

# CITY OF HAMILTON

## MOTION

Public Works Committee: November 18, 2024

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

**SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....**

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

WHEREAS, Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway, completed in 1997, operates as an eight-kilometre multi-lane municipal urban freeway with an approximate Annual Average Daily Traffic of 88,000;

WHEREAS, Red Hill Valley Parkway, completed in 2007, operates as a nine-kilometre multi-lane municipal urban freeway with an approximate Annual Average Daily Traffic of 92,000;

WHEREAS, a Feasibility Study to evaluate the short and long-term corridor needs of the Red Hill Valley Parkway (RHVP) and Lincoln Alexander Parkway (LINC) was initiated in 2020 to assess the feasibility of widening the LINC and RHVP due to traffic volumes and linkages to Provincial Highways;

WHEREAS, further advancement of the study and completion of stakeholder and public engagement and consultation is currently on hold until agreement is reached with the Red Hill Valley Joint Stewardship Board (JSB) as it relates to the Red Hill Valley Parkway (RHVP) portion;

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, 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; and

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.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That both Transportation Planning and Transportation Divisions 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

- (b) That Staff continue to work with the Joint Stewardship Board (JSB) with regard to the Red Hill Valley Parkway (RHVP) alternatives assessment and potential next steps.