

CITY OF HAMILTON

MOTION

Public Works Committee: April 28, 2025

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR N. NANN.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Road Safety – Bennetto Elementary School Safe Route to School and Bishop’s Park Access Enhancements (Ward 3)

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton is committed to Vision Zero;

WHEREAS, students in the Keith Neighbourhood who attend public school must either take the bus or cross Victoria Avenue North and Wellington Street North to walk to their home school, Bennetto Elementary School;

WHEREAS, to walk to school, students would need to cross Victoria Avenue North and Wellington Street North to walk to Bennetto Elementary School;

WHEREAS, neither Victoria Avenue North and Wellington Street North have reasonably close controlled crosswalks to facilitate the safe crossing of students going to and from Bennetto Elementary School;

WHEREAS, residents in the area have expressed their desire to use active transportation for their children to safely get to school;

WHEREAS, the Transportation Division has previously identified the need for controlled crossings on Victoria Avenue North and Wellington Street North and have been advancing plans to design and construct traffic infrastructure;

WHEREAS, Bishop’s Park is much needed and used City Park in Stinson where there is already an existing deficiency of green space access based on population; and

WHEREAS, the intersection of East Avenue South and Hunter Street East by Bishop’s Park has an all-way stop but no other safety enhancements for children and residents to cross the roadway and access the park.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Transportation Division advance the design and construction of controlled crossings on Victoria Avenue North and Wellington Street North that

would enable the safe crossing of students attending Bennetto Elementary School and include a 2026 Capital Budget submission to enable 2026 construction;

- (b) That the Transportation Division review opportunities to improve safety and access to Bishop's Park through the intersection of East Avenue South and Hunter Street East and implement meaningful and cost-effective traffic calming measures in 2025 funded from the Ward 3 Capital Re-Investment Reserve #108053 at an upset limit, including contingency, not to exceed \$20,000; and
- (c) That the General Manager, Public Works or designate be authorized and directed to approve and execute any and all required agreements and ancillary documents, with such terms and conditions in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.