Public Works Committee MINUTES 9:30 a.m. Monday, November 7, 2011 Council Chambers Hamilton City Hall 71 Main Street West

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

Also Present: G. Davis, General Manager Public Works J. Mater, Senior Director of Transportation, Energy & Facilities B. Goodger, Senior Director of Operations & Waste Management G. Moore, Director of Engineering Services G. Lupton, Director of Energy, Fleet, Facilities & Traffic R. Norman, Acting Director, Environment and Sustainable Infrastructure A. Kirkpatrick, Manager, Transportation Planning B. Farkas, Manager, Economic Development and Planning, Real Estate G. Ghbn, Senior Project Manager Water/ Wastewater Planning A. Grozelle, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk’s Office

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO CITY COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Quick-Wins Projects Status (PW11079) (City Wide)(Item 5.2)
   (McHattie/Jackson)
   That Report PW11079 respecting, Quick-Wins Projects Status, be received. CARRIED

2. Hamilton Cycling Committee Report 11-001 (Item 8.1)
   (McHattie/Merulla)
   That the amended letter from the Hamilton Cycling Committee to the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) respecting, recommendations for improvements
3. **Queen Elizabeth Way Beach Boulevard Flood Protection (PW06118a) - (City Wide) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

(Collins/McHattie)

(a) That the budget for QEW Beach Blvd Flood Protection (Capital Project ID 5180662640) be increased by $6,570,000 from $5,600,000 to $12,170,000 and that approximately 43% of this increase ($2,825,000) which represents the City's share, be funded from the surplus available from favourable tenders within the 2011 Storm Relief Program (Capital Budget Project ID 5181172290) and that the balance be funded by the Ministry of Transportation per the attached agreement (see Appendix "A");

(b) That the PO #32847 to McCormick Rankin for the engineering and design of the project be increase by $250,000;

(c) That the appropriation adjustments as outlined in Appendix “B” to report PW06118a be approved;

(d) That the General Manager of Public Works be authorized and directed to proceed with the tender and award contract no. PW-11-54(s) to Alberici Constructors Ltd. in the amount of $8,649,526.73 as identified on Appendix “B”.  

4. **Fessenden Neighbourhood Stormwater Project Municipal Class EA - (PW11080) - (Ward 8) (Item 12.1)**

(Whitehead/Merulla)

(a) That, upon completion, the General Manager, Public Works Department, be authorized and directed to file the Fessenden Neighbourhood Stormwater Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Project File Report with the Municipal Clerk for a minimum thirty (30) day public review period;

(b) That upon completion of the minimum thirty (30) day public review period and subject to capital budget approval, the General Manager, Public Works Department, be authorized and directed to proceed with detailed design and implementation of the preferred solution of the Class Environmental Assessment for the above study provided that no Part 2 Order by the Minister of the Environment is received;

(c) That, subject to comments received during the public review period, the General Manager, Public Works report to the Public Works Committee respecting issues that are controversial or cannot be resolved for the above project;
(d) That upon completion of the Class EA process, the Manager, Real Estate and Property Management, be directed to enter into negotiations with the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board (HWDSB) for their land located at the southwest corner of Wendover Drive and Lynwood Road now in the City of Hamilton, comprising an area of approximately 3.7 acres. The land location is shown in Appendix “B”;

(e) That the acquisition of required lands for the stormwater facility be funded from the 2012 and 2013 capital budget, subject to approval of the 2012 and 2013 Capital Budget;

(f) That the financial details of the land acquisition outlined in Appendix “C” remain confidential until completion of the transaction and that the balance of Report PW11080 not be released as a public document.  

5. Installation of a full traffic signal at the intersection of John Street South and Augusta (Ward 2) (Item 9.1)

(Collins/McHattie)
That the Installation of a full traffic signal at the intersection of John Street South and Augusta be approved at an estimated cost of $150,000 and be funded from the approved 2011 Unallocated Capital Reserve (Account 108020).

CARRIED

6. Installation of all-way stop controls on Hillcrest Avenue (Added Item 9.2)

(McHattie/Collins)
That all-way stop controls be installed at the following intersections, and that the appropriate amending By-law be passed:

(a) Hillcrest Avenue and Beulah Avenue
(b) Hillcrest Avenue and Hyde Park Drive
(c) Hillcrest Avenue Flatt Avenue.

CARRIED

7. Request for Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the location of Mohawk Road West at Ashton adjacent to People’s Church (Item 10.2)

(Whitehead/Merulla)
(a) That a pedestrian-activated signal be installed at the location of Mohawk Road West and Ashton in the area of the People’s Church

(b) That staff be directed to investigate funding the estimated $80,000 cost of this project out of Ward 8 area rating derived funding.

CARRIED
FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda:

NOTICES OF MOTION
(i) Notice of Motion respecting Installation of all-way stop controls on Hillcrest Avenue (Item 10.1)

(ii) Notice of Motion respecting the Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the location of Mohawk Road West at Ashton adjacent to People’s Church (Item 10.2)

GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS

(i) Outstanding Business List revised Due Dates be approved (Item 11.1)

   (i) Item C - Installation Policy for Intersection and Mid-Block Pedestrian Signals
       Due Date: December 12, 2011
       Proposed New Due Date: Q1 2012

   (ii) Item D - Litter, Illegal Dumping and Security Issues affecting Municipal Properties abutting Railways
        Due Date: November 21, 2011
        Proposed New Due Date: December 5, 2011

(Pasuta/Whitehead)
That the November 7, 2011 Public Works Committee Agenda be approved, as amended. CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) October 17, 2011 (Item 3.1)

(Whitehead /Collins)
That the Minutes of the October 17, 2011 Public Works Committee be approved, as presented. CARRIED
(d) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Hamilton Cycling Committee – August 3, 2011 (Item 5.1.1)

(Ferguson/Whitehead)
That the Minutes of the Hamilton Cycling Committee meeting dated August 3, 2011 be received for information.  
CARRIED

(ii) Solid Waste Management Master Plan Steering Committee – September 16, 2011 (Item 5.1.2)

(Collins/Ferguson)
That the Minutes of the Solid Waste Management Master Plan Steering Committee meeting dated September 16, 2011 be received for information.  
CARRIED

(e) DELEGATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS (Item 6)

(i) Dr. Pamela Blais of Metropole Consultants, respecting urban sprawl and its relation to public policy and service pricing. (Item 6.1)

Dr. Blais addressed the Committee with the aid of a PowerPoint Presentation. A copy of the presentation has been included in the official record.

Dr. Blais discussed urban form and indicating that the uniformity in development and service charges has created a development pattern that causes inefficient land-use and overspending. She indicated that prices should vary based upon the costs, density, use, etc. Dr. Blais outlined the problems with uniformities in development charges and described in detail the inequities that this can cause.

(Duvall/Merulla)
That the delegation by Dr. Pamela Blais of Metropole Consultants, respecting urban sprawl and its relation to public policy and service pricing, be received.  
CARRIED

(f) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Katie Mills, Chief Financial Officer, Hamilton Utilities Corporation regarding partnerships and collaborations with the City of Hamilton (Item 7.1)
Katie Mills, Chief Financial Officer, Hamilton Utilities Corporation, addressed the Committee with the aid of a Power Point Presentation. A copy of this presentation has been included in the official record.

Ms. Mills discussed the collaborations between the Hamilton Utilities Corporation and the City of Hamilton. She provided an overview of the partnerships, efficiencies and successes and discussed some of the upcoming projects and future expansion plans.

(Whitehead/Pasuta)
That the presentation by Katie Mills, Chief Financial Officer, Hamilton Utilities Corporation, be received CARRIED

(g) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Hamilton Cycling Committee Report 11-001 (Item 8.1)

Chair Powers indicate that under the recommended Highway traffic Amendments the letter should reference the contribution of Dr. Lucas’ the Regional Corner.

(McHattie/Merulla)
That the issue of “Idaho stop” style traffic controls be removed from the letter and sent back to the Hamilton Cycling Committee for further consideration. CARRIED

The Main Motion as Amended CARRIED on the following Recorded Vote:

R. Powers, T. Jackson
Total: 7

Nays: L. Ferguson – Opposed to items 1 and 4 under the heading “The Ontario Highway Traffic Act”
Total: 1

Absent: C. Collins
Total: 1

(h) MOTIONS (Item 9)

(i) Installation of a full traffic signal at the intersection of John Street South and Augusta (Ward 2) (Item 9.1)

For disposition on this item refer to Item 5.
(ii) Installation of all-way stop controls on Hillcrest Avenue (Added Item 9.2)

For disposition on this item refer to Item 6.

(iii) Request for Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the location of Mohawk Road West at Ashton adjacent to People’s Church (Added Item 9.3)

For disposition on this item refer to Item 7.

(i) NOTICES OF MOTION (Item 10)

Councillor McHattie introduced the following Notice of Motion

(i) Installation of all-way stop controls on Hillcrest Avenue (Item 10.1)

Whereas, citizens living in the area of Hillcrest Avenue have requested additional stop signs, particularly given all of the parks in the area, with children playing.

That all-way stop controls be installed at the following intersections, and that the appropriate amending By-law be passed:

a) Hillcrest Avenue and Beulah Avenue
b) Hillcrest Avenue and Hyde Park Drive
c) Hillcrest Avenue Flatt Avenue.

(McHattie/Collins)
That the rules of order be waived to allow the consideration of a Motion respecting the Installation of all-way stop controls on Hillcrest Avenue.

CARRIED

Councillor Whitehead introduced the following Notice of Motion

(ii) Request for Installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the location of Mohawk Road West at Ashton adjacent to People’s Church (Item 10.2)

(a) That a pedestrian-activated signal be installed at the location of Mohawk Road West and Ashton in the area of the People’s Church

(b) That staff be directed to investigate funding the estimated $80,000 cost of this project out of Ward 8 area rating derived funding.
(Whitehead/Merulla) 
That the rules of order be waived to allow the consideration of a Motion respecting the installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at the location of Mohawk Road West at Ashton adjacent to People’s Church. **CARRIED**

(j) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

(i) Outstanding Business List (Item 11.1)

(Jackson/Duvall) 
(a) That the following revised Due Dates be approved.

(i) Item C - Installation Policy for Intersection and Mid-Block Pedestrian Signals  
Due Date: December 12, 2011  
Proposed New Due Date: Q1 2012 

(ii) Item D - Litter, Illegal Dumping and Security Issues affecting Municipal Properties abutting Railways  
Due Date: November 21, 2011  
Proposed New Due Date: December 5, 2011  
**CARRIED**

(j) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL (Item 12)

(i) Fessenden Neighbourhood Stormwater Project Municipal Class EA (PW11080) (Ward 8) (Item 12.1)

(Whitehead/Pasuta) 
That Committee move into Closed Session at 11:06 a.m. to consider a matter, regarding Report PW11080, Fessenden Neighbourhood Stormwater Project Municipal Class EA, pursuant to Sect 239 (c) of the Municipal Act and Section 8.1 (c) of the Procedural By-law as the subject matter concerns a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board. **CARRIED**

The Committee reconvened in Open Session at 11:13 a.m. and delivered their recommendations

For disposition on this item refer to Item 4.
(k) ADJOURNMENT

(Jackson/Pasuta)
There being no further business, the Public Works Committee adjourned at 11:15 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor R. Powers, Chair
Public Works Committee

Andy Grozelle
Legislative Assistant
November 7, 2011