CITY OF HAMILTON
MOTION

General Issues Committee Date: December 1, 2011

MOVED BY ………COUNCILLOR PARTRIDGE……………………………

SECONDED BY ………………………………………………………………

The Municipal Infrastructure Deficit

WHEREAS the City of Hamilton, as per municipalities across the country, owns a diverse portfolio of infrastructure assets that provide a diverse number of municipal services to our citizens;

AND WHEREAS the City of Hamilton, as per municipalities across the country, has a significant infrastructure deficit that is expanding ever larger on an annual basis due to the lack of available funds;

AND WHEREAS the 2007 FCM – McGill University Municipal Infrastructure Survey established the municipal infrastructure deficit to be $123.6 billion across the nation in 2007;

AND WHEREAS Canada’s future prosperity, economic development, international competitiveness, and overall quality of life is at stake if the infrastructure deficit remains unaddressed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City of Hamilton request:

(a) That the Minister of Infrastructure for Ontario and the Minister of Infrastructure Canada establish plans to eliminate the municipal infrastructure deficit through the provision of long term funding strategies and annual fund allocations dedicated to municipal infrastructure;

(b) That the funding allocation from senior levels of government be distributed on an age/condition of infrastructure basis as opposed to a per capita basis;

(c) That this resolution be circulated through AMO and FCM to municipalities in Ontario and throughout the country for their support.