



Hamilton



Waterdown-Aldershot Transportation Master Plan Phase 2 EA Study

Information Bulletin

July 6th, 2007

THE STUDY

The Cities of Hamilton, Burlington and the Region of Halton are undertaking a Transportation Master Plan that will identify a preferred solution for the study area. The Waterdown/Aldershot draft Phase 2 Transportation Master Plan was completed for review and comment in late 2005. This draft plan recommended a suite of measures including transit, transportation demand management, and road improvements to service the projected increases in travel demand in the study area.

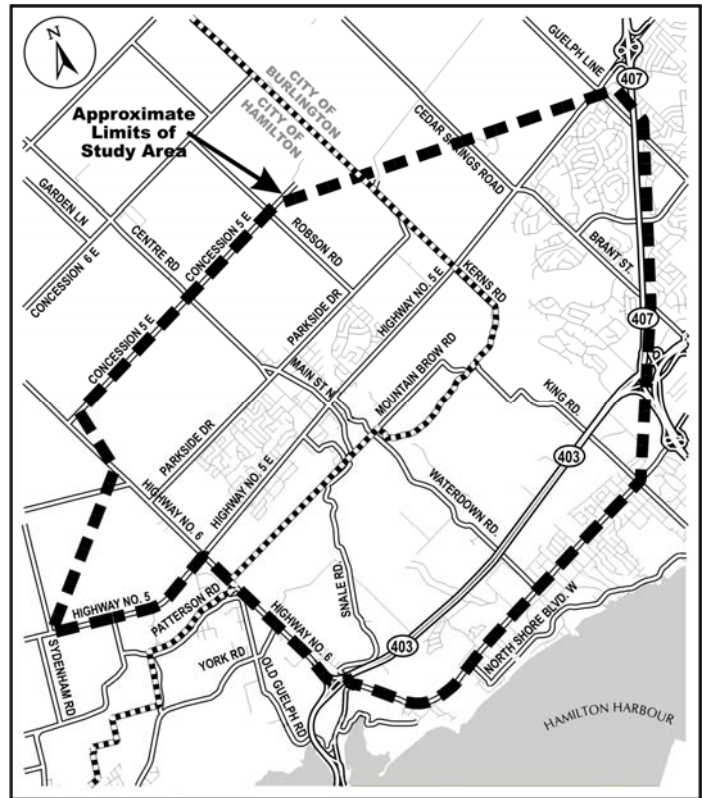
PROJECT UPDATE

On Tuesday July 3rd, 2007 Burlington City Council approved the following resolution:

THAT the findings of the Phase 2 Waterdown/Aldershot Transportation Master Plan Study Report from Dillon Consulting be received; and

THAT the Director of Engineering be directed to proceed with Phases 3 and 4 of the Waterdown/Aldershot Transportation Master Plan in conjunction with the City of Hamilton and the Region of Halton, subject to the following conditions:

- (i) *THAT Phase 3 of the Waterdown/Aldershot Transportation Master Plan Study evaluate options for a phased implementation of the 4-lane Waterdown Road that would include an initial 3-lane option as illustrated in Figure 1 of Engineering Department Report E42/07, dated June 6, 2007 along with additional transportation considerations and/or design modifications as follows:*
 - *Increased road width only from 13.3 meters to 14.2 meters (i.e. minimum road width to accommodate 4-lanes)*
 - *Inclusion of a multi-use off-road pathway up to 4.0 meters on one side of the road only*
 - *Detailed evaluation of a counter-flow traffic control option utilizing 3-lanes to provide increased peak hour capacity in order to delay for as long as feasible, or possibly eliminate the need to reconfigure Waterdown Road to four lanes; and*
 - *THAT Hamilton implement a viable public transportation system with a utilization experience of 5% to service the OPA 28 lands at 80% build out; and*



- (ii) *THAT prior to build-out of the OPA 28 lands, defined as not greater than 6,500 units, the City of Burlington undertake a separate Environmental Assessment (EA) Study pertaining to the reconfiguration of Waterdown Road to four lanes from Hwy. 403 to Mountain Brow Road; and*
- (iii) *THAT this study have a steering committee and a stakeholder group to include at least three residents of Waterdown Road representing three separate families; and*
- (iv) *THAT Phase 3 of the Waterdown/Aldershot Transportation Master Plan Study evaluate detailed alternatives and confirm a preferred design allowing King Road to remain open as a two lane roadway as illustrated in Figure 2 of Engineering Department Report E42/07, dated June 6, 2007; and*
- (v) *THAT a cost-sharing agreement with the City of Hamilton for the north-south road improvements be finalized to the satisfaction of the Director of Engineering, City Treasurer and City Solicitor and that the Director of Engineering report back to Council for final approval when an agreement is reached; and*
- (vi) *THAT priority be given to the Phase 3 work required to fully address all of the detailed design questions raised by Waterdown Road residents including, but not limited to, confirmation of the road alignment, impacts to individual properties and land acquisition requirements; and*

THAT the Director of Engineering report back to Council on the Phase 3 preferred design alternative for Waterdown Road and King Road as part of consideration and approval of the Phase 4 Waterdown/Aldershot Transportation Master Plan Environmental Study Report; and

THAT the Director of Planning be directed to initiate an amendment to the Burlington Official Plan to clarify the policies relating to Waterdown Road and distribute such draft amendment to residents of Waterdown Road in a timely fashion.

For more information about this project please visit the project website at:

www.hamilton.ca/WaterdownTMP

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