

CITY OF HAMILTON

NOTICE OF MOTION

Public Works Committee: April 29, 2024

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. BEATTIE

SECONDED BY.....

Dewitt Road and Vicinity Cycling Infrastructure (Ward 10)

WHEREAS, the reconstruction of Dewitt Road between Barton Street and Highway 8 commenced in 2023 and is scheduled to be completed in 2024 with the installation of pavement markings and bike lanes as outstanding;

WHEREAS, the scope of the project included sanitary sewer upgrades, road reconstruction, road resurfacing, curb & sidewalk replacement, and installation of painted buffered bicycle lanes;

WHEREAS, at the August 10, 2022, Public Works Committee a motion was approved to revise the design of the bike lanes to include physical protection using precast or poured concrete curbs as recommended by a citizen committee report received from the Hamilton Cycling Advisory Committee;

WHEREAS, during project specific consultations subsequent to the August 2022 design change a number of concerns were raised by residents and other stakeholders with respect to the revised bike lane design, including but not limited to a lack of connectivity to other cycling facilities in the area;

WHEREAS, approximately 10 percent of the cycling network in Ward 10 as approved in the Cycling Master Plan has been completed to date and specifically within the vicinity of Dewitt Road there are network gaps, including on Highway 8 and Barton Street that are limiting the creation of an all ages and abilities cycling network;

WHEREAS a buffered bike lane on Dewitt Road could be enhanced to include physical protection in the future without roadway reconstruction, similar to a staged approach used for cycling facilities in other areas of the City;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) The Dewitt Road project design be reverted back to buffered bike lanes;
- (b) That the Engineering Services Division be directed to make any required project design changes to the pavement marking plans for Dewitt Road to reflect a buffered

cycling lane facility in order to finalize the construction project to be completed in 2024;

- (c) That the Transportation Division be directed to identify speed cushion locations on Dewitt Road between Barton Street and Highway 8 to promote safety and appropriate vehicle speeds in consultation with the Ward 10 Councillor's office; and
- (d) That upon the identification of speed cushion locations that the Engineering Services Division be directed to implement the installation of the speed cushions as part of the Dewitt Road reconstruction project, inclusive of funding.