

CITY OF HAMILTON MOTION

Committee Date: September 5, 2013

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR J. FARR.....

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR

Bi-directional Bike Lane Pilot Project – South Side of Cannon Street, from Sherman Avenue to Bay Street

Whereas Councillors B. McHattie (Ward 1), J. Farr (Ward 2) and B. Morelli (Ward 3) had earlier established the One-Way to Two-Way Street Study Group through Council motion, and;

Whereas community workshops/walk-about have since occurred on both Cannon Street and Queen Street to evaluate current traffic conditions and consider options and alternatives, and;

Whereas there is support from the study group along with increasing public support for the implementation of a "complete street" treatment of Cannon Street, which includes, but not limited to a Cannon Contra-flow blueprint from the Jamesville Neighbourhood Action Plan, the NE07 Ward 2 Participatory Budgeting Initiative and the YesWeCannon on-line campaign, and;

Whereas the City of Hamilton's Cycling Master Plan – Shifting Gears, has identified a plan for the implementation of a "Road Diet" configuration for cycling Infrastructure on Cannon Street, and;

Whereas planning on the implementation of Complete Street approaches has been recently identified through the Social Planning and Research Council's draft Complete Streets Policy, and the joint Chamber of Commerce/HIVE/City of Hamilton Sustainable Mobility workshop featuring Gil Penalosa from 8-80 Cities, and;

Whereas, in cities like New York, Chicago, Vancouver and Toronto, similar pilot projects have served to test the efficacy of complete street approaches;

Whereas Cannon street may provide for a direct multi-modal link to the Pan-Am Precinct.

Therefore be it resolved:

- (a) That a bi-directional bike lane be installed as a pilot project on the south side of Cannon Street from Sherman Avenue to Bay Street,
- (b) That through the design phase, staff contemplate various methods that include, but is not limited to bollards, paint, knock down sticks, along with a preference toward planters erected to delineate a contra-flow bike lane from the auto traffic lanes;
- (c) That the implementation of a bi-directional bike lane pilot project on Cannon Street be funded from the from the area rating capital reserves, along with appropriate sources to be identified by Public Works.