



Hamilton

March 29, 2010

RE: TRUCK ROUTE MASTER PLAN – PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS UPDATE.

The City of Hamilton's Truck Route Master Plan Study is proceeding well. The project team has gathered information at Public Information Centres (**May 27, 2008, June 17-19, 2008, November 5 and 12, 2009, December 2 and 10, 2009**) and at various stakeholder meetings. The project has been conducted as a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Master Plan, from a broad approach perspective.

The Municipal Engineers Association's Municipal Class Environmental Assessment document (October 2000, as amended in 2007) requires that the Project File be made available for public comment for a minimum 30 day review, if any Schedule B or C projects have been identified. If those projects were identified there would also be an option to submit a Part II Order (appeal) to the Ministry of the Environment.

All works to date proposed during the Truck Route Master Plan study process have been pre-approved under the Class EA process and no Schedule B or C projects were found. The project team will therefore not recommend that the City proceed with filing of the Draft Project File document with the Ministry of the Environment as a Class EA, and the 30 day review will not take place. A Part II Order request option for this process would not apply for the same reason.

The evaluation of available information and review of public and stakeholder comments has taken place. The project team is ready to propose its preliminary preferred alternative(s) for truck routes in the City Of Hamilton.

The Project Team is sending this update to make members of the public aware of the remaining public consultation steps within the Truck Route Master Plan.

Public Works Truck Route Sub-Committee Meeting

- **April 26, 2010 – 2 p.m.**
- **Room 207 at the Hamilton Convention Centre.** Members of the Public can observe the proceedings but cannot send delegations.

If there are disability accommodation requirements for the above meeting please contact the following staff member no later than **April 12, 2010:***

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Public Works Committee Meeting

- **May 31, 2010 – 9 a.m.**
- **Albion Room at the Hamilton Convention Centre.** Please note that these are the expected date and time, assuming that the staff report goes forward from the above April 26, 2010 meeting. Members of the public can send delegations to this meeting. To confirm this Public Works Committee meeting date and other particulars please go to the project website:
<http://www.Hamilton.ca/TruckRouteStudy>

A delegation request form can be completed by anyone who wishes to address the Public Works Committee with respect to the Truck Route Master Plan at the anticipated May 31, 2010 meeting or if is changed, its alternative. In accordance with the *Procedure to Govern the Proceedings of Council and Committees of Council No. 10-053*, also known as the "*Procedural By-law*", public delegations are limited to 5 minutes for their presentation, with no more than 2 speakers representing any single organization. Also, if there is a large group of individuals that are of the same opinion, then it is more desirable that they select one spokesperson.

If the May 31, 2010 date stands, delegation requests must be received by the Clerk's Office by no later than noon on Friday, May 28.

The electronic form and related rules can be found at the following link on the City's website:

<http://www.hamilton.ca/YourElectedOfficials/Request+to+Speak+to+a+Committee+of+Council.htm>

If there are disability accommodation requirements for the above meeting, please contact the staff member below, no later than **May 14, 2010** or, if the date is changed, no later than two weeks prior to the meeting.

If anyone wishes to receive a hard copy of the form or has any questions about the process or requests for delegations please contact:

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Your input into this process is most welcome and much appreciated. If you have any other questions related to the Truck Route Master Plan please contact:

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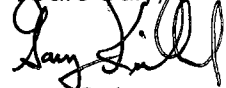
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Yours truly,



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* Please note that the increase of font of certain portions of this letter is for the benefit of some visually impaired members of the public, in accordance with the City of Hamilton Clear View Accessibility Guidelines (October 2009).