SUBJECT: Appointment of Weed Inspectors for the City of Hamilton (PED06109) (City Wide)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the By-law attached to Report PED06109 to appoint Weed Inspectors for the City of Hamilton be approved.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides information respecting the appointment of Weed Inspectors to enforce the Weed Control Act in the City of Hamilton and to approve the Weed Inspectors Appointment By-law to reflect staffing changes.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Hamilton, in accordance with the regulations of the Weed Control Act R.S.O. 1990 Chapter W.5, must appoint Weed Inspectors by By-law annually to respond to complaints respecting the control of noxious weeds and to enforce the regulations and requirements of the Act.

Long grass and weeds are controlled throughout the City pursuant to the City of Hamilton Yard Maintenance By-Law No. 03-118.
ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES:

Weed control can be undertaken in the rural areas pursuant to the Yard Maintenance By-law or the Weed Control Act.

FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no staffing implications associated with this recommendation. This activity is absorbed by staff as an extended function of their existing duties.

POLICIES AFFECTING PROPOSAL:

N/A

CONSULTATION WITH RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS/AGENCIES:

N/A

CITY STRATEGIC COMMITMENT:

By evaluating the “Triple Bottom Line”, (community, environment, economic implications) we can make choices that create value across all three bottom lines, moving us closer to our vision for a sustainable community, and Provincial interests.

Community Well-Being is enhanced. ☑ Yes ☐ No

The purpose of the Weed Control Act is to protect people and agricultural operations from the impact of noxious weeds.

Environmental Well-Being is enhanced. ☑ Yes ☐ No

The control of noxious weeds has a positive impact on the protection of the health of people in the community and the protection and sustainability of agricultural lands.

Economic Well-Being is enhanced. ☑ Yes ☐ No

The control of noxious weeds has a positive impact on the protection of the health of people in the community and the protection and sustainability of agricultural lands.

Does the option you are recommending create value across all three bottom lines? ☑ Yes ☐ No

The appointment of Weed Inspectors creates value across the community, environmental and economic well-being of the City.

Do the options you are recommending make Hamilton a City of choice for high performance public servants? ☐ Yes ☑ No
CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 06-____

To Repeal By-law No. 03-34
Being a By-law to appoint Weed Inspectors for the City of Hamilton

Pursuant to the provision of Section 8(1) of the Weed Control Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter W.5, the Council of a Municipality may appoint one or more weed inspectors;

WHEREAS, it is deemed expedient to appoint Municipal Weed Inspectors.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. That the following individuals be appointed as Weed Inspectors for the City of Hamilton:

   D. Moxam  P. McFarland  B. Weaver  J. Flaherty
   J. Holmes  A. Dore  R. Gatto  D. Lester
   S. Gilpin  S. Bailey  C. Constant  J. Deeley
   P. Celebre  A. Carey  P. Christie  T. Propedo
   B. Rowlinson  R. Baglole  P. Brown  R. Canfor
   C. Corbin-Salmon  V. Cosentino  L. Dilks  M. Franceour
   J. Gordon  R. Kirouac  D. Lord  S. Lozicki
   B. Olmstead  P. Sertic  M. Spelic  J. Swire
   F. Turner  J. Turner  C. Vidic  R. Charlton
   K. Coombs  D. Rose  J. Downey

2. That the Weed Inspectors shall carry out the provisions of the Weed Control Act and the regulations thereto.

3. And further, the following By-laws are hereby repealed:
ENACTMENT

4. This By-law shall come into force and effect on the date of its passing and enactment.

ENACTED and PASSED this day of , 2006

Mayor

Clerk