PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF MOTION

Committee Date: May 31, 2010

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR C. COLLINS......................................................

Environmental Pricing Reform Pilot Project for Hamilton

Whereas, Environmental Pricing Reform (EPR) is the name given to a set of fiscal, tax and planning policy instruments that seek to use pricing to influence behaviour in support of environmental and economic policy;

And Whereas, examples of EPR policy instruments include water, sewage and storm-water rates, development charge methods, road pricing, land value taxation approaches and other innovative or new user fees;

And Whereas, Sustainable Prosperity, a think tank out of the University of Ottawa leading this effort in Canada, would like to undertake a pilot project with the City of Hamilton.

Therefore Be It Resolved:

That City staff work with Sustainable Prosperity to investigate environmental pricing concepts for Hamilton, and that this work include participating in a local workshop on the subject in Fall, 2010.