Request to Speak to a Committee of Council

If your request is for a specific committee meeting, this form must be received by NOON the day before the scheduled committee meeting. Requests for Friday meetings must be received the Friday before the meeting. Requests for meetings scheduled for the day after a statutory holiday must be received the last business day before the meeting.

Standing Committee Requested

Kindly indicate which Standing Committee: * General Issues Committee

Requestor Information

Name of Individual: * Bill Thompson
Name of Organization: Blue Green Canada
Do you or your organization represent a lobbyist (voluntary) C Yes C No
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Reason(s) for delegation request: * I wish to speak to the green economy resolution which my organization prepared for Council.
Will you be submitting a formal presentation?* C Yes C No

Requests to speak to Council are forwarded to the Standing Committee for consideration. Once considered by Committee, and approved, you will be notified of the date for your presentation.

This form is not for the purpose of presenting unsolicited proposals by Vendors to Committee. Such proposals are subject to a competitive process as required by the City’s Purchasing Policy.

Personal information collected on this form is authorized under Section 5.10(2) of the City’s Procedural By-law No. 10-053 for the purpose of contacting individuals and/or organizations requesting an opportunity to appear as a delegation before a Standing Committee and will be published with the Committee Agenda. The Voluntary Lobbyist Registry is a public document and will be available for viewing in the City Clerk’s office. The Procedural By-law is a requirement of Section 238(2) of the Municipal Act. Questions about its collection can be directed to the Manager, Legislative Services / Deputy Clerk, City Hall, 71 Main St. W., Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5 (905 546-2424 ext. 4304).

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Hamilton has done much to walk the walk of a green economy and to build green infrastructure and practices. Whether it is the recovery of methane from our waste management sites or cogeneration at the Jarvinski Hospital, or the LEEDS incentive program and our ERASE program Hamilton is setting a solid example of a community transitioning to a more sustainable pattern of development. Our current economic development policy and effort are producing results to build good green jobs in Hamilton. There is much more to do but these achievements are setting us on a course to a green future.

We are on the threshold of a scheduled provincial election. There are several issues that are arising in the lead up to the provincial election. Health care, jobs and pensions are issues that are circulating. I would propose that central part of addressing these issues is the creation of sustainable wealth. Good green jobs mean the production of goods, services, and processes that minimizes the impact on our air, water and land. It is much more than the production of electricity. Energy conservation via retrofitting of existing structures and use of new energy conservation and management in construction and operation are key areas that create jobs. Energy management and storage are growing fields can offer opportunities to Hamilton firms and workers. The wealth produced can sustain and support health and services. By producing in this way we avoid many health and environmental costs. We begin to build a virtuous cycle of economic and social development.

Provincial economic and environmental policies can and have shaped the possibilities of our local decision makers private and public. As citizens we need to know what the parties and the candidates will do to help move the green economy forward. To date we have heard much from the parties about what is wrong with the current state of affairs. We believe we need to know what the next Ontario government will DO to build the green economy.

I ask this council to continue its leadership on these issues and adopt the resolution.