



PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

REPORT 12-012

9:30 a.m.

Monday, November 5, 2012

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Councillor B. McHattie, Chair
Councillor L. Ferguson, Vice-Chair
Councillors C. Collins, S. Duvall, R. Powers, S. Merulla,
T. Jackson, T. Whitehead

Absent with Regrets: Councillor R. Pasuta – Personal Business

Also Present: Councillor J. Farr

THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 12-012 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Intersection Control List (PW12001(f)) (Ward 4) (Item 5.3)

That the appropriate By-law be presented to Council to provide traffic control as follows:

Intersection		Stop Direction		Class	Location / Comments / Petition	Ward
Street 1	Street 2	Existing	Requested			
Argyle Ave.	Frederick Ave.	N/C	EB	B	S. of Barton St., E. of Ottawa St.	4

2. Permanent Closure and Sale of a Public Unassumed Alleyway Abutting 11 Liberty Street, Hamilton (PW12091) (Ward 2) (Item 6.3)

- (a) That the public unassumed alleyway abutting 11 Liberty Street, Hamilton, as shown on Appendix A, attached to Report PW12091 (the "Subject Lands"), be permanently closed and transferred to the owner of 11 Liberty Street, Hamilton, subject to the following conditions:
 - (i) That the applicant bring an application to the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, under Section 88 of the Registry Act, R.S.O. 1990, for an order to permanently close and purchase the Subject Lands;
 - (ii) That the General Manager, Public Works or his designate sign the appropriate documentation confirming that no public funds have been expended on the Subject Lands;
 - (iii) That the documentation regarding the application to the Ontario Superior Court of Justice be prepared by the applicant, to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor;
 - (iv) That the applicant register a reference plan pursuant to the Registry Act and that said plan be prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor to the satisfaction of the Manager, Surveys and Technical Services Section and that the applicant deposit a reproducible copy of said plan with the Manager, Surveys and Technical Services Section;
- (b) That provided the application to the Ontario Superior Court of Justice to permanently close the Subject Lands is granted:
 - (i) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to prepare the By-law to permanently close the Subject Lands;
 - (ii) That the appropriate By-law be introduced and enacted by Council;
 - (iii) That the Economic Development and Real Estate Division of the Planning and Economic Development Department be authorized and directed to sell this closed Subject Lands, in accordance with the Procedural By-law for the Sale of Land, By-law No. 04-299 for \$1.00;
 - (iv) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to register a certified copy of the By-law permanently closing the Subject Lands in the proper land registry office, upon confirmation from the Public Works Department that all applicable fees and costs associated with the application have been paid by the applicant;
 - (v) That the By-law permanently closing the Subject Lands does not take effect until a certified copy of the By-law is registered in the proper land registry office;

- (vi) That the Public Works Department publish notice of the City's intention to pass the By-law pursuant to City of Hamilton By-law 04-299 being a By-law to Establish Procedures, including the Giving of Notice to the Public, Governing the Sale of Land Owned by the City of Hamilton.

3. Authority to Legally Approve Traffic Designs and Drawings (PW12083) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

That, as required by the Highway Traffic Act of the Province of Ontario, the Senior Project Manager of Signals and Systems, or designate, be authorized to provide legal approvals of traffic signal drawings and systems design on behalf of the City of Hamilton.

4. Quick Wins - Park-and-Ride Facility and Associated Improvements at the Mountain Transit Centre (PW11079c) (Ward 11) (Item 8.2)

- (a) That the General Manager, Public Works, be authorized and directed to issue a Purchase Order to McCormick Rankin Corporation a Member of the MMM Group, for design and engineering consulting services related to the Park-and-Ride Facility and Associated Improvements at the Mountain Transit Centre, to be charged to Project ID 5300855100 and funded from the Metrolinx Quick Wins Reserve #108047 in accordance with Purchasing Policy #11(2) Non-Competitive Procurement;
- (b) That the General Manager, Public Works, be authorized to provide a copy of report PW11079(c) to the Metrolinx CEO and Chair of the Metrolinx Board for their information.

5. Amendments to Solid Waste Management By-law 09-067 (PW09021a) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

- (a) That Report PW09021a, respecting changes to the Solid Waste Management By-law 09-067 be received;
- (b) That the by-law amending the Solid Waste Management By-law 09-067 attached as Appendix A to Report PW09021a, which has been prepared in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, be enacted by Council.

6. Truck Route Sub-Committee Report 12-002 (Item 8.4)

That the revised terms of reference for the Truck Route Sub-Committee attached as Appendix A to Public Works Report 12-012 be approved.

7. All-way stop at Tom Street and Breadalbane Street (Item 9.2)

Whereas a number of young children cross the street in this location to access the park, and;

Whereas greater clarity is required to indicate that parking is not allowed within an intersection, and;

Whereas a lack of parked cars will improve visibility into the park and assist in alleviating ongoing undesirable activity.

Therefore be it resolved,

- (a) That all-way stop control be implemented at the intersection of Breadalbane Street and Tom Street;
- (b) That an appropriate By-law to amend the City of Hamilton Traffic By-law 01-215 be passed.

8. All-way Stop Control Woodburn Road and Guyatt Road (Item 9.3)

- (a) That all-way stop control be implemented at the intersection of Woodburn Rd. and Guyatt Rd;
- (b) That an appropriate By-law to amend the City of Hamilton Traffic By-law 01-215 be passed and enacted.

9. Outstanding Business List Items (Item 11.1)

That the following items be referred to the General Issues Committee for deliberation:

- (i) Item A - Installation Policy for Intersection and Mid-Block Pedestrian Signals
- (ii) Item K - Clean Air Hamilton 2011 Progress Report

10. Truck Route Sub-Committee: Garth Street north of Stone Church Road (New Business)

That the use of trucks on Garth Street North of Stone Church Road be forwarded onto the Truck Route Sub-Committee for deliberation.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

ADDED PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS

- (i) Delegation Request by Hal Costie, respecting the Permanent Closure and Sale of a Public Unassumed Alleyway Abutting 11 Liberty Street (Added Item 6.3.2)

The October 15, 2012 Public Works Committee Agenda was approved as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) October 15, 2012 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of the October 15, 2012 Public Works Committee were approved as presented.

(d) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Minutes of Various Sub-Committee (FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY) (Item 5.1)

The following Advisory and Sub-committee Minutes were received for information:

- (a) Clean City Liaison Committee – September 18, 2012

(ii) Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee Minutes – June 26, 2012 (Item 5.2)

The minutes from the Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee Minutes dated June 26, 2012, were received.

(e) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

(i) Delegation from Bill Warnick respecting the City's policies and signage for through streets (Referred from Planning Committee August 14, 2012) (Item 6.1)

Bill Warnick spoke to the Committee. A copy of his presentation was retained for the record.

The delegation by Bill Warnick, respecting the City's policies and signage for through streets was received.

(ii) Delegation by Ken Philips, CAO, and John Vice, Chair, of Conservation Halton, respecting a Watershed update (Item 6.2)

John Vice, Chair of Conservation Halton spoke to the Committee with respect to Conservation Halton's Public Accountability Report 2012. A copy of the report was retained for the record.

The delegation by Ken Philips CAO, and John Vice, Chair, of Conservation Halton, respecting a Watershed update was received.

(iii) Permanent Closure and Sale of a Public Unassumed Alleyway Abutting 11 Liberty Street, Hamilton (PW12091) (Ward 2) (Item 6.3)

Staff, with the aid of PowerPoint presentation indicated their support for the alleyway closure. A copy of the presentation was retained for the record.

Councillor Farr was in attendance to express his support of the closure of the alleyway.

The staff presentation respecting the Permanent Closure and Sale of a Public Unassumed Alleyway Abutting 11 Liberty Street, Hamilton, was received.

(a) Correspondence from Ismet Handanovic against the Proposed Closure and Sale (Item 6.3.1)

Mr. Handanovic and his daughter indicated their concerns with the closure, as it may affect the ability for service vehicles to access the alleyway.

The presentation by Ismet Handanovic, respecting his objections to the Permanent Closure and Sale of a Public Unassumed Alleyway Abutting 11 Liberty Street, was received.

(b) Delegation Request by Hal Costie, respecting the Permanent Closure and Sale of a Public Unassumed Alleyway Abutting 11 Liberty Street (Added Item 6.3.2)

Mr. Costie indicated that the alleyway is a constant source of problems for him, and his property abuts the alleyway. Mr. Costie indicated his support for the closure of the alleyway.

The presentation by Hal Costie, respecting his support of the Permanent Closure and Sale of a Public Unassumed Alleyway Abutting 11 Liberty Street, was received.

Please refer to item 2 for disposition

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Quick Wins - Park-and-Ride Facility and Associated Improvements at the Mountain Transit Centre (PW11079c) (Ward 11) (Item 8.2)

The Committee members discussed the report, and requested that staff provide an update to Councillors with respect to the transportation master plan.

Please refer to Item 4 for disposition.

(ii) Amendments to Solid Waste Management By-law 09-067 (PW09021a) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

The Committee questioned staff with respect to the amendments, and had some concerns with respect to some of the language used, and the potential for sending mixed messages to the public.

Please refer to Item 5 for disposition.

(g) MOTIONS (item 9)

(i) King Street West Parking Pilot (Item 9.1)

Councillor Whitehead's motion was not considered at today's meeting.

(ii) Backwater Valve Program Extension (Item 9.4)

Councillor Collins withdrew his motion, as the matter was handled at the last meeting of the General Issues Committee.

(h) OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

(i) Improved identification of Through Streets (New Business)

Staff were directed to report back on ways that through streets can be better identified throughout the City.

(ii) King Street West westbound Lane Closure (New Business)

Staff were directed to report back on when the lane closure between Hess Street and Queen Street will conclude.

(iii) Development of Lane Closure Policy (New Business)

- (a) Staff were directed to report back with a policy for lane closures, to accommodate safety issues during the construction of structures;
- (b) Staff were directed to include timelines for lane closures and consequences if timelines are not met.

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

There being no further business, the Public Works Committee adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor B. McHattie, Chair
Public Works Committee

Christopher Newman
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk

Truck Route Sub-committee Terms of Reference

Introduction:

The Truck Route Sub-committee has been established to consider issues related to the routing of heavy vehicles through the City of Hamilton. Trucks with a registered gross vehicle weight in excess of 4500 kg are considered heavy vehicles. Goods movement by truck is the primary means of transport within Hamilton, and a key element of the City's economy. The trucking industry desires a system that will allow the most expeditious movement of goods vehicles. However, heavy vehicles are often unwelcome due to noise and vibration issues, as well as conflicts with other road users, especially on neighbourhood streets or local rural roads. Heavy vehicles can damage roads not designed to accommodate them, so roads designated for heavy vehicle traffic must be constructed to a higher standard, at additional cost to the taxpayers. Therefore, a balance must be struck between the competing requirements. The definition of allowable travel routing for trucks is contained in the City's Traffic By-law and is referred to as the Truck Route System. Managing the Truck Route System is the primary responsibility of the Truck Route Sub-committee.

Mandate:

The Truck Route Sub-committee is to provide comments and recommendations on issues relevant to truck movements, truck route enforcement and the designated truck route system, not limited to: concerns with respect to existing truck routes, removal and addition of routes, signage, noise, impacts on existing traffic patterns, issues with respect to truck route enforcement and the justification for the future planning and design of the truck route system.

Composition:

The Truck Route Sub-Committee will be comprised of six members of Hamilton City Council.

Support Staff:

The following administrative support will be in attendance at Truck Route Sub-Committee meetings:

- Appropriate staff from the Public works, Environment and Sustainable Infrastructure Division
- Appropriate staff from the Hamilton Police Services, with a knowledge of Truck Route enforcement

Meetings:

The Truck Route Sub-Committee will meet quarterly, or at the call of the Chair.

Reporting:

The Truck Route Sub-Committee will report to the Public Works Committee.