

**CITY OF HAMILTON
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General Issues Committee Date: October 11, 2011

MOVED BYCOUNCILLOR C. COLLINS.....

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Hamilton Waterfront Priorities

Whereas Hamilton's waterfront and shoreline precincts are valuable geographic and environmental public assets that add to the quality of life for the City's residents;

And Whereas over the past several years, City Council has passed and endorsed several key policy initiatives to enhance and revitalize the waterfront precinct including; the West Harbour Recreation Master Plan, the "Setting Sail" secondary plan, Hamilton's Neighbourhood Development Strategy, the City of Hamilton Economic Development Strategy, as well as the pursuit of all-day GO train service to James St. North;

And Whereas the 2011 Senior Management Team Workplan clearly identified the goal of accelerating existing actions that revitalize the economic potential and assessment growth of the waterfront.

Therefore be it resolved:

- (a) That staff be directed and authorized to begin discussions with the Hamilton Port Authority, with the objective of a formal agreement transferring the lands consisting of Piers 7 and 8, to the City of Hamilton immediately;
- (b) That staff report back to Council in the 4th quarter of 2011 with a recommended "framework" for these discussions;
- (c) That staff be directed and authorized to commence key studies that will accelerate the public and private sector development of Piers 7 and 8, including but not limited to issues of site servicing, geo-technical, soils, remediation, as well as development phasing, marketability, and valuation;
- (d) That staff be authorized to fund these studies from the "Waterfront Development Corporation" capital budget;
- (e) That staff Report back by the 4th quarter of 2011 with a comprehensive 2012 workplan for the development of the waterfront precinct.