Public Works Committee
REPORT 08-015
9:30 a.m.
Monday, October 6, 2008
Hamilton Convention Centre
One Summer’s Lane
Albion Rooms A, B and C

Present:
Chair R. Powers
Vice Chair C. Collins
Mayor F. Eisenberger; Councillors B. Bratina, L. Ferguson,
T. Jackson, M. McCarthy, S. Merulla, D. Mitchell

Also Present:
S. Stewart – General Manager, Public Works
J. Rinaldo – A/City Manager
G. Moore – A/Sr. Director, Capital Planning and
Implementation
J. Stephen – Manager, Strategic Planning
B. Shynal – Director, Operations and Maintenance
D. Hull – Director, Transit Operations
J. Mater – Director, Energy, Fleet and Facilities
B. Goodger – Director, Waste Management
J. Harnum – Sr. Director, Water and Wastewater
C. Biggs – Legislative Assistant, City Clerk’s

THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 08-016 AND
RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Minutes of Various Sub-Committees (Item 5.1)

That the following items be received:

(a) Glanbrook Landfill Co-ordinating Committee – August 25, 2008

(b) Clean City Liaison Committee

   (i) July 18, 2008
   (ii) September 16, 2008

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2. **Intersection Control List (PW08001(g)) (Ward 11) (Item 5.2)**

   That the appropriate By-law to provide traffic control as follows, be passed and enacted:

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3. **Stoney Creek Urban Boundary Expansion (SCUBE), Transportation Master Plan (PW08114) (Wards 10 and 11) (Item 5.3)**

   (a) That the Stoney Creek Urban Boundary Expansion (SCUBE) Transportation Master Plan be endorsed;

   (b) That the General Manager, Public Works, be authorized and directed to file the Stoney Creek Urban Boundary Expansion (SCUBE) Transportation Master Plan with the Municipal Clerk for a minimum thirty day public review period;

   (c) That upon completion of the thirty day public review period, the General Manager, Public Works, be authorized and directed to program and include the recommended projects/studies in the capital budget for future years, save and except for the study for the inter-regional, multi-modal transportation terminal proposed at the south west quadrant of Fifty Road and South Service Road in Stoney Creek which is identified as the top priority project recognizing that there are active applications with the City for the development of these lands and is to begin immediately following the 30 day review period.

4. **Larger Blue Boxes for Curbside Recycling Materials (PW08112) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)**

   That Report PW08112 respecting Larger Blue Boxes for Curbside Recycling Materials, be received and referred to the Solid Waste Management Master Plan Steering Committee for further investigation and additional options for consideration, and report back to the Public Works Committee.

5. **Rapid Transit Feasibility Study – Phase 2 (PW08043(c)) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)**

   (a) That report PW08043(c) be received;

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(b) That the General Manager, Public Works be authorized to and provide a copy of report PW08043c to the Metrolinx CAO and Chair of the Metrolinx Board for their information and consideration in the development of the final Regional Transportation Plan, Investment Strategy and 2009 – 2013 (5-year) Capital Budget.

CARRIED

6. City of Hamilton Purchase of 43-45 Cherry Beach Road, in the former City of Stoney Creek, from George McClary and Lois McClary (PED08221/PW08071(a)) (Ward 10) (Item 8.1)

(a) That an Option to Purchase, with an Authority to Enter, executed by George McClary and Lois McClary on August 28, 2008, being subject to a satisfactory environmental review and scheduled to close on or before December 22, 2008 to purchase the lands described as part of Lot 18, Broken Front Concession 8 in the former Township of Saltfleet, with a frontage of 27.43 metres (90 feet) more or less, in the former City of Stoney Creek, now in the City of Hamilton, known municipally as 43 - 45 Cherry Beach Road, (shown on the attached Appendix “A” to Report PED08221 / PW08071a), be approved and completed, at a purchase price not to exceed $526,000;

(b) That subject to approval of section (a) that the total acquisition costs in the amount of $665,000 (including purchase price, demolition, legal, real estate costs and contingency) be pre-approved in the 2009 Capital Budget as Project ID 4400856144 (Cherry Beach), with funding from the Parkland Dedication Reserve 104090;

(c) That as consideration, the amount of $2 paid to the owners pursuant to the agreement, be deducted from the purchase price;

(d) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized and directed to execute any necessary documents, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

(e) That upon City Council approval of the purchase of and funding for 43 – 45 Cherry Beach Road, that the Director of Energy, Fleet and Facilities be authorized and directed to take all the necessary steps for the demolition of the subject buildings, and that the cost for the demolition and any additional ancillary expenses be charged to Account 59259-4400856144 (Cherry Beach Land Acquisition and Parkland Development Account) and that any Legal fees or costs incurred by the City Solicitor in this matter be charged to Account 59259-4400856144 (Cherry Beach Land Acquisition and Parkland Development Account);

(f) That the costs incurred for the provision of real estate service in the amount of $10,000 be credited to Account 47702-3560150200 (Property Purchases and Sales) and debited from Account 59259-4400856144 (Cherry Beach Land Acquisition and Parkland Development Account).
7. McCormick Rankin Corporation – Construction of the Downtown Multi-Modal Transportation Centre (PW08110) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

That the General Manager of Public Works be authorized and directed to negotiate a single source contract for the Detailed Design Contract Tender Preparation and Construction Contract Administration and Site Inspection for the construction of the Downtown Multi-Modal Transportation Centre on McNab Street to McCormick Rankin Corporation to an upset limit of $1.2 million, to be funded from Account No. 53006-85001 – Downtown Transit Terminal.

8. Long Range Waste Disposal Options for the City of Hamilton (PW08113) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

(a) That the recommendations of the July 11, 2008 Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan Joint Working Group meeting, as follows, be approved;

(i) That the Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan staff report be received;

(ii) That the Niagara Region and City of Hamilton, represented by current members of the WastePlan Joint Working Group or other members of the Niagara Region Waste Management Planning Steering Committee and the Hamilton Solid Waste Management Master Plan Steering Committee members, continue to meet not less than annually or at the call of the co-chairs to consider opportunities of mutual interest including but not limited to waste management;

(iii) That the Councils of the Niagara Region and City of Hamilton be requested to enter into an agreement to terminate the Agreement for Joint Study of Waste Disposal dated January 1, 2004; and that the Chair of the Niagara Region, the Mayor of the City of Hamilton and the respective Clerks be authorized to execute the agreement within three (3) months of the approval by both Councils;

(iv) That the WastePlan website at www.wasteplan.ca be posted with a notice that the site will be discontinued on a specified date to be three (3) months after, and subject to, the approval by both councils to terminate the agreement and end the Environmental Assessment (EA) Study;

(v) That subject to the approval by both Councils to terminate the agreement and end the EA Study, the Ministry of the Environment be so advised.

(b) That the City of Hamilton enter into a Termination Agreement to discontinue the waste disposal initiative and the WastePlan Environmental Assessment Study with Niagara Region, be approved;

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(c) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the Termination Agreement referred to in recommendation (b) above, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

(d) That Councillor Powers continue to fulfill the role of co-chair of the Working Group through the balance of the current term of Council;

(e) That private sector vendors of residual waste treatment technologies continue to be advised that the City will not be entertaining proposals unless or until the City is involved in an Environmental Screening process for an alternative disposal technology;

(f) That the Water and Wastewater and Waste Management Divisions of the Public Works Department participate in the Energy From Waste (EFW) Integration Study process with Hamilton Utilities Corporation (HUC);

(g) That the City’s portion of the Energy from Waste (EFW) Integration Study cost be funded with $42,000 from the Biosolids Management Capital Account 5160366304 and $60,000 from the WastePlan Capital Account 5120594529.

9. Contract Extension with Recycled Materials Market (ReMM) (PW06132(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

(a) That the City continue to retain the services of Recycled Materials Marketing (ReMM) for the marketing and transportation services of recyclable commodities collected from the City’s recycling program from January 1, 2009 to March 31, 2013;

(b) That funds continue to be retained in the Waste Management Operating Budget of $100,000 for marketing services (Account 55916 – 512520) and $285,000 for transportation services of recycling commodities (Account 55961 – 512520) from 2009 to 2013.

10. Frans Brinkman – Presentation re: Leash-free Parks, Drive-Thru’s and Synchronization of Traffic Signals (Item 6.1)

(a) That the presentation respecting leash-free parks, drive-thru’s and synchronization of traffic signals, be received;

(b) That the issues raised by Mr. Brinkman be referred to staff for feedback and comment and report back to the Public Works Committee;

(c) That Mr. Brinkman be invited to attend the Public Works Committee meeting at which time these issues will be presented.
11. Dr. David Adams, former Director of the UNESCO International Year for the Culture of Peace – Presentation (Item 6.3)

That the presentation from Dr. David Adams respecting the establishment of a Culture of Peace Commission for the City of Hamilton be received and that staff be directed to respond to the questions listed in the “Hamilton” presentation for a report back to the Committee of the Whole.

12. Ron Smithson, Chair, Seniors’ Advisory Committee – Annual Presentation

(a) That Seniors’ Advisory Committee – Annual Presentation, be received, with thanks;

(b) That the various traffic issues faced by seniors be taken under advisement by staff for consideration where future opportunities for improvements are presented;

(c) That the video be made available to all locations where seniors would be congregating.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk reported the following change:

(i) Delegation from Maryann Duggan deferred to a future meeting as she advised that she would be unable to attend.

On a motion, the agenda was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Item 3)

On a motion, the Minutes of the June 16, July 8 and September 15, 2008 meetings of the Public Works Committee were received, as presented.
(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

On a motion, the following delegation requests were approved:

(i) Brenda Johnson, Project Manager, Environment Hamilton, to address the Committee respecting garbage reduction at Woodward School and Passport to Hamilton Project;

(ii) Ron Rambarran, Principal, Columbia International College, to address the Committee respecting traffic concerns respecting students crossing between 1003 and 1033 Main Street West.

(e) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

(i) Frans Brinkman re: Leash-free Parks, Drive-Thru’s and Synchronization of Traffic Signals

Mr. Brinkman addressed the Committee on the following issues:

(aa) Leash-free parks – Mr. Brinkman spoke on behalf of residents in his area of Stoney Creek to request an amendment to the existing by-law and/or a solution which would permit a legal non-conforming leash free area or run-free area at DeWitt Park. He indicated that the current policy restricts parks in such a way that a leash-free zone cannot be implemented in any park in the City.

(bb) Drive thru’s – Mr. Brinkman addressed the dangerous traffic situation at the Tim Horton’s location in the Spartan strip mall at Highway #8, between DeWitt Road and the Spartan lights, and the issue of ingress and egress and cited that the planning needs to be further explored. One solution suggested by Mr. Brinkman is to extend the pedestrian island.

(cc) Synchronization of Traffic Lights – Mr. Brinkman cited that the lack of synchronization of traffic lights from Fruitland Road are contributing factors to road rage on city streets, environmental concerns and the need for anti-idling by-laws and is a major reason for red light running. He requested that all traffic lights be synchronized, starting with Fruitland Road to the Queenston Traffic Circle. He also stated that there is a need for more political awareness to get more money in the traffic budget, staffing and planning.

Mr. Brinkman submitted a written copy of his comments for the public record.
(ii) **Dr. David Adams, former Director of the UNESCO International Year for the Culture of Peace**

Dr. David Adams, former Director of the UNESCO International Year for the Culture of Peace, addressed the Committee to speak to the goal of a Culture of Peace Commission for Hamilton. The Committee was distributed with two pieces of material, one outlining the purpose of a Culture of Peace Commission internationally, and the other outlining the outputs/results, activities, purpose and timing of a Culture of Peace Commission specifically in Hamilton.

Dr. Adams was accompanied by Professor Dick Preston and Gail Rappolt, representatives of the Hamilton Culture of Peace Network.

Copies of this material have been retained in the Office of the City Clerk for the public record.

(f) **STAFF PRESENTATIONS**

(i) **Ron Smithson, Chair, Seniors’ Advisory Committee – Annual Presentation**

Ron Smithson, Chair of the Seniors’ Advisory Committee (SAC), introduced the video to the Committee, stating that the reason for creating the video is because of a number of accidents involving senior pedestrians. The project was funded with a grant from New Horizons, and the Committee partnered with 3rd year students from Mohawk College to compile the video. Although there is no dialogue throughout the video, it clearly demonstrates what is right and what is wrong. To date, the video has been shown to two seniors groups at the YMCA and Sackville Hill Seniors’ Centre, and the SAC are in the process of distributing the video to various community organizations.

(ii) **Rapid Transit Feasibility Study – Phase 2 (PW0804(c)) (City Wide)**

Jill Stephen, Manager of Strategic Planning, gave a power point presentation on Phase 2 of the Rapid Transit Feasibility Study, which included the following:

- Background/history of Rapid Transit in Hamilton
- Corridors under consideration
- Current technologies – BRT/LRT
- Rapid Transit Feasibility Study – opportunities and constraints for both LRT and BRT along Main/King (B-line) and James/Upper James (A-Line)
Claremont Access/Lane Reduction Impact  
Staging Analysis Evaluation  
Terms of Reference  
Results of Public Input  
Impact Analysis  
Metrolinx – Draft Regional Transportation Plan  
Metrolinx – Draft RTP (Hamilton corridors)  
Summary/Recommendations/Next Steps.

On a motion, the presentation was received.

(g) LONG RANGE WASTE DISPOSAL OPTIONS FOR THE CITY OF HAMILTON (PW08113) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

Councillor S. Merulla indicated that he wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to sub-sections (e), (f) and (g) of Report PW08113.

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

(i) Outstanding Business List

Streetscape Cigarette Butt Receptacle Program  
Due Date: October 6, 2008  
Revised Due Date: November 17, 2008

On a motion, the Outstanding Business List was amended accordingly.

(ii) Construction Project Signage

At the request of Councillor Collins, staff was directed to revise the construction project signage to include the name and phone number of the Project Manager, so that constituents will know who to contact in the event of any inquiries.

(i) PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

(i) Approval of Minutes of Closed Session Meeting held on June 16, 2008

On a motion, the Minutes of the Closed Session of the Public Works Committee meeting of September 15, 2008 were received. These Minutes will remain confidential and restricted from public disclosure in accordance with exemptions provided in the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.
There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor R. Powers
Chair
Public Works Committee

Carolyn Biggs
Legislative Assistant
October 6, 2008