

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## NOTICE OF MOTION

Public Works Committee: November 4, 2024

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR M. SPADAFORA.....**

**Report back on the Mobility Feasibility Study for the Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway (Ward 14)**

WHEREAS, Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway (LINC), completed in 1997, operates as an eight-kilometre multi-lane municipal urban freeway with an approximate 2024 Annual Average Daily Traffic of 95,000;

WHEREAS, Red Hill Valley Parkway (RHVP), completed in 2007, operates as a nine-kilometre multi-lane municipal urban freeway with an approximate 2024 Annual Average Daily Traffic of 87,000;

WHEREAS, Transportation Planning undertook a Mobility Feasibility Study to evaluate the short and long-term corridor needs of the RHVP and LINC, initiated in 2020 to assess the feasibility of widening the LINC and RHVP due to traffic volumes and linkages to Provincial Highways;

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2022, a motion was approved at General Issues Committee to suspend all further engineering and other work in connection with the proposed expansion of the Red Hill Valley Parkway;

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Feasibility Study was to inform asset management planning decisions for the parkways including long term expenditure forecasts with the goal of ensuring effective use of resources;

WHEREAS, based on exiting traffic volumes, both the LINC and RHVP are operating at or above capacity in the morning and afternoon rush hour periods;

WHEREAS, in December 2023 Council passed a motion to begin discussions with the 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; and

WHEREAS, advancement of planning and design work for the LINC is a high priority and can proceed independently from the RHVP.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) Transportation Planning and Transportation staff be directed to separate the scope of the Feasibility Study into two phases, one namely related to the Lincoln Alexander Parkway (LINC), and the other related to the Red Hill Valley Parkway (RHVP), so that works can be advanced as discrete and separate projects;
- (b) That staff be authorized and directed to report back on the technical work completed to date on the Feasibility Study, including the preliminary identification of alternatives for both the Red Hill Valley Parkway (RHVP) and Lincoln Alexander Parkway (LINC), in Q1 2025;
- (c) That staff be authorized and directed to report back on next steps to address capacity needs for the Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway, including options for widening, by Q2 2025.