

# Public Works Committee MINUTES

9:30 a.m.
Monday, June 20, 2011
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West

**Present:** Councillors R. Powers (Chair), B. McHattie (Vice Chair),

C. Collins, S. Merulla, L. Ferguson, T. Jackson, R. Pasuta,

T. Whitehead, S. Duvall

Also Present: Councillors B. Morelli, B. Johnson

G. Davis, General Manager, Public Works

G. Rae, Senior Director, Environment and Sustainable

Infrastructure

B. Goodger, Senior Director, Operations & Waste

Management

J. Mater, Senior Director of Transportation, Energy &

Facilities

J. Stephen, Director, Environment and Sustainable

Infrastructure

D. Hull, Director of Transit

B. Shynal, Director of Operations and Waste Management

G. Moore, Director of Engineering Services

A. Grozelle, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk's Office

# THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO CITY COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Provincial Discussion of Ten Year Infrastructure Plan (PW10089a) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

# (Collins/Whitehead)

That Report PW110089a respecting, Provincial Discussion of Ten Year Infrastructure Plan, be received. CARRIED

# 2. Transit Customer Feedback Process (PW11049) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)

# (Collins/Whitehead)

That Report PW11049 respecting, Transit Customer Feedback Process, be received. CARRIED

# 3. Winter Control Program Maintenance Service Levels for Cycling Infrastructure - Pilot Program 2011/2012 (PW10096a) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

### (McHattie/Jackson)

- (a) That a Cycling Infrastructure Winter Control pilot project be developed and implemented for the 2011-2012 winter season to assess the efficiency of winter control maintenance requirements for the City's cycling infrastructure in conjunction with appropriate stakeholders;
- (b) That staff report back on the Winter Control pilot project by September 2012 on the results and provide appropriate recommendations and/or alternatives for proposed winter maintenance activities for the City's cycling infrastructure;
- (c) That staff be directed to include provisions for potential service level adjustments for cycling infrastructure within specifications for future Winter Maintenance Contract renewals; CARRIED

# 4. City of Hamilton Roadside Snow Fence Policy (PW11050) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

# (Ferguson/Jackson)

That the proposed Roadside Snow Fence Policy be approved to address issues related to winter road conditions;

CARRIED

# 5. Red Light Camera Program and Other Traffic Safety Initiatives (PW11048) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

# (Ferguson/Jackson)

- (a) That the red light camera program for the City of Hamilton be extended for a period of five years to the end of 2017;
- (b) That the current contract with Traffipax, Inc. for the provision of red light cameras and associated maintenance service and data transfer, be extended for an additional five years, following the same terms and conditions within the current contract, with the cost for red light camera equipment rental and servicing to be charged to account 55916-461010;

- (c) That approval be granted to extend the existing contract or enter into a new contract between the City of Hamilton and the City of Toronto, to undertake centralized municipal processing of red light camera offence notices, to the end of the year 2017, with the cost for this activity to be charged to account 55739-461010;
- (d) That approval be granted to extend the operational agreement with the Ministry of Transportation, Ontario, with said agreement defining the responsibilities of the City and the Province under the red light camera program and thereby authorizing and permitting the City of Toronto to obtain motor vehicle registration information necessary to lay charges under the red light camera program on behalf of the City of Hamilton, with the cost for this activity to be charged to account 55738-461010;
- (e) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all agreements cited in recommendations (a) to (d), in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (f) That the General Manager of Public Works or his designate, be authorized to negotiate and execute any other ancillary documentation required, in the opinion of the City Solicitor to implement the above agreements, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;
- (g) That, where the contract with Traffipax, Inc. indicates references to the General Manager, those be revised to be the General Manager of Public Works or his designate and where the contract references the Manager of Traffic Engineering and Operations that those be revised to the Manager of Traffic Engineering;
- (h) That, over the next five years of the Red Light Camera Program, staff be authorized to implement up to eight new locations and to remove locations which are not performing a public safety function, with such decisions to be made on a combination of the collision history and the red light running violation rates of candidate sites and in consultation with the ward councillor(s) and affected neighbourhoods;
- (i) That, should the City of Hamilton identify additional sites for red light camera implementation, that the City Manager of the City of Hamilton advise the City Manager of the City of Toronto of our intentions to ensure that the necessary resources are available at the City of Toronto processing centre to handle the increased demand generated;
- (j) That Appendix "A" attached to Report 11-009 respecting Candidate Locations for Red Light Camera Program Expansion 2012 to 2017 be received. CARRIED

6. The settlement of claims made under the *Expropriations Act* by Jamestown Construction Limited arising from the closure of Limeridge Road East, at Upper Wentworth Street (LS11006) (Ward 7) (Item 12.1)

# (Duvall/Jackson)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton enter into minutes of settlement to resolve the claims made under the *Expropriations Act* by Jamestown Construction Limited ("Jamestown" or, it's parent company, "Effort Trust"), arising from the closure of Limeridge Road East, at Upper Wentworth Street (Ward 7).
- (b) That the final net payment of approximately \$826,000 be made to Manfred Rudolph Law Office in trust, for Jamestown, in settlement of its claims.
- (c) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any documents necessary to implement this settlement, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
- (d) That the contents of Report LS11006 remain Confidential.

**CARRIED** 

7. Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the intersection of Kent Street and Aberdeen Avenue (Ward 1) (Item 9.1)

#### (McHattie/Merulla)

- (a) That a pedestrian-activated signal be installed at the intersection of Kent Street and Aberdeen Avenue.
- (b) That staff be directed to investigate funding the estimated \$80,000 capital cost of this project out of the area rating derived infrastructure reinvestment and that staff investigate funding options to cover the annual operating cost.
- (c) That the appropriate amending by-law be passed. CARRIED
- 8. Annual maintenance activities on the future pedestrian pathway between Delawana Drive and the Dominic Agostino Riverdale Community Centre (Ward 5) (Item 9.2)

# (Collins/Merulla)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton assume annual maintenance activities on a soon to be constructed pedestrian pathway between Delawana Drive and the Dominic Agostino Riverdale Community Centre (cost estimate \$1,300).
- (b) That staff make the necessary legal arrangements with Board of Education staff as it relates to our shared responsibilities. **CARRIED**

9. Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the location of St. Thomas More Catholic Secondary School at 1045 Upper Paradise Road (Ward 8) (Item 9.3)

#### (Collins/Merulla)

- (a) That a pedestrian-activated signal be installed at the location of, 1045 Upper Paradise Road adjacent to the entrance of St. Thomas More Catholic Secondary School.
- (b) That staff be directed to investigate funding the estimated \$80,000 cost of this project out of the area rating derived infrastructure reinvestment.
- (c) That the appropriate amending by-law be passed.

CARRIED

10. Installation of a full traffic signal at the intersection of Garner Road and Panabaker Road (Ward 12) (Added Item 10.1)

# (Ferguson/Jackson)

That the installation of a full traffic signal at Garner Road and Panabaker Road be approved at a cost of \$150,000 and be funded from the approved 2011 Unallocated Capital Reserve (Account 108020) Contribution (remaining budget of \$1,071,000) and that the appropriate by-law be passed.

CARRIED

11. Photo Radar endorsement (Added Item 9.4)

#### (Merulla/Collins)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton endorse the reintroduction of photo radar based on arterial road issues pertaining to speed, i.e. Lawrence Road;
- (b) That staff communicate the City of Hamilton's endorsement of photo radar to the Province accordingly;
- (c) That staff be directed to report back to the Public Works Committee on the issue of photo radar CARRIED
- 12. Delegation by Scott Murray, President of the Canadian Car Wash Association, respecting the dumping of household garbage at City car washes (Added Item 4.4 and 6.4)

### (Jackson/Ferguson)

(a) That the delegation by Scott Murray, President of the Canadian Car Wash Association, respecting the dumping of household garbage at city car washes be received.

- (b) That the comments made by Scott Murray be referred to the Special General Issues Committee, Solid Waste Master Plan Workshop
- (c) That appropriate staff from the Waste division be directed to follow up with Scott Murray at his car wash locations CARRIED

# 13. Appointment of a Liaison to the Hamilton Cycling Committee (Item 7.1)

# (Ferguson/Collins)

That Councillor Brian McHattie be appointed as a Council Liaision to the Hamilton Cycling Committee. CARRIED

#### FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

#### (a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

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

# (i) DELEGATION REQUEST

- 4.2 Delegation Request from Shelagh Keily, of Hamilton Council on Aging, respecting a request for free transportation -WITHDRAWN
- 4.3 Delegation Request from Charlene Ellison respecting playground equipment in Seymour Street Park, Ancaster (Ward 12)
- 4.4 Delegation Request from Scott Murray, President of the Canadian Car Wash Association, respecting the dumping of household garbage at city carwashes
- 4.5 Delegation Request from James Gallagher respecting the timing of traffic lights

# (ii) DELEGATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

#### (McHattie/Collins)

That Section 5.11 subsections (1), (2) and (3) of the City of Hamilton Procedural By-law be waived to allow for a Delegation by Ryan Mcgreal and Danielle Schwalm respect to Item 9.1 Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the intersection of Kent Street and Aberdeen Avenue to be added as Item 6.5

CARRIED

#### (Whitehead/Collins)

That the that Section 5.11 subsections (1), (2) and (3) of the City of Hamilton Procedural By-law be waived to allow for the following Delegations:

- (a) Delegation by Anne Flanagan, respecting flooding in the Forestgate Road area on June 8, 2011 (Added Item 6.6)
- (b) Delegation by Dana Gardiner-Rousseaux, respecting Fessenden neighbourhood flood concerns regard incidents on July 26, 2005, August 19, 2005 and June 8, 2011 (Added Item 6.7)
- (c) Delegation by, Terence Ryan, respecting Fessenden neighbourhood flooding. (Added Item 6.8)
- (d) Delegation by, Maragarit Jamison, respecting flooding of Fessenden Neighbourhood for the 2005 to 2011 (Added Item 6.9)

  CARRIED

## (iii) NOTICES OF MOTION

10.1 Installation of a full traffic signal at the intersection of Garner Road and Panabaker Road (Ward 12)

## (iv) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

That Item 12.1 respecting, Report LS11006 The settlement of claims made under the *Expropriations Act* by Jamestown Construction Limited arising from the closure of Limeridge Road East, at Upper Wentworth Street, be heard after the Declarations of Interest out of consideration for outside legal counsel in attendance.

### (Ferguson/McHattie)

That the June 20, 2011 Public Works Committee Agenda be approved, as amended. CARRIED

#### (b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

#### (c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) June 6, 2011 (Item 3.1)

#### (Jackson/McHattie)

That the Minutes of the June 6, 2011 Public Works Committee be approved, as presented. **CARRIED** 

# (d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

(i) Rick Mallon, of Bear Minimum Lawn Service respecting, dumping at transfer stations (Item 4.1)

#### (Ferguson/Collins)

- (a) That the Delegation Request from Rick Mallon, of Bear Minimum Lawn Service respecting, dumping at transfer stations, be approved.
- (b) That the rules of order be waived to allow the delegation from Rick Mallon, of Bear Minimum Lawn Service respecting, dumping at transfer stations to be heard today.

  CARRIED
- (ii) Shelagh Keily, of Hamilton Council on Aging, respecting a request for free transportation (Item 4.2)

Chair Powers informed Committee members that this delegation was withdrawn at the request of the delegate.

(iii) Delegation Request from Charlene Ellison respecting playground equipment in Seymour Street Park, Ancaster (Ward 12) (Added Item 4.3)

# (Ferguson/Collins)

- (a) That the Delegation Request from Charlene Ellison respecting playground equipment in Seymour Street Park, Ancaster (Ward 12), be approved.
- (b) That the rules of order be waived to allow the delegation from Charlene Ellison respecting playground equipment in Seymour Street Park, Ancaster (Ward 12) to be heard today. **CARRIED**
- (iv) Delegation Request from Scott Murray, President of the Canadian Car Wash Association, respecting the dumping of household garbage at City carwashes (Added Item 4.4)

# (McHattie/Collins)

- (a) That the Delegation Request from Scott Murray, President of the Canadian Car Wash Association, respecting the dumping of household garbage at city car washes, be approved.
- (b) That the rules of order be waived to allow the delegation from Scott Murray, President of the Canadian Car Wash Association, respecting the dumping of household garbage at city car washes to be heard today.

  CARRIED

# (e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Minutes of Various Sub-Committees (Item 5.1)

#### (Collins/Whitehead)

That the following Sub-committee Minutes be received:

Minutes of Various Sub-Committees (FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY)

- 5.1.1 Clean City Liaison Committee November 18, 2010
- 5.1.2 Waste Reduction Task Force April 20, 2011 CARRIED

(ii) Lake Erie Source Protection Committee – May 5, 2011 (Item 5.2)

### (Collins/Whitehead)

That the Minutes of the May 5, 2011 Lake Erie Source Protection Committee, be received. CARRIED

# (f) PUBLIC HEARING/DELEGATIONS

(i) Delegation by Elio Borchetta respecting, issues around garbage collection services (Item 6.1)

Elio Borchetta was not in attendance. Chair Powers indicated that Mr. Borchetta would be referred back to the delegation request process.

(ii) Rick Mallon, of Bear Minimum Lawn Service respecting, dumping at transfer stations (Item 4.1 and 6.2)

Rick Mallon, of Bear Minimum Lawn Service respecting, dumping at transfer stations. Highlights included but were not limited to the following:

- Mr. Mallon indicated that he administers Bear Minimum Lawn Service for his sons and other student workers
- Discussed the issues with tipping fees for yard waste and grass clippings
- Indicated that since the company is now defined as Commercial they are being charged for tipping
- Discussed how his business doesn't charge for the disposal of yard waste and grass clippings as they mainly provide services for seniors

 Indicated that this is an issue as the residents have already paid for grass and yard waste in their taxes however would be charged an additional amount for him to dispose it

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- Discussed how Bear Minimum Lawn Services provides this as a complimentary fee and does not make a profit from it
- Requested that the tipping fees be waived for Bear Minimum Lawn Services

Committee members asked several questions. Highlights included but were not limited to the following:

 Councillor Jackson requested that the delegation by Rick Mallon be referred to staff

# (Jackson/Ferguson)

That the delegation by Rick Mallon, of Bear Minimum Lawn Service respecting, dumping at transfer stations, be received. **CARRIED** 

# (iii) Delegation Request from Charlene Ellison respecting playground equipment in Seymour Street Park, Ancaster (Ward 12) (Added Item 4.3 and 6.3)

Charlene Ellison addressed the Committee members respecting playground equipment in Seymour Street Park, Ancaster (Ward 12) with the aid of a Power Point Presentation. Highlights included but were not limited to the following:

- Discussed that the park at Orton Avenue and Seymour Street equipment is old and in need of replacement
- Discussed that the only seating in the area is a picnic table that has a garbage can chained to it
- Indicated that there is tree in the way of the bench which obstructs the view of the playground equipment
- Discussed that the rock base and how it creates a mess and often has glass in it
- Discussed how the gravel base is not the best for this park and creates a slipper surface and gets into the children shoes
- Showed pictures of graffiti and older wood
- Discussed the cork sponge board for a ground surface or a concrete pad for playing
- Indicated that the area does not have sidewalks so a concrete pad would be helpful
- Indicated that lighting is an issue as there is only one light

Committee members asked several questions. Highlights included but were not limited to the following:

- Councillor Ferguson requested that staff send someone to paint over the graffiti and trim the tree obstructing the view of the playground equipment
- Councillor Ferguson asked Ms. Ellison if there were a lot of young children in the area
- Ms. Ellison indicated that she has three young children so she is unsure of how the park is use

Chair Powers thanked Ms. Ellison for her presentation.

#### (Collins/ Ferguson)

That the delegation by Charlene Ellison, respecting playground equipment in Seymour Street Park, Ancaster, be received. **CARRIED** 

# (Ferguson/McHattie)

That staff be directed to report back to the next Public Works Committee meeting with a schedule on the replacement of playground equipment and the replacement of the gravel base at the Seymour Street and Orton Avenue Park.

CARRIED

# (iv) Delegation from Scott Murray, President of the Canadian Car Wash Association, respecting the dumping of household garbage at city car washes (Added Item 4.4 and 6.4)

Scott Murray, President of the Canadian Car Wash Association addressed the Committee with the aid of an electronic presentation of pictures. Highlights included but were not limited to the following:

- Discussed how he is attendance representing area car washes
- Indicated that the issue of dumping at local car washes in terms of dumping
- Indicated car washes in Hamilton are getting a huge influx of household garbage
- Showed pictures of the garbage left at his car wash locations over the weekend, household garbage, paint cans, etc.
- Discussed how he has hired someone to sort through all the garbage left at his car wash and separate the recyclables

Committee members asked several questions. Highlights included but were not limited to the following:

- Chair Powers thanked Mr. Murray for bringing this matter forward and indicated that it is something that will be discussed at an upcoming workshop on waste management.
- Councillor Collins asked about the increase of garbage area car washes are seeing.

- Mr. Murray indicated that some areas have seen around a 100% increase in garbage.
- Councillor Collins asked in his dealing with By-law staff how they are dealing with illegal dumping.
- Mr. Murray indicated that they are very backlogged and it takes a long time for them to come out to pick up the garbage
- Councillor Collins asked staff how long it takes for follow-up on illegal dumping at a commercial location
- Staff indicated that they would have to get back to the Committee with those details
- Councillor Duvall asked if the increase in garbage being dumped at car washes was created before or after the introduction of the one bag limit
- Mr. Murray indicated that the problem started around a year ago and didn't exist prior to this time
- Councillor Duvall asked for what the increase in cost has impacted him.
- Mr. Murray indicated that his tipping cost is around \$69 every six weeks which has been doubled costing him an estimated additional \$1000 a year.

For further disposition on this Item refer to Item 12

# (v) Delegation by Ryan Mcgreal and Daniel Schwalm respecting, Agenda Item 9.1, Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the intersection of Kent Street and Aberdeen (Added Item 6.5)

Ryan Mcgreal and Daniel Schwalm addressed the Committee members. Highlights included but were not limited to the following:

- Indictaed that they were in support of the Motion
- Indicated that they had done a petition to try to get a signal installed at this location
- Discussed the importance of walkability and the need to support a walkable City
- Discussed the safety issue with crossing the four lanes of traffic

Councillor McHattie thanked the delegates for their work on this item.

#### (Collins/Jackson)

That the delegation by Ryan Mcgreal and Daniel Schwalm respecting, Agenda Item 9.1, Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the intersection of Kent Street and Aberdeen, be approved. **CARRIED** 

# (vi) Delegation by Anne Flanagan, respecting flooding in the Forestgate Drive area on June 8, 2011 (Added Item 6.6)

Anne Flanagan addressed the Committee. Highlights included but were not limited to the following.

- Discussed the past history of flooding in the area going back to 2006
- Discussed the past work and reports done by the City suggesting work was required to mitigate flooding in the Forestgate Drive, and Magnolia Drive area
- Indicated that a number of actions have not been taken on the recommendations made in 2006
- Indicated that the Forestgate Drive area is a high priority area for flooding and the City's response to date doesn't signify that priority
- Discussed the flooding damage to her house
- Provided details related to the cost of replacing applicances and other items damaged by flooding
- Discussed her safety concerns around flooding
- Indicated that the flooding has impact the lifestyles of those who live there as they are afraid to go on vacation
- Indicated that the resale value of the homes has been impacted negatively because of the flooding
- Indicated that there has been damage done to the foundations of homes
- Discussed the increase of insurance rates

#### (Duvall/Ferguson)

That the delegation by Anne Flanagan, respecting flooding in the Forestgate Drive area on June 8, 2011, be received. **CARRIED** 

# (vii) Delegation by Dana Gardiner-Rousseaux, respecting Fessenden neighbourhood flood concerns regard incidents on July 26, 2005, August 19, 2005 and June 8, 2011 (Added Item 6.7)

Dana Gardiner-Rousseaux addressed the Committee. Highlights included but were not limited to the following.

- Indicated that her house has experienced three major floods on the dates of July 26, 2005, August 19, 2005 and June 8, 2011
- Discussed how flooding causes her weeping tile to backsurge into her house
- Indicated this flooding is placing an incredible strain on the foundation of her house

- Indicated that she worries about her children's safety
- Indicated that she is one of twenty houses which is impacted by this flooding
- Because of the flooding she indicated that she would never be able to sell her house
- Discussed that houses regularly flood in the area and that the issue is not limited to the major incidents
- Discussed the stromwater drainage of Daisy Road and Magnolia requires that water flows uphill
- Indicated that this poor planning is responsible for the flooding experienced by the area
- Discussed how after the major event on June 8, 2011 City staff still have not attended the location to clean out catch basins

Committee members asked several questions of Ms. Gardiner-Rousseaux. Highlights included but were not limited to the following:

- Councillor Ferguson asked if it was the storm or sanitary sewers backing up.
- Ms. Gardiner-Rousseaux indicated that they had sanitary issues before until they installed a backup valve now they only have storm sewer issues.
- Councillor Merulla indicated that there is a City Wide approach to help eliviate flooding issues and asked what is happening in this area in terms of mitigating.
- Staff indicted that additional storm grates have been placed in the area, staff later clarified that this was the replacement of grates with larger grates not the introduction of more grates.
- Placed a camera in the storm water system to ensure that there were no blockages
- Indicated there is capital works in that area are to come forward in the 2012 budget
- Councillor Merulla asked if it would be mitigated in a similar fashion to what has happened in the east end.
- Staff indicated that is what they are working towards

## (Duvall/Ferguson)

That the delegation by Dana Gardiner-Rousseaux, respecting Fesenden neighbourhood flood concerns regard incidents on July 26, 2005, August 19, 2005 and June 8, 2011, be received. **CARRIED** 

(viii) Delegation by Terence Ryan, respecting Fessenden neighbourhood flooding. (Added Item 6.8)

Terrence Ryan addressed the Committee. Highlights included but were not limited to the following.

- Indicated that during the last flood 29 houses were flooded and that is an increase from 15 during the previous flooding
- Questioned what the City's response to this currently is
- Requested details in relation to how the City is going to move the issue of flooding in the area forward

#### (Duvall/Ferguson)

That the delegation by Terence Ryan, respecting Fesenden neighbourhood flooding, be received. CARRIED

# (xi) Delegation by, Maragarit Jamison, respecting flooding of Fessenden Neighbourhood for the 2005 to 2011 (Added Item 6.9)

Margarit Jamison addressed the Committee. Highlights included but were not limited to the following.

- Indicated that there is a problem with flooding in the area
- Indicated that residents have been told that the problem wouldn't be addressed until 2014
- Discussed how water used to rest on the Lincoln Alexander Parkway however now the water floods the Fessenden area homes

#### (Duvall/Ferguson)

That the delegation by Maragarit Jamison, respecting flooding of Fessenden Neighbourhood for the 2005 to 2011, be received.

**CARRIED** 

#### (Whitehead/Jackson)

(a) That staff be directed to report back at the next Public Works Committee meeting in response to the issues raised by the delegates on the Fessenden neighbourhood flooding and that in the interim staff respond to the delegates as soon as possible.

CARRIED

#### (g) PRESENTATIONS

(i) Presentation by the Hamilton Cycling Committee respecting the Cycling Master Plan progress to date (no copy) (Item 7.1)

Pauline McKinley, Bob Brown and Andrea Kita, of the Hamilton Cycling Committee addressed the Committee with the aid of a Power Point presentation. Highlights included but were not limited to the following:

- Discussed the importance of cycling in the area
- Indicated the work previously done and required in order to ensure good cycling infrastructure
- Indicated that cycling is great in Hamilton, however there is the need for more bike lanes, more trails and more paved shoulders in rural areas
- Indicated that there is a need for more secure bicycling parking
- Discussed that positive benefits of cycling
- Discussed what is being done in other areas and how they plan to move forward
- Asked that Public Works representatives would agree to meet with the Cycling Committee
- Asked that staff consult the Cycling Committee prior to eliminating possible links
- Discussed how the Cycling Committee would like to work with staff
- Requested that they be allowed to present annually to present to the Public Works Committee in June

Committee members asked several questions. Highlights included but were not limited to the following:

- Councillor McHattie thanked the presenters and indicated that he would be interested in being a liaison to the Committee.
- Councillor McHattie asked the Cycling Committee about their stance on having medians placed between roadways and cyclist.
- Cycling Committee members indicated that this in specific hasn't been addressed yet by the Committee, however there has been some general discussion on the overall need to protect cyclers from traffic
- Councillor Collins asked about the funding towards cycling and dealing with areas that would rather than see parking.
- Cycling members indicated that they would have to direct the question of the annual allocation for approximately \$300,000
- Staff indicated that while there is an amount for \$300,000 however the actual overall construction being placed on cycling in road construction is in the range of around \$1 million.
- Councillor Collins asked when this became separate budget items
- Staff indicated that this began with the Shifting Gears initiative, indicating that the \$300,000 is specifically for areas that need cycling needs addressed specifically however capital road projects
- Councillor Jackson asked about the lower levels of cycling usage in Hamilton

 Cycling Committee members indicated that if safe routes are provided people will use them

#### (Jackson/Ferguson)

That the presentation by Pauline McKinley, Bob Brown and Andrea Kita, of the Hamilton Cycling Committee respecting, the Cycling Master Plan progress to date be received.

#### (Ferguson/Collins)

That the Public Works Committee recess at 12:25 p.m. to reconvene after the Special Meeting of the General Issues Committee. **CARRIED** 

The Public Works Committee reconvened at 1:32 p.m.

(h) Red Light Camera Program and Other Traffic Safety Initiatives (PW11048) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

### (Jackson/ Ferguson)

That subsection (h) be amended with the addition of the following after 'candidate sites':

'and in consultation with the ward councillor(s) and affected neighbourhoods'

CARRIED

#### (Jackson/Duvall)

That Appendix 'A' to Report PW11048 be amended by the addition of 'Fennel Avenue East and Upper Gauge' and 'Mohawk East and Upper Sherman' CARRIED

# (i) MOTIONS

(i) Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the intersection of Kent Street and Aberdeen Avenue (Ward 1) (Item 9.1)

For disposition on this item refer to item 7.

(ii) Annual maintenance activities on the future pedestrian pathway between Delawana Drive and the Riverdale Community Centre (Ward 5) (Item 9.2)

For disposition on this item refer to item 8.

(iii) Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the location of St. Thomas More Catholic Secondary School, 1045 Upper Paradise Road (Ward 8) (Item 9.3)

For disposition on this item refer to item 9.

# (iv) Photo Radar endorsement (Added Item 9.4)

# (Merulla/Collins)

- (a) That the City of Hamilton endorse the reintroduction of photo radar based on arterial road issues pertaining to speed, i.e. Lawrence Road;
- (b) That staff communicate the City of Hamilton's endorsement of photo radar to the Province accordingly;
- (c) That staff be directed to report back to the Public Works Committee on the issue of photo radar

The Motion **CARRIED** on the following recorded vote:

Yeas: R. Powers, B. McHattie, C. Collins, S. Merulla, S. Duvall,

T. Jackson, R. Pasuta

Total: 7

Nays: L. Ferguson

Total: 1

Absent: T. Whitehead

Total: 1

For further disposition on this Item refer to Item 11

#### (i) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

Councillor Ferguson Introduced the Following Notice of Motion

# (i) Installation of a full traffic signal at the intersection of Garner Road and Panabaker Road (Ward 12) (Added Item 10.1)

WHEREAS the intersection of Garner Road and Panabaker Road is the main access point for Bishop Tonnos Catholic Secondary School and;

WHEREAS the traffic on Garner Road travels at a relatively high rate of speed;

WHEREAS there have been recent motor vehicle collisions including one that involved HSR bus and a school bus;

WHEREAS the traffic signal warrant study in May of 2010 was very close to meeting the minimum standards of the Council approved policy for installing a full traffic signal;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that a recommendation for the installation of a full traffic signal at Garner Road and Panabaker Road be approved at a cost of \$150,000 and be funded from the approved 2011 Unallocated Capital Reserve (Account 108020) Contribution (remaining budget of \$1,071,000) and that the appropriate by-law be passed.

# (Ferguson/Merulla)

That the rules of order be waived to allow for the introduction of a Motion respecting, the installation of a full traffic signal at the intersection of Garner Road and Panabaker Road.

CARRIED

For further disposition on this Item refer to Item 10.

# (j) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

11.1 Outstanding Business List

#### (Ferguson/Pasuta)

- (a) That the following Items be Removed of Items from the Outstanding Business List
  - (i) Item B: Use of Snow Fences in Rural Areas
  - (ii) Item H: Provincial Discussion of ten year Infrastructure Plan
  - (iii) Item J: Winter Control Program Maintenance Service Levels for Cycling Infrastructure CARRIED

### (k) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

(i) The settlement of claims made under the *Expropriations Act* by Jamestown Construction Limited arising from the closure of Limeridge Road East, at Upper Wentworth Street (LS11006) (Ward 7) (Item 12.1)

# (Duvall/Ferguson)

That Committee move into Closed Session at 9:42 a.m. to consider a matter, regarding the settlement of claims made under the *Expropriations Act* by Jamestown Construction Limited arising from the closure of Limeridge Road East, at Upper Wentworth Street, pursuant to Section 239 Subsections (e) and (f) of the Municipal Act and the City of Hamilton Procedural By-Law, as the subject matter pertains to matters of litigation

or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board as well as advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for the purpose.

CARRIED

Chair Powers indicated to those in attendance that the Committee would reconvene in Open Session to deliver their recommendations.

As shown in the Closed Session Minutes the Committee reconvened in Open Session at 10:08 a.m.

For further disposition on this item refer to item 6.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

#### (Duvall/Jackson)

There being no further business, the Public Works Committee adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor R. Powers, Chair Public Works Committee

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