn Heath, Director of Transit, addressed Committee respecting (re)Design the HSR, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation.

The presentation from Maureen Cosyn Heath, Director of Transit, respecting (re)Design the HSR, was received.

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

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

There being no further business, the Transit Area Rating Review Sub-Committee meeting adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor C. Cassar, Chair,
Transit Area Rating Review Sub-
Committee

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