Public Works, Infrastructure and Environment Committee

REPORT 06-015
As amended by Council October 25, 2006
9:30 a.m.
Monday, October 16, 2006
Council Chambers
2nd Floor, Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present: Councillors M. McCarthy, Chair, S. Merulla, Vice-Chair
Councillors D. Braden, C. Collins, P. Bruckler, T. Jackson,
D. Mitchell, and M. Pearson

Absent with regrets: Councillor M. Ferguson, Illness

Also Present: Councillors B. McHattie and T. Whitehead
Scott Stewart, General Manager, G. Davis, B. Goodger,
J. Harnum, D. Hull, J. Mater, C. Murray, B. Shynal,
R. D'Angelo, H. Solomon, E. Switenky, M. L. Tanner–
Public Works Department
R. Male, Purchasing Division
D. Edwards, Legal Services
I. Bedioui, Clerk’s Office

THE PUBLIC WORKS, INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 06-015 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Volunteer/Sub-Committee Minutes – For Information (Item 5.1)
   That the following Volunteer/Sub-Committee Minutes be received for information:

   (a) Keep Hamilton Clean Committee Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2006.
   (b) Keep Hamilton Clean Committee Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2006.
2. Designated Right Turn Lane - East Street North between Cootes Drive and King Street East (PW06130) - (Ward 13) (Item 5.2)

(a) That the east curb lane of East Street North between Cootes Drive and King Street East be designated as a northbound Right Turn Lane.

(b) That the by-law outlined in Report PW06130 as Appendix “A” to amend the City of Hamilton Traffic By-law 01-215 be passed and enacted.

3. Intersection Control List – October 16, 2006 (PW06001h) (Wards 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, & 11) (Item 5.3)

That the appropriate By-law be presented to Council to provide traffic control as follows:

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<th>Intersection</th>
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<td>(a) Allandale St.</td>
<td>Hope Ave.</td>
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<td>(b) Blackthorne Ave.</td>
<td>Millwood Pl.</td>
<td>N/C</td>
<td>S/B</td>
<td>W. of Upper Wentworth, S. of Mohawk Rd.</td>
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<td>(c) Huntington Ave.</td>
<td>Brentwood Dr.</td>
<td>N/C</td>
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<td>E. of Upper Ottawa, S. of Fennell</td>
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<td>(d) Huntington Ave.</td>
<td>Kingslea Dr.</td>
<td>N/C</td>
<td>E/B</td>
<td>E. of Upper Ottawa, S. of Fennell</td>
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<td>(e) Uplands Ave.</td>
<td>Franklin Ave.</td>
<td>N/C</td>
<td>N/B</td>
<td>N. of King St, W. of Hwy 403</td>
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<td>(f) Guyatt Rd.</td>
<td>Hendershot Rd.</td>
<td>N/B &amp; S/B</td>
<td>All Way</td>
<td>E. of Hwy 56, S. of RR 20</td>
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<td>(g) Hess St.</td>
<td>Market St.</td>
<td>E/B &amp; W/B</td>
<td>All Way</td>
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4. Cleanfield Energy Corporation Update Small Wind Turbine Pilot Program Proposal to the City of Hamilton (City Wide) - (PW06093a) (Item 5.4)

That Report PW06093a respecting Cleanfield Energy Corporation Update Small Wind Turbine Pilot Program Proposal to the City of Hamilton be received for information.
5. **Citizen Appointment to the City of Hamilton Waste Reduction Task Force - (PW06131) - (City Wide) (Item 5.5)**

That the following citizens be appointed to the City of Hamilton Waste Reduction Task Force for the noted term of office:

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<td>Karin Maja Larsen</td>
<td>Education</td>
<td>December 31, 2007</td>
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<td>Daniel Rodrigues</td>
<td>Business</td>
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6. **Four Day Waste Collection Week Review (PW06033a) (City Wide) (Item 5.7)**

That Report PW06033a respecting Four Day Waste Collection Week Review be received.

7. **Chedoke Farms Fessenden Subdivision Petition – Sewer Backups (PW06053a) (Ward 8) (Item 5.8)**

(a) That Report PW06053a respecting Chedoke Farms Fessenden Subdivision Petition be received.

(b) That Item M respecting a petition from the Chedoke Farms Fessenden Subdivision regarding sewer backups be removed from the outstanding business list.

8. **The SERG Community Panel**

That the *Independent Community Panel Report to the City of Hamilton* dated September 2006 be received for information.

9. **Recycling Program Update (PW06064b) (City Wide) (Item 5.6)**

That report PW06064b respecting Recycling Program Update be received for information.

10. **Unsolicited Proposal from Canada Fibers Limited (Added Item 7.2)**

(a) That the General Manager of Public Works and the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized and directed to receive and review, on a confidential basis, the unsolicited proposal from the City of Hamilton’s (“City”) current operator of the City’s Materials Recycling Facility (“MRF”), Canada
Fibers Ltd. (“CFL”), for the design, construction and operation of a single stream processing system at the MRF, to determine if the unsolicited proposal is cost effective or beneficial for the City;

(b) That the receipt and review of the unsolicited proposal from CFL be subject to CFL first agreeing in writing to:

(i) the City’s unconditional use of all of the information contained in the unsolicited proposal, including but not limited to the use of any of such information in the issuance of a procurement process for the design, construction and operation of a single stream MRF, except that the public disclosure of any of such information will be subject to the provisions of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act;

(ii) the waiving of all claims against the City with respect to the City’s use of the information contained in the unsolicited proposal as set out in clause (b)(i) above; and

(iii) the waiving of all claims against the City should the City choose not to enter into a contract with CFL as a result of the unsolicited proposal for any reason whatsoever.

All documentation reflecting the foregoing shall have content acceptable to the General Manager of Public Works and General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services, and shall be in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

(c) That should the initial review of the unsolicited proposal from CFL determine that further consideration of the unsolicited proposal is warranted, a staff report be presented at the December 13, 2006 Committee of the Whole meeting for consideration and further direction;

(d) That should the initial review of the unsolicited proposal determine that the unsolicited proposal is not cost effective or beneficial to the City, in the opinion of the General Manager of Public Works and the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services, that the General Manager of Public Works be authorized to proceed with a Request for Proposals for the design, construction and operation of a single stream processing system at the MRF.

(e) That the General Manager of Public Works and the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services, or their designates, be authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the City, any documents necessary to implement subsections (a) and (b), in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
11. Proposed Outdoor Boulevard Café - 110 King Street West, Hamilton (PW06134) - (Ward 2) (item 8.3)

(a) That the application of the operator of the “Honest Lawyer” restaurant, to erect and maintain an outdoor boulevard café within the King Street West road allowance abutting Jackson Square, be approved, subject to the following conditions:

(i) That the applicant enter into an Outdoor Boulevard Café agreement in a form satisfactory to the General Manager, Public Works or his designate and the City Solicitor.

(ii) That the applicant pays an annual fee based on 5% of the land value of the square footage utilized, at such time as the current moratorium on encroachment fees ends.

(iii) That the applicant provide proof of $5,000,000 public liability insurance, naming the City of Hamilton and holding the City harmless from all actions, causes of action, interest, claims, demands, damages, expenses and loss.

(iv) That the applicant occupy the licensed area of the boulevard from May 1 to October 31 only and that all furniture, equipment etc. be removed from the road allowance at all other times.

(v) That the applicant adheres to the Barrier Free Design Guidelines of the City of Hamilton approved by Council in May of 2006.

(vi) That the location of the boulevard café allows one continuous section of Urban Braille to remain unimpeded.

(b) That the Boulevard Café Agreement be executed by the General Manager, Public Works, or his designate, in accordance with the delegated authority granted by Section 3 of the 3rd Report of the 1999 Finance and Administration Committee, adopted by the former City of Hamilton Council on February 9, 1999.

12. Contract Extension with Recycled Materials Marketing (ReMM) (PW06132) - (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

(a) That Recycled Materials Marketing (ReMM) continue to be retained for the marketing of the City’s recyclables for 2007 and 2008.

(b) That the General Manager of Public Works be authorized to enter into an agreement with ReMM.
(c) That the annual cost not exceed $100,000 and be funded from operating account No. 512520-55916.

13. Regional Road 56 - From Approximately 150 Metres North of Southbrook Drive to Approximately 300 Metres Northerly (Municipal Address: 3087 Regional Road 56), Municipal Act Project - (PW06135/PED06420) - (Ward 11) (Item 8.5)

(a) That pursuant to the Municipal Act, a cost recovery mechanism be implemented in order that the City can exercise its “Best Efforts” to recover and repay the developer of Elizabeth Gardens Phase 3 plan of subdivision an estimated cost of $204,407.70, from benefitting property owners for their apportioned share of the construction of a sanitary sewer, including one sanitary private drain connection per property, on Regional Road 56 from approximately 150m north of Southbrook Drive to approximately 300m northerly (municipal address 3087 Regional Road 56).

(b) That pursuant to the Municipal Act, a cost recovery mechanism be implemented in order that the City can exercise its “Best Efforts” to recover and repay the developer of Elizabeth Gardens, Phase 3 plan of subdivision an estimated cost of $117,059.60, from existing benefitting property owners for their apportioned share of the construction of a watermain, including one water service connection per property, on Regional Road 56 from approximately 150m north of Southbrook Drive to approximately 300m northerly (municipal 3087 Regional Road 56).

(c) That the charges for the municipal infrastructure outlined in recommendation (a) and (b) shall be payable if and when the benefitting property owners, as outlined in Appendix A attached hereto connect to the Regional Road 56 sanitary sewer and/or watermain.

(d) That an appropriate warning and liability clause, absolving the City of Hamilton of all liabilities for failed septic systems, be added to notices sent to the property owners on Regional Road 56 and the municipal water connection permits issued by the City to the land owners. This clause to be added if a property owner chooses to connect to the watermain and not to the sanitary sewer. This is due to the increased availability of water resulting in the increased possibility of septic system failure.

(e) That the General Manager of Finance and Corporate Services be authorized and directed to prepare the necessary cost recovery by-law.
14. **Access and Egress from Pioneer Gas Station, Upper Centennial Parkway between Mud Street & Green Mountain Road (PW06133) - (Ward 9) - Public Works, Infrastructure & Environment Committee Outstanding Business List (Item 8.6)**

(a) That access and egress improvements for the Pioneer Gas Station situated on Upper Centennial between Mud Street and Green Mountain Road be planned and coordinated with future roadway improvements.

(b) That staff be directed to work with the Ward Councillor on implementing any interim action that can be taken to address traffic safety concerns.

(c) That the item relating to the Access and Egress from Pioneer Gas Station on Upper Centennial Parkway across from Green Mountain Road be removed from the Public Works, Infrastructure and Environment Committee Outstanding Business list.

15. **Traffic Signal Control Units Tender Award - Contract No. C11-29-06 (PW06136) - (City Wide) (Item 8.7)**

(a) That Innovative Traffic Solutions Inc., as the lowest compliant bidder, be awarded the contract for the supply of traffic signal controller units for 2006-2009.

(b) That the initial purchase of the traffic signal control units be funded from approved capital accounts, 53051-4030614008, New Traffic Signal Installation; 53051-4030614010, IPS and Traffic Signal Modernization; 53051-4030514509, Traffic Signal Enhancements and 53051-4030615019, Traffic Signal Replacement.

(c) That the total purchase not exceed $920,000 in 2006.

(d) That pending capital budget approval for 2007, 2008 and 2009, the total purchase price of the traffic signal control units for those years not exceed $495,000, $505,000 and $515,000 respectively.

16. **Provincial Gas Tax Transit Master Plan Steering Committee Report 06-006**

(a) **Bike Racks on City buses**

That staff be directed to install bike racks on City buses in phases and the first phase be implemented in 2007 with the installation of the maximum number of bike racks that would not impede the
storage of buses in the garage, and subsequent phases be implemented as more space becomes available when accommodation issues for Transit are addressed.

17. Provincial Gas Tax Transit Master Plan Steering Committee Report 06-007 (2007 Proposed Service Enhancements) (Item 8.9)

(a) Promotional Partnership between HSR and Hamilton Area B.I.A.’s (Item 6.2)
That gas tax funds in the amount of $500.00 be provided to the Hamilton Area B.I.A.’s to be used towards the printing costs of a promotional brochure.

(b) Contest Award for Artist with winning Design (Item 6.3)
That the Marketing Sub-Committee of TMPSC be authorized to award an honorarium to a maximum limit of $2,000.00 to the successful artist in the Articulated BRT buses exterior paint scheme design contest, to be funded from previously approved contingency contained in Report PW06092 Conventional Transit Fleet Purchase.

(c) Support for Bus Rapid Transit (B.R.T.) from Senior Governments
That City Council communicate with the Federal and Provincial Governments advising them that funding is required for Bus Rapid Transit (B.R.T.) in Hamilton.

(d) Bus Rapid Transit Promotion Sub-Committee
(i) That a TMPSC Marketing & Communications Sub-Committee be established to advise on branding and promoting the City’s Bus Rapid Transit launch.
(ii) That the following members be appointed to the Sub-Committee: Paul Shaker, Cindy Slinn, Brendan Simons and Councillor Brian McHattie.

(e) Establishment of Bus Rapid Transit Office (Item 6.1)
That the Public Works Department establish a Bus Rapid Transit Office as recommended in the City’s Transportation Master Plan.

(f) 2007 Transit Service Enhancements (City Wide) (Item 7.1)
(i) That the following conventional and specialized transit service enhancements be considered in the 2007 Budget

(1) Heritage Green area: Route #11 Parkdale realignment, Route #43 Stone Church realignment & addition of new Route #59 Upper Centennial

(2) Route #10 Beeline duration increase
(3) Accessible taxi pilot program
(4) Taxi Scrip subsidy increase

(ii) That staff submit the required Program Enhancement Requests, reflecting a change in net operating costs of $2,659,170 for inclusion in the 2007 Transit Division Budget submission.

(iii) That allocation of gas tax funds for the operating costs of service enhancements (i.e. transit service requests) not exceed 25 percent of the cost of the service enhancement, and that additional funds for these enhancements come from increasing revenue from the tax levy through adjustments to area rating, and from increased fare revenues resulting from the new services.

(g) Hamilton Health Sciences Pilot Transit Initiative (New Business)

That Provincial gas tax monies be used to provide a one time funding in the amount of $39,780.00 to the Hamilton Health Sciences Pilot Transit Initiative to be used to provide a discounted transit pass (20%) to its employees for a one-year pilot to commence in January 2007, with the understanding that HHS and its employees will be contributing $79,560 to the pilot.

18. Re-establishment of Sub-Committees Reporting to the Public Works Committee (CL06011(d)) (City Wide) (Item 8.12)

(a) That the Sub-Committees as outlined in Appendix “B” attached hereto be re-established, to report to the Public Works Committee in the next term of Council;

(b) That the Sub-Committees as outlined in Appendix “C” attached hereto be disbanded as their mandates have been completed;
(c) That the required Council appointments for each Sub-Committee, in accordance with the composition as shown, be determined at the caucus meeting of the new term of Council;

(d) That the citizen composition of the following Sub-Committees, be re-affirmed:

(i) Glanbrook Landfill Co-Ordinating Committee:
    5 citizen representatives

(ii) Hess Village Pedestrian Mall
    2 citizen representatives

(iii) Niagara/Hamilton WastePlan Joint Working Group
    1 citizen representative from the City of Hamilton plus an alternate
    1 citizen representative from the Region of Niagara plus an alternate

(iv) Provincial Gas Tax Transit Master Plan Steering Committee
    2 representatives from the education sector
    1 representative from the Hamilton Association of Business Improvement Areas
    1 representative from the Transit User’s Group
    1 representative from the Senior’s Advisory Committee
    1 representative from the Accessibility Committee for Persons with Disabilities
    1 representative from the Chamber of Commerce
    6 members of the public representing each of the Transit Service Areas
    2 members from the public-at-large.

(v) SERGE (Storm Event Reponses Group)
    5 citizen members (including experts from the community in storm management, insurance, climatology, wastewater management and other related fields as required)

(vi) The Waste Reduction Task Force (WRTF)
    14 members of the public representing a cross section of the community

(e) That the terms for the citizen members be for the term of the 2006-2010 Council, or until such time as their respective mandates have been completed, or successors appointed.
19. School Zone Speed Limit Changes - Queen Victoria Drive and Queensbury Drive (Item 9.1)

(a) That the speed limit on Queen Victoria Drive from a point 65m west of Rochelle Avenue to Queenslea Drive be set at 40 km/h.

(b) That the speed limit on Queensbury Drive between Upper Ottawa Street and Queen Victoria Drive be set at 40 km/h.

(c) That the appropriate by-law outlining the amendments indicated in subsections (a) and (b) be presented to Council for consideration and enactment.

20. Security Master Plan - (PW06021a) - (City Wide) (Item 12.1)

(a) That the 2007 Operating Budget enhancement of $200,000 for security be included in the 2007 Operating Budget for Council’s consideration.

(b) That the Security Master Plan, attached to Report PW06021a, be received.

(c) That Report PW06021a entitled Security Master Plan and Appendix A attached thereto be made available to the public.

(d) That the Security Management Plan remain private and confidential.

The following Items 21 and 22 were added:

21. Moratorium on Outdoor Patio Boulevard Encroachment Fees (PW05040a) (City Wide) TABLED April 3, 2006 (Item 8.2a)

(a) That Report PW05040a respecting Moratorium on Outdoor Patio Boulevard Encroachment Fees be received;

(b) That the existing moratorium on outdoor patio boulevard encroachment fees for outdoor boulevard cafés, be extended indefinitely;

(c) That the outdoor boulevard patio season be extended from the existing period of May 1st to October 31st to a “year round” or 12 month term;
(d) That the item relating to Patio Fees be removed from the Public Works, Infrastructure and Environment Committee Outstanding Business List.

22. Woodward WWTP Certificate of Approval No. 0701-6L5PAB - Appeal to Environmental Review Tribunal (PW06138/LS06014) - (City Wide)
   (a) That the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to take all necessary actions to appeal Certificate of Approval No. 0701-6L5PAB for the Woodward Avenue Wastewater Treatment Plant.
   (b) That the City Solicitor and General Manager of Public Works be authorized if and when they deem it appropriate, to enter into discussion with the Ministry of the Environment to attempt to resolve the issues under appeal and to inform City Council on the outcome of any such resolution.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1):

The Clerk advised of the following changes to the agenda which were approved:

(i) Mr. Joe Stanicak who is delegation Item 6.1 has withdrawn his delegation request at this time as he wishes to resubmit his patio application.

(ii) Added staff recommendation and presentation Item 7.2 respecting unsolicited proposal from Canada Fibers Limited

(iii) Item 5.6 respecting report PW0604b entitled Recycling Program Update lifted from Consent Items Section and moved to Presentations section with Item 7.2 as both are related.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None declared.

(c) MINUTES (Item 3)

The Minutes of the October 2, 2006 meeting were approved as presented.
(d) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

(i) Joe Stanicak, respecting his pending patio application for 216-218 Locke Street South (Item 6.1)
   Withdrawn.

(ii) Wayne Battaglio regarding the posting of signs along Mud St. discouraging the use of Jake Brakes on trucks. (Approved October 2, 2006) (Item 6.2)

Mr. Wayne Battaglio addressed Committee. He submitted a petition with 62 signatures of homeowners that back onto Mud Street between paramount Drive and Winterberry Street requesting that measures be taken to reduce the loud noise of engine brakes from transport trucks and to reduce the speed limit.

Mr. Battaglio indicated that the current speed limit is unsafe and contributes to the noise problems. He also pointed out that the noise barriers along Mud Street were inconsistent – some are stone construction and some are wood construction.

Staff indicated that they would work with Councillor Bruckler to look at reducing the speed limits and to address the other concerns expressed by Mr. Battaglio and the petitioners.

Councillor Pearson requested that staff look at the congestion that occurs on Mud Street where it narrows at the intersection of Winterberry Street and possibly mitigating this by posting signs to warn the motorists that the road narrows.

The Committee received the delegation and referred the petition to staff to work with the Ward Councillor on the concerns expressed.

(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS

(i) The SERG Community Panel (item 7.1)

Mr. Carl Bodimeade, Chair of the SERGE Community Panel, made a PowerPoint presentation with the assistance of Gerry Davis and Mary Lou Tanner.

A hand out of the presentation and a copy of the Independent Community Panel’s Report were distributed to the Committee.
Mr. Bodimeade covered the following topics:

- When the Independent Panel was established.
- Membership and Mandate of the Panel
- Activities of the Panel and Observations
- Risk Analysis and Observations
- An overview of the Panel’s key recommendations as outlined in the Report

Mr. Bodimeade and staff responded to questions posed by the Committee. The Committee acknowledged that steps taken to date have improved the situation and no major flooding has occurred despite the recent heavy rains.

The Committee received the presentation and the report of the Independent Panel and thanked the Panel and staff for their efforts to date.

(ii) Unsolicited Proposal from Canada Fibers Limited (item 7.2)

Beth Goodger made a PowerPoint presentation explaining the steps that are required to prepare for the collection of recycling material in April 2008. She referred to Report PW06064b entitled Recycling Program Update which was lifted from the Consent Items section of the agenda. The Report indicates that five (5) tenders and Requests for Proposals (RFP’s) are required to implement the recycling program.

Beth Goodger advised that an unsolicited proposal was received from Canada Fibers Limited which staff could consider with the approval of Council.

She referred to the staff recommendation which was distributed at the Committee as added Item 7.2.

The Committee discussed the pros and cons of accepting an unsolicited proposal. Purchasing staff and Waste Management staff answered questions posed by the Committee.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the staff recommendation on the following votes:

**Yeas:** Braden, Bruckler, Jackson, Mitchell, Pearson, and McCathy

**Total:** 6

**Nays:** Collins and Merulla

**Total:** 2

**Absent:** Ferguson

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Councillor Braden requested that staff report back on lesson’s learned if the unsolicited bid is approved.

(f) Proposed Outdoor Boulevard Café - 218 Locke Street South, Hamilton (PW06139) - (Ward 1) (See Item 8.1)

On a motion (Merulla/Collins) Report PW06139 respecting Proposed Outdoor Boulevard Café – 218 Locke Street South, Hamilton was TABLED to allow the applicant to resubmit his patio application.

(g) Moratorium on Outdoor Patio Boulevard Encroachment Fees (PW05040a) (City Wide) TABLED April 3, 2006(Item 8.2a)

On a motion (Merulla/Collins) Report PW05040a respecting Moratorium on Outdoor Patio Boulevard Encroachment Fees which was TABLED at the Public Works, Infrastructure and Environment Committee was LIFTED from the table.

The Committee discussed the issue and it was unclear whether the B.I.A’s were in favour of the extended patio season.

On a motion (Merulla/Collins) Report PW05040a respecting Moratorium on Outdoor Patio Boulevard Encroachment Fees was re-TABLED until the next Council meeting in order that it can be confirmed whether the extended patio season was to be approved.

(h) Regional Road 56 - From Approximately 150 Metres North of Southbrook Drive to Approximately 300 Metres Northerly (Municipal Address: 3087 Regional Road 56), Municipal Act Project - (PW06135/PED06420) - (Ward 11) (Item 8.5)

Councillor Mitchell questioned what appeared to be an inequity in the implementation of the Development Charges. Staff explained the City’s policy. The Chair recommended to Councillor Mitchell that he raise these issues at the Development Charges Committee.

(i) Access and Egress from Pioneer Gas Station, Upper Centennial Parkway between Mud Street & Green Mountain Road (PW06133) - (Ward 9) - Public Works, Infrastructure & Environment Committee Outstanding Business List

Councillor Bruckler requested that staff work with him on implementing interim measures to address the traffic safety concerns at this location and the Committee amended the staff recommendation to include this direction to staff.
(j) Provincial Gas Tax Transit Master Plan Steering Committee Report 06-006 (Item 8.8)

Don Hull explained to Committee that as staff have already advised Council in the past, Recommendation (a) of this Report was premature as the current garage can't accommodate the installation of bike racks on buses. This won't be feasible until 2008.

The Committee concluded that nevertheless this issue can be revisited during the 2007 budgets deliberations and consequently approved the recommendation of the Steering Committee.

(k) Provincial Gas Tax Transit Master Plan Steering Committee Report 06-007 (Item 8.9)

Don Hull pointed out to Committee that Subsections (a) and (g) of Item 17 were recommendations to approve isolated requests which is contrary to previous direction given that any requests for transit improvements be considered on a global basis.

The Committee approved all the recommendations of the Steering Committee Report and the votes for Item 17 subsection (g) were as follows:

Yeas: Braden, Bruckler, Collins, Jackson, Merulla, Mitchell, and McCathy
Total: 7
Nays: Pearson
Total: 1
Absent: Ferguson

(l) D.A.R.T.S. Board – Minutes – verbal update (Item 8.10)

Staff advised Committee that the recent review of the DARTS Board directed that the Minutes be presented to the Standing Committee. The Minutes of the DARTS Board will be included on the next Public Works Committee agenda.

(m) Woodward WWTP Certificate of Approval No. 0701-6L5PAB - Appeal to Environmental Review Tribunal (PW06138/LS06014) - (City Wide) (Item 8.11)

On a motion (Merulla/Collins) Report PW06138/LS06014 respecting Woodward WWTP Certificate of Approval No. 0701-6L5PAB – Appeal to Environmental Review Tribunal was TABLED until the next Council
meeting in order for staff to provide any available documentation from the Ministry of the Environment with respect to its position on the issue that is the subject of the City’s appeal.

(n) Re-establishment of Volunteer Committees – (Keep Hamilton Clean and Hamilton Cycling Committee) (Item 8.13)

The Legislative Assistant advised Committee that the Keep Hamilton Clean and the Hamilton Cycling Committee will be re-established in the new term of Council and a report will be on the January 15, 2007 agenda with their proposed budgets.

(o) MOTIONS

Councillor Mitchell advised that his motion respecting water meters will be on the October 25, 2006 Council agenda as it is proposing an amendment to a policy which has been approved by Council. He indicated that he is please with the new policy developed by staff.

(p) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS

(i) Outstanding Business List Updates (Item 11.1):

(1) The following amendments to the Outstanding Business list were approved:

(aa) Outstanding Business List Item K, Fifty Point SubDivision Lochside Drive-diversion of storm sewer and sanitary sewer trenches. Due date October 16, 2006 (No copy). **New due date January 15, 2007.**

(bb) Outstanding Business List Item L, Urban Braille - Advisory Committee for Person with Disabilities. Due date October 17, 2006 – PED (No copy). **New due date February 19, 2007 - PED.**


(ee) Outstanding Business List Item Y, Ottawa Street BIA correspondence re: policies and by-laws regarding alleys. Due date October 16, 2006 (No copy). **New due date January 8, 2007 COW**

(ff) Outstanding Business List Item BB, Recommendations from the Seniors Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities to COW during Budget deliberations. Due date October 16, 2006 (No copy). **New due dated February 5, 2007.**

(gg) Outstanding Business List Item DD, Parking Lay-by Stone Church Road. Due date October 16, 2006 (No copy). **New due date January 15, 2007.**

(2) The following Item was removed from the outstanding business list:


(3) The following Item was referred to the 2007 budgets and removed from the outstanding business list:

Outstanding Business List Item AA, Approval of designated Right Turn Lane – Mud Street between Paramount Drive and Upper Centennial Parkway – due date October 16, 2006 (no copy).

(ii) Councillor Mitchell requested an update concerning Item C on the outstanding business list with respect to the review of the maintenance agreement for Westbrook Road.

Staff indicated that the proposed Townline Agreements have been circulated for comments and staff are currently waiting for feedback.

(iii) Councillor Braden questioned staff about snow plows and their potential to damage mail boxes on the rural roads.

(iv) Chair McCarthy noted that this was the last Committee meeting before the new term of Council and she thanked staff for all their help and acknowledged their professionalism.

(q) Private and Confidential

(i) **Security Master Plan - (PW06021a) - (City Wide) (Distributed under separate cover.)** (Item 12.1)
On a motion (Jackson/Pearson) Committee moved In-Camera to discuss a matter pertaining to the security of municipal property.

On a motion (Braden/Collins) Committee reconvened in open session.

Mr. Mel Gedruj, President of V2PM and the City’s consultant on the security master plan made a Power Point presentation and provided a hand out which outlined the development of the plan. The Committee determined that the entire staff report including Appendix A can be made public. The Security Management Plan document will remain private and confidential.

The Committee approved subsections (a) and (c) of the staff recommendation as outlined in Item 20 of this report.

(r) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting of the Public Works, Infrastructure and Environment Committee adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Margaret McCarthy, Chair
Public Works, Infrastructure and Environment Committee

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Public Works, Infrastructure and Environment Committee
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