



MOTION

Committee Date: September 6, 2012

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR B. McHATTIE.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR.....

Establishment of a Ward 1 and Ward 2 – One-Way to Two-Way Street Implementation Team

Whereas there are over 100 one-way streets remaining in Hamilton;

And Whereas increasingly, there appears to be a strong convergence of public opinion in Hamilton in favour of converting one way street conversion to benefit adjacent retail businesses, slow traffic, improve pedestrian movements, and generally increase liveability in neighbourhoods, especially in Downtown Hamilton;

And whereas the 2008 City of Hamilton Transportation Master Plan included recommendations on a number of one-way street conversions, which have not yet taken place;

And Whereas the one-way street conversions that have taken place (James/John, York/Wilson, Caroline, Hess and Park to be completed soon) have been successful;

And Whereas City staff is generally supportive of one-way conversions, but require strong and unequivocal political support to move ahead with adequate financial resources;

And Whereas, the majority of one-way streets exist in Wards 1 and 2.

Therefore be it resolved:

- (a) That a Ward 1 and Ward 2 – One-Way to Two-Way Street Implementation Team be established to systematically plan and implement one-way street conversions in the downtown area, beginning with a project submission to the 2013 budget process for conversion of Cannon Street and Queen Street to two-way streets;
- (b) That membership of the Implementation Team consist of the Ward 1 and 2 Councillors and appropriate Public Works staff, and include public consultation with interested individuals and groups including neighbourhood associations, affected residents, Business Improvement Areas and other commercial users, and other interested City Councillors.

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