WELCOME!

To the
Centennial Neighbourhoods
Secondary Plan and
Transportation Management Plan
Information Centre

City of Hamilton

Public Information
Centre #2
Dec 1, 2015
Purpose of Tonight’s Event

- Provide a status update on the projects
- Provide an opportunity to review land use options, potential public realm improvements, streetscape options and transportation strategies
- Participate in an interactive workshop

Tonight’s Agenda

6:30   Doors Open
6:45   Presentations
7:20   Explanation of Workshop Activities
7:30 - 8:45   Workshop
8:45 - 9:00   Wrap Up
The **purpose of this study** is to develop a comprehensive Transportation Management Plan for the Centennial Neighbourhoods that will:

a) Follow the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process

b) Support the Centennial Neighbourhoods Secondary Plan study

c) Review and address existing neighbourhood transportation issues

d) Identify and evaluate options to address transportation issues
The **Centennial Neighbourhoods Transportation Master Plan (CNTMP)** study is conducted in accordance with Phase 1 and 2 of the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Process, under the Environmental Assessment Act. This is a planning and approval process that ensures that the potential effects of a project are identified and managed prior to implementation.

**Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Process**

- **Phase 1:** Problem or Opportunity
- **Phase 2:** Alternative Solutions
- **Phase 3:** Alternative Design Concepts
- **Phase 4:** Environmental Study Report
- **Phase 5:** Implementation

**Capital Project Delivery Process**

Once a specific transportation project is identified and approved, it will go through the following delivery process, subject to an approved budget by council:

- **Step 1:** Create Project and Budget
- **Step 2:** Develop Project Scope (EA if required)
- **Step 3:** Permit Approvals, Pre-design and Base Plans
- **Step 4:** Detailed Design
- **Step 5:** Utilities Coordination, Land and Tender Preparation
- **Step 6:** Construction

**Construction Timeline:** The time to deliver project can vary from 2 years for a simple rehabilitation project, to 5 years for a more complicated urban arterial reconstruction project (due to potential for EAs, land acquisition, detailed underground analysis, permits and approvals and utility coordination).
Opportunity Statement

The CNTMP is being undertaken by the City of Hamilton to plan for improved mobility to:

- Accommodate transportation needs of future land use
- Take advantage of investment from development opportunities
- Support access to major transportation services such as the QEW, Red Hill Valley Parkway, HSR, Rapid Transit and GO Transit
- Support choices including walking and cycling
- Create livable neighbourhoods and complete communities

The goals of the improvements are to create safe, efficient, and sustainable transportation, that limits impacts to the environment, and supports healthy living.
**Community Design Elements:**
- Population and employment density
- Nearness of services, including public transit
- Mix of land uses
- Many street connections
- Streetscape including facilities for pedestrians, cyclists and transit users
- Increase in bicycle parking and decrease in car parking

**Health-related Priorities:**
- Active transportation (walking cycling)
- Public transit
- Equity in transportation and housing options
- Support for all stages of the life cycle
- Safety, comfort and convenience of travel
- Social interaction
- Accessibility

These Community Design Elements provide comprehensive support for Health-related Priorities.
During Phase 1 of the study, we heard from a number of people: 12 focus group stakeholders, 86 people at PIC#1, and 12 written submissions. This is a summary of what we heard.

### Roadways:
- Speeding on residential streets
- Congestion on Red Hill Valley Parkway causes traffic to seek alternate routes in neighbourhoods
- Heavy, noisy truck traffic on Centennial and Barton is unsafe

### Regional Transit:
- GO Transit Park n Ride well liked
- How will people access the new GO Station
- Increase non-auto access to new GO Station

### Local Transit:
- Mixed opinions on potential for rapid transit expansion
- Lack of service between major destinations within the neighbourhoods
- Connect existing routes to Eastgate Square (Route 4 & 5)
- Lack of transit service to Riverdale Community Centre

### Walking:
- Important for healthy active living
- Unsafe and/or uncomfortable to walk
- Streetscaping improvements needed
- Major streets crossing times inadequate
- Sidewalks adjacent to traffic on Nash
- Missing sidewalks along portions of Lake, Centennial and Warrington
- Pedestrian access to Eastgate Square / Transit Terminal: easy from west; need better connections east to Riverdale

### Bicycling:
- Important for healthy active living
- Uncomfortable due to lack of safe facilities, fast traffic and large trucks
- Expand Hamilton Bike Share (SoBi) to the area
- Need safe connection on Centennial Parkway to Confederation Park
- New bikeways suggested for Nash, Delawana, Owen Place, Kenora, Kentley; to new GO Station and Red Hill Library; and extend King Street bike lanes
We have identified alternative transportation solutions that address the opportunity statement: accommodate transportation needs of future land use; take advantage of investment from development opportunities; support access to major transportation services such as the QEW, Red Hill Valley Parkway, and HSR, Rapid Transit and GO Transit; support choices including walking and cycling; and create livable neighbourhoods and complete communities.

The Secondary Plan land-use options will add 900 to 1,400 peak hour trips – equivalent to 2 lanes of traffic. In 2031, it is estimated that:

- The road network will operate reasonably well with some “hot spot” intersections with long delays
- Barton and Queenston west of Centennial will experience higher levels of congestion during peak periods
- Other roads approach but do not exceed their capacity to move traffic

The City-wide Transportation Master Plan vision (draft): The key objective of the Transportation Master Plan is to provide a COMPREHENSIVE AND ATTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION BLUEPRINT for Hamilton as a WHOLE that BALANCES ALL MODES OF TRANSPORTATION. The ULTIMATE GOALS include reducing dependence on single-occupant vehicles and promoting ACCESSIBILITY AND improved options for walking, cycling and transit, while maintaining and improving the efficiency of trips related to the movement of goods and servicing employment areas. THE SUCCESS OF THE PLAN WILL BE BASED ON SPECIFIC, MEASURABLE, ACHIEVABLE, RELEVANT AND PROGRAMMED RESULTS.

These alternatives will be evaluated and recommendations presented at a third PIC in Winter 2016.
CNTMP Activity #1 – Discuss the Alternatives

Discuss the transportation alternative solutions using ABC-We (30 mins.):

- **Advantages** – what makes sense
- **Best ideas** – what will work best for you and your neighbourhood
- **Concerns** – what might *not* work
- **What else** – add your ideas

Review the transportation options using ABC-We. Write your ideas on the worksheet.
After discussing the transportation options, let us know where you think the City should be making transportation investments.

Place 4 poker chips in the jars for the strategies that are most important to you.

You can put more than one chip in a jar, or you can spread them out over some or all of the jars.
The next step is to evaluate the transportation alternative solutions and present the recommended alternatives at PIC #3.

We will review comments collected at today’s Open House. Your comments will help us evaluate the transportation options. Please submit comments by December 18, 2015.

Stay involved by signing up to receive notices of future consultation:

- Public Open House No. 3 – Winter 2016
- Public Works Committee and then Council
- MCEA 30-Day Public Review

If you have any comments, concerns or questions about the study, please contact:

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