

# PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT 24-015

1:30 p.m.
Monday, November 4, 2024
Council Chambers (Hybrid)
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

**Present:** A. Wilson (Acting Chair), J. Beattie, C. Cassar, J.P. Danko, M. Francis

(Virtually), T. Hwang, T. Jackson, C. Kroetsch, T. McMeekin, N. Nann,

E. Pauls, M. Tadeson and M. Wilson

**Absent with** 

**Regrets:** Councillor M. Spadafora (Chair) - Personal

# THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 24-015 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Pathway Proposal by the Rockton Lions Club at Beverly Community Park, 680 Hwy. No. 8 (Flamborough) (PW24068) (Ward 13) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 9.1)

That Report PW24068, respecting Pathway Proposal by the Rockton Lions Club at Beverly Community Park, 680 Hwy. No. 8 (Flamborough), be received.

- 2. Proposed Permanent Closure and Sale of a Portion of Sanatorium Road, Hamilton (PW24074) (Ward 14) (Item 10.1)
  - (a) That the application of the owner of 801, 820, 828, 865 & 870 Scenic Drive, Hamilton ("Applicant") to permanently close and purchase a portion of the road allowance abutting 801, 820, 828, 865 & 870 Scenic Drive ("Subject Lands"), as shown on Appendix "A" and Appendix "B", attached to Public Works Committee Report 24-015, be approved, subject to the following conditions:
    - (i) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to prepare all necessary by-laws to permanently close and sell the highway, for enactment by Council;

- (ii) The Corporate Real Estate Office of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to enter into any requisite easement agreements, right of way agreements, and/or other agreements deemed necessary to affect the orderly disposition of the Subject Lands and to proceed to sell the Subject Lands to the Applicant, as described in Report PW24074, in accordance with the City of Hamilton Sale of Land Policy By-law 14-204;
- (iii) The City Solicitor be authorized to complete the transfer of the Subject Lands to the Applicant, pursuant to an Agreement of Purchase and Sale or Offer to Purchase as negotiated by the Corporate Real Estate Office of the Planning and Economic Development Department;
- (iv) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to register a certified copy of the by-law(s) permanently closing and selling the highway in the proper land registry office;
- (v) That the City Solicitor be authorized to amend and waive such terms as they consider reasonable to give effect to this authorization and direction;
- (vi) That the Public Works Department publish any required notice of the City's intention to pass the by-laws and/or permanently sell the closed highway pursuant to the City of Hamilton Sale of Land Policy By-law 14-204;
- (vii) That the Applicant be fully responsible for the deposit of a reference plan in the proper land registry office, and that said plan be prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor to the satisfaction of the Manager, Geomatics and Corridor Management Section, and that the applicant also deposit a reproducible copy of said plan with the Manager, Geomatics and Corridor Management Section.
- (viii) That the Applicant enter into an easement agreement over the northern portion of the Subject Lands, as shown on Appendix "C" attached to Public Works Committee Report 24-015, in favour of the City for emergency services access until such time that a road is created to connect 828 Sanatorium Road, Hamilton, to Scenic Drive, Hamilton;

- (ix) That the Applicant enter into an easement agreement over the northern portion of the Subject Lands, as shown on Appendix "C" attached to Public Works Committee Report 24-015, in favour of the City to maintain the existing culvert and to allow pedestrians to connect with the existing trails within the escarpment until such time that a secondary access is created and the creek is dedicated back to the City in accordance with the conditions outlined in the approved draft plan of subdivision 25T-202008;
- (x) That the Applicant dedicate a portion of the Subject Lands, being the northern portion in Block 1 and a small portion in Block 4 on draft plan of subdivision 25T-202008, shown on Appendix "D" attached to Public Works Committee Report 24-015, back to the City of Hamilton as open space;
- (xi) That the #33 Sanatorium and #41A Mohawk HSR buses be rerouted to the satisfaction of the Manager, Transit Planning and Infrastructure; and
- (xii) That the Applicant abides by the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) special conditions in the OLT decision Case No. OLT-21-001169.

# 3. Sewage Spills from City Infrastructure – Annual Report (PW24072) (City Wide) (Item 11.1)

- (a) That the updated Hamilton Water Sewage Spills Communications
  Guideline attached as Appendix "E" to Public Works Committee Report 24015, be approved; and
- (b) That the General Manager, Public Works be authorized to approve minor updates to the Hamilton Water Sewage Spills Communications Guideline as required.

# 4. Investment in Trenholme Park Bocce Club, 135 Trenholme Crescent, Hamilton (Ward 6) (Item 12.1)

WHEREAS, the majority of City of Hamilton owned facilities and park assets (buildings) in Ward 6 are maintained by the City of Hamilton's Facilities Operations & Maintenance Section of the Corporate Facilities & Energy Management Division, Public Works Department;

WHEREAS, the Recreation Master Plan (2022) recommends no new bocce courts or dedicated bocce buildings and instead emphasizes continued communication between the City and bocce user groups to ensure safe and reasonable use of bocce support buildings;

WHEREAS, in 2023 via a motion staff were authorized and directed to retain professional services to prepare as-builts, to determine feasibility and to investigate options for extended and/or additional canopies at the current Bocce Clubhouse at Trenholme Park, 135 Trenholme Crescent, Hamilton, including a new canopy over bocce courts be funded from the Ward 6 Capital Re-Investment Reserve #108056 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$50,000;

WHEREAS, City of Hamilton's Strategic Planning, Capital and Compliance Section of the Corporate Facilities & Energy Management Division provided Project Management Services to oversee a feasibility study prepared by Grguric Architects. The study investigated various design options to provide a roofed, open-air and fire-resistant steel structure over the existing bocce courts and adjacent extended seating area, which provides protection from the sun and rain, and therefore extends the bocce playing season for the members;

WHEREAS, the feasibility study examined several building code compliant options and materials, but a steel structure was optimal for durability, longevity and safety;

WHEREAS, Councillor Jackson, Trenholme Bocce Club Members, Parks Operations, Facilities Operations, Landscape Architectural Services and Site Planning staff were engaged throughout the feasibility study process; and

WHEREAS, professional architectural and engineering services are required to prepare design drawings and specifications for the covered steel structure and associated site work, the construction tender documents and to obtain a building permit.

#### THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That staff be authorized and directed to retain Professional Services from the City's Consulting Roster to prepare a detailed design, engineering and detailed construction cost estimates, along with permits and other soft costs for the new covered steel structure, associated site work and permits at the Bocce Courts at Trenholme Park, 135 Trenholme Crescent, Hamilton, to be funded from the Ward 6 Capital Re-Investment Reserve #108056 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$180,000;

- (b) That the Capital funding request for the future construction phase of the project be submitted through the 2025 Capital Budget process; and
- (c) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

# 5. Addition of Rainbow Bench option to the City of Hamilton Commemorative Park Bench Program (City Wide) (Generated from Item 7.2)

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton operates a Commemorative Park Bench Program;

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton Parks team has designed and created a sustainable prototype park bench that contains all of the colours of the Pride Flag;

WHEREAS, the prototype park bench was installed in Waterdown in memory of Chris Owens who tragically passed away in 2021 at the age of 26; and

WHEREAS, the prototype park bench was made possible through the donation of the Valeri Family.

#### THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Environmental Services staff be authorized and directed to make a Rainbow Park Bench option available through the Commemorative Bench program when the program resumes operation;
- (b) That this option be priced to ensure full cost recovery; and
- (c) That the General Manager of Public Works or designate and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any required agreement(s) and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

#### FOR INFORMATION:

### (a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 2)

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

#### 5. COMMUNICATIONS

5.1 Correspondence from the Lake Erie Source Protection Region requesting support for the Source Protection Plan Amendments

Recommendation: Be received and referred to staff to prepare a motion for endorsement for Council's consideration on November 13, 2024.

#### 13. NOTICES OF MOTION

13.1 Report Back on the Feasibility Planning Study for the Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway (Ward 14) – REVISED

The Agenda for the November 4, 2024, Public Works 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) October 15, 2024 (Item 4.1)

The Minutes of the October 15, 2024, meeting of the Public Works Committee were approved, as presented.

#### (d) COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

The following Communication Items were approved, as presented:

(i) Correspondence from the Ontario Good Roads Association requesting support calling on the provincial government to establish an Ontario Rural Safety Program (Item 5.1)

Recommendation: be received.

(ii) Correspondence from the Lake Erie Source Protection Region requesting support for the Source Protection Plan Amendments (Item 5.2)

Recommendation: Be received and referred to staff to prepare a motion for endorsement for Council's consideration on November 13, 2024.

### (e) DELEGATIONS (Item 7)

(i) John Galer, Rockton Lions Club, respecting a permit to construct a path around the Beverly Community Centre (In Person) (Approved September 16, 2024) (Item 7.1)

John Galer, Rockton Lions Club, addressed Committee respecting a permit to construct a path around the Beverly Community Centre.

The Delegation from John Galer, Rockton Lions Club, respecting a permit to construct a path around the Beverly Community Centre, was received.

(ii) Jennifer Valeri, respecting adding the pride bench design to the commemorative benches that can be purchased in memoriam (Virtually) (Approved September 30, 2024) (Item 7.2)

Jennifer Valeri addressed Committee respecting adding the pride bench design to the commemorative benches that can be purchased in memoriam.

The Delegation from Jennifer Valeri respecting adding the pride bench design to the commemorative benches that can be purchased in memoriam, was received.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 5.

(iii) Joshua Rose, Rukebar's Action for Community, respecting lack of working water fountains in the City (In person) (Approved October 15, 2024) (Item 7.3)

Joshua Rose, Rukebar's Action for Community, addressed Committee respecting lack of working water fountains in the City.

The Delegation from Joshua Rose, Rukebar's Action for Community, respecting lack of working water fountains in the City, was received.

### (f) PUBLIC HEARINGS (Item 10)

(i) Proposed Permanent Closure and Sale of a Portion of Sanatorium Road, Hamilton (PW24074) (Ward 14) (Item 10.1)

Councillor A. Wilson advised that the notice of the Proposed Permanent Closure and Sale of a Portion of Sanatorium Road, Hamilton, was provided as required under the City's By-law No. 14-204 – the Sale of Land Policy By-law.

The Committee Clerk advised that there was one registered speaker:

### Registered Speaker:

(1) Matt Johnston, UrbanSolutions Planning & Land Development Consultants Inc. (In person) (Item 10.1(a)(a))

Matt Johnston, UrbanSolutions Planning & Land Development Consultants Inc. addressed Committee in support of the Proposed Permanent Closure and Sale of a Portion of Sanatorium Road, Hamilton.

That the registered delegation, be received.

- (2) The Chair asked three times if there were any members of the public in attendance who wished to come forward to speak to the matter. No individuals came forward.
- (3) The public meeting closed.

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

# (g) MOTIONS (Item 12)

(i) Addition of Rainbow Bench option to the City of Hamilton Commemorative Park Bench Program (City Wide) (Generated from Item 7.2)

Councillor A. Wilson relinquished the Chair to Councillor Nann in order to introduce a motion respecting the Addition of Rainbow Bench option to the City of Hamilton Commemorative Park Bench Program (City Wide).

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 5.

Councillor A. Wilson assumed the Chair.

### (h) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 13)

Councillor Beattie, in Councillor Spadafora's absence, introduced the following Notice of Motion:

# (i) Report Back on the Feasibility Planning Study for the Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway (Ward 14) (Item 13.1)

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; and
- (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.

Councillor Tadeson introduced the following Notice of Motion:

# (ii) Water Service Permit for 7030 Twenty Road East, Glanbrook (Ward 11) (Item 13.2)

WHEREAS, 7030 Twenty Road East, Glanbrook is located approximately 80 metres west to the north urban boundary and therefore doesn't qualify for municipal sewer and water connection;

WHEREAS, a precedent has been set with other properties outside the urban boundary that have been permitted to connect to municipal services at their cost including existing residential properties on Twenty Road East in the immediate area; and

WHEREAS, municipal public watermain and private watermain run in close proximity and has sufficient capacity to accommodate this property.

#### THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That a water service permit be issued for 7030 Twenty Road East upon the execution of a Special Service Agreement or equivalent to the satisfaction City;
- (b) That all costs for the permit, construction and necessary agreement be the full responsibility of the property owner;

- (c) That a new septic system be constructed at 7030 Twenty Road East; and
- (d) That the General Manager of Public Works Department or Planning and Economic Development be directed to execute any required agreement(s).

# (i) 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) Beverly Community Park, 680 Hwy. No. 8 (Flamborough), Pathway Proposal by the Rockton Lions Club (Ward 13) (Item 14.1(a)(a))
    Added: March 20, 2023

Addressed as Item 9.1 on today's agenda

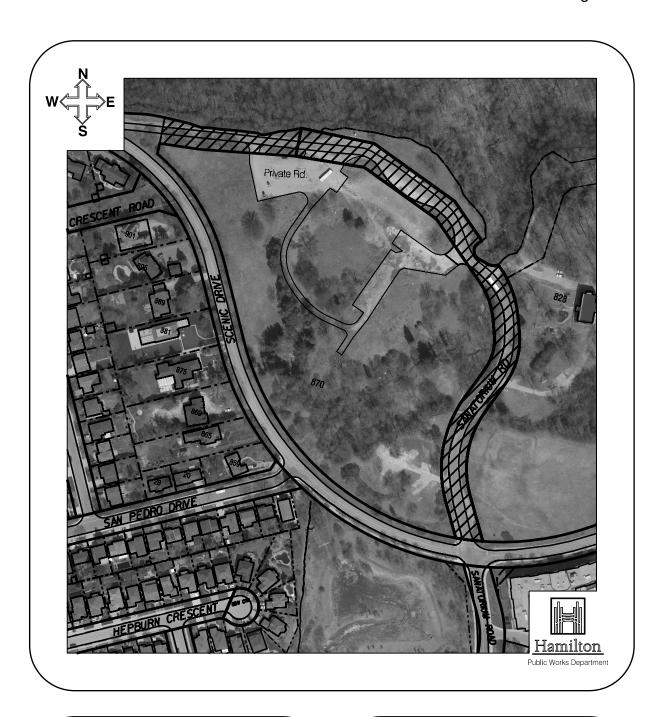
(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 16)

There being no further business, the Public Works Committee meeting adjourned at 2:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor A. Wilson, Acting Chair, Public Works Committee

Carrie McIntosh Legislative Coordinator Office of the City Clerk



### **AERIAL DRAWING**

PROPOSED CLOSURE OF PORTION OF

# Sanatorium Road, Hamilton

CITY OF HAMILTON PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT





SUBJECT LANDS TO BE CLOSED

DATE: 08/19/2024 Sketch By: LLF Not to Scale

REFERENCE FILE NO: PW24\_