

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR CITY OF HAMILTON

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The Honourable Kathryn McGarry Minister of Transportation 3rd Floor, Ferguson Block 77 Wellesley Street West Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8

Ms. Lynn Dollin
Deputy Mayor, Town of Innisfil and
President, Association of Municipalities of Ontario
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Dear Minister McGarry and Ms. Dollin,

At its meeting of February 28, 2018, Hamilton City Council approved Item 7.3 which reads as follows:

Urging the Provincial Government to invest in Cycling Infrastructure

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government has implemented *CycleON: Ontario's Cycling Strategy* with the vision of seeing cycling recognized, respected and valued as a core mode of transportation that provides individuals and communities with health, economic, environmental, social and other benefits; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has set a target of 15% of all daily trips being made by walking or biking within the 2021-2031 timeframe¹; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Hamilton has committed to continue funding new cycling infrastructure to increase the safety of our residents and encourage more cycling as a means of transportation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Mayor correspond with the Minister of Transportation to urge the Provincial Government to include an annual investment of \$75 million in cycling infrastructure in its capital budget; and,
- (b) That other municipalities across Ontario, through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, be encouraged to join with the City of Hamilton in calling on the Province to act.

We respectfully request your timely consideration to this matter and look forward to your response.

Mayor Fred Eisenberger

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¹ Transportation Master Plan (2007). City of Hamilton. Retrieved from: https://d3fpllf1m7bbt3.cloudfront.net/sites/default/files/media/browser/2014-12-17/transportation-master-plan-chapters2.pdf

⁷¹ Main Street West, 2nd Floor, Hamilton, Ontario L8P 4Y5 Phone 905.546.4200 Fax: 905.546.2340