

The Regional Municipality of Durham COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE April 27, 2018

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Members of Council – Please advise the Regional Clerk at clerks@durham.ca by 9:00 AM on the Monday one week prior to the next regular Committee of the Whole meeting, if you wish to add an item from this CIP to the Committee of the Whole agenda.



The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

From: Commissioner of Finance

Report: #2018-INFO-62 Date: April 27, 2018

Subject:

Confirmation of the Region's Triple "A" Credit Rating by Moody's Investors Service following the Downgrade of the Province of Ontario's Ratings Outlook from Stable to Negative

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Regional Council of the recent action by Moody's Investors Service (hereafter Moody's) to reaffirm Durham's Triple "A" credit rating with stable outlook, in response to the downgrade of the Province of Ontario's ratings outlook (Aa2) from stable to negative.

2. Background

- 2.1 On April 17, 2018, Moody's revised the outlook on the Province of Ontario's ratings (Aa2) to negative from stable. This action by Moody's reflects increasing fiscal challenges for the Province related to muted economic growth projections for Ontario, increasing expenditure plans as detailed in the 2018 Ontario Budget and an escalating debt burden with no plan to return to balanced fiscal results over the next five years.
- 2.2 Following this action, Moody's reviewed the credit ratings and outlooks on its municipal issuers in Ontario, given the "macroeconomic and funding linkages between the Province of Ontario and its regional and local government and government-related issuers."

- 2.3 On April 20, 2018, Moody's affirmed the ratings and stable outlooks of municipal issuers, including the Region of Durham. According to Moody's, "the creditworthiness of these municipalities, including high dependence on own-source revenues, which are insulated from provincial fiscal pressures, strong reserve levels and track record of managing operating pressures, provide these municipalities the ability to withstand a potential downgrade of the province."
- 2.4 All municipal governments in Ontario are rated by Moody's at or above the rating of the Province of Ontario.
- 3. Downgrade on the Province's Ratings Outlook by Moody's
- 3.1 In Moody's opinion, the recent rating's outlook downgrade highlights growing pressure on the Province's spending:

"The outlook change to negative from stable on Ontario's ratings reflects Moody's expectations that spending pressure will challenge the province's ability to sustain balanced fiscal results across multiple years."

- 3.2 On March 28, 2018, the Ontario government released its 2018 Budget that introduced a number of new spending initiatives to be implemented over the next three years, including implementation of income security reform (\$2.3 billion), fully government-funded child care for preschoolers (\$2.2 billion) and expanding access to mental health and addictions services (\$1.2 billion). These new expenditures will increase the overall spending relative to previous Provincial spending plans. The credit agency warns that financing requirements for the Province's expenditure plans will necessarily increase the debt burden.
- 4. Increased Provincial debt financing will be required during a period where interest rate increases are expected. Meanwhile, the Province's ability to introduce new revenue generating measures will be restricted as consumers also face high levels of debt:
 - "... as sustained low interest rates have pushed consumer debt to record levels over the past decade, the province will likely face increased challenges to introduce new revenue measures despite a high level of policy flexibility."
- 4.1 Interest on the Province's debt, which is projected at \$12.5 billion in fiscal 2018-19, is the third largest expenditure next to health (\$61.3 billion) and education (\$29.1 billion). According to the 2018 Ontario Budget, the Province's interest on the debt is expected to grow to \$16.9 billion by 2025-26.

4.2 Further, Moody's expects that economic growth will slow over the next few years. According to Moody's, real GDP growth is forecast to fall from 2.7 per cent in 2017 to 1.7 per cent by 2021. As a result, the credit rating agency notes that "revenue generation will be slower than previously recorded, limiting the province's ability to rely on revenue growth to balance the spending pressure."

5. Highlights of Durham's Major Credit Strengths as Identified by Moody's

5.1 Following the revised outlook by Moody's on the Province of Ontario's ratings (Aa2 negative), on April 20, 2018, Moody's affirmed Durham's Triple "A" credit rating with stable outlook:

"The decision to affirm the rating reflects our view that pressures facing the Province of Ontario are not expected to negatively impact Durham's intrinsic credit profile."

5.2 Durham's credit profile continues to reflect its low debt burden, healthy reserves and reserve funds, and conservative fiscal management and budgeting practices. These strengths have culminated from a track record of positive operating results, which provide the Region with financial flexibility to successfully manage near-term economic and fiscal challenges and uncertainties.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 The revised ratings outlook from stable to negative by Moody's on the Province of Ontario will not impact the creditworthiness of Ontario municipalities rated by Moody's, including Durham Region.
- 6.2 Durham is one of eight municipalities within Canada rated as Triple "A" by Moody's.
- 6.3 Durham's Triple "A" credit rating is a testament to the resolve of Regional Council's long-standing commitment to support long-term financial planning and financial policies that maximize the up-front financing of capital infrastructure projects, minimizes debt issuance and maintains adequate reserves and reserve funds to fund outstanding liabilities and capital infrastructure. These strategies assist the Region in retaining financial flexibility to maintain adequate funding for risk mitigation, unforeseen expenditures and maintain manageable property tax and revenue based rate increases.

Respectfully submitted,

Original Signed by M.E. Simpson for R.J. Clapp R.J. Clapp, CPA, CA Commissioner of Finance



Interoffice Memorandum

Date: April 27, 2018

To: Gerri Lynn O'Connor, Regional Chair and Members of

Regional Council

From: Don Beaton, Commissioner of Corporate Services

Corporate Services
Department

Subject: Routine disclosure of Regional records

There are two requests for information on the Action Items List for Committee of the Whole and Regional Council:

- A report/policy regarding sharing documents with Council members.
- To advise when a report regarding a policy for the sharing of documents with Council members would be coming forward.

I advised Council at a recent meeting that a draft policy entitled "Routine Disclosure and Active Dissemination Policy" is being circulated internally and a report would be coming forward shortly. Circulation and comments are still forthcoming from departments on the policy.

Before the report is submitted for consideration, I wish to advise members of Council as follows:

Regional information should be provided to Members of Council and the public unless the information was provided in confidence or meets the criteria of one of the exemptions through the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA) There are three **mandatory** exemptions:

- Relations with governments
- Third party information
- Personal privacy (of another individual)

There are eight **discretionary** exemptions:

- Draft by-laws, etc.
- Advice or recommendations
- Law enforcement
- Economic and other interests
- Solicitor client privilege
- Danger to safety or health
- Information soon to be published
- Personal information (limitations on your own)

Requests for information received from a member of the public that departmental staff wouldn't provide in the normal course of business, are directed to Corporate Services-Legislative Services Division for review and disclosure under the MFIPPA process.

Councillors may request Regional records from the appropriate Department Head or the Regional Clerk. Individual Councillors have the same rights of access to Regional records as a member of the public. A Councillor does not have greater rights of access to confidential records by virtue of office, although Councillors may be entitled to confidential records through their role as a result of their work on Council or Committees. Requests for confidential records must be directed to the Regional Clerk, as Council approval may be required and additional steps such as the redacting of information may be necessary.

Routine disclosure of information is a process that supports government transparency and other legislation such as MFIPPA. In an effort to engage citizens and become more open and transparent, the Region will proactively provide the public with access to information that matters most to them.

The draft policy will identify the requirement for departments to develop plans for routinely releasing or automatically making available certain records to the public. In order to ensure that an appropriate balance exists between ease of access to information and protection of privacy and of confidential information, Regional departments will adhere to the requirements of MFIPPA in respect of exemptions to disclosure for Personal Information, proprietary third-party information and other confidential information.

In the interim, if staff is unsure when asked to release information, they should be instructed to contact the Legislative Services Division for assistance.

Respectfully,

Original signed by

Don Beaton, BCom, M.P.A Commissioner of Corporate Services



Corporate Services Department Legislative Services

April 12, 2018

Don Mathieson, Chair

MPAC

1340 Pickering Parkway, Suite 101

Pickering, ON L1V 0C4

Subject: Notice of Motion

Inflated Municipal Property Assessments

File: A-1400-18

CC SCC

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Pickering considered the Papove matter at a

meeting held on April 10, 2018 and adopted the following Notice of Motion:

Whereas: The mission of Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) is to serve Ontario property taxpayers together with provincial and municipal stakeholders through accurate and timely property assessments and a commitment to service excellence and efficiency;

Whereas: MPAC uses one of three recognized approaches to establish an assessed value for properties: 1. Direct comparison, 2. Income approach (not applicable to residential properties), and 3. Cost approach (not applicable to residential properties);

Whereas: Recent sales of comparable properties are used to establish an assessed value that is then used to calculate residential property taxes;

Whereas: Market value has come to represent a price of a property that has been driven by an inflated housing bubble which has resulted in bidding wars that has driven up the selling price of a property in excess of its accurate valuation or assessment of its worth thus impacting what a property owner must pay in property taxes and creating an undue financial hardship;

Whereas: The Federal and Provincial governments have put in place various policies that are intended to curb and reduce the high cost of home ownership to make housing more affordable:

Now therefore the City of Pickering Council urges the Province of Ontario and MPAC to review the unfairness of the current assessment and the need to put a freeze on any and all future assessments until such time as market conditions stabilize and place a moratorium on its phasing of increases in 2019 and 2020;

Now therefore this motion be copied to Don Mathieson (Chair MPAC); Ontario Premier Kathleen Wynne; Andrea Horwath, leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party; and Doug Ford, Leader of the Ontario Progressive Conservative Party; and to all Durham Regional Municipalities and the Durham Regional Council for their endorsement.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905.420.4660 extension 2097.

Yours truly

Renée Michaud (Acting) Deputy Clerk

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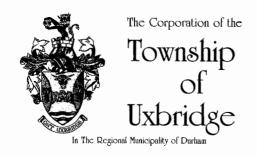
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April 2018

Dear Friends:

This year marks the 35th Anniversary of the Township of Uxbridge Mayor's Charity Golf Tournament.

The 2018 Township of Uxbridge Mayor's Charity Golf tournament will be held on **Friday**, **July 20**th, **2018**. As always, the proceeds raised by this event will be used solely for the support of Uxbridge non-profit organizations and individuals that approach the Township Council seeking financial assistance for various activities or events that will ultimately benefit the residents of Uxbridge, whether directly or through the enrichment of the community.

This year's tournament will once again be hosted by the renowned **Wooden Sticks Golf Club**. Wooden Sticks is located at **40 Elgin Park Drive** in Uxbridge. The format will be an **18-hole** "**Texas Scramble**" with the 'shotgun' start scheduled for **7:30 a.m. sharp**. Wooden Sticks staff will provide the highest level of service for this year's tournament. Participants will be treated to full bag drop services and shown to the prize table for your choice of a wonderful gift after registration. A hot buffet breakfast will be provided before the round followed by a buffet lunch after golf, as well as prizes for the top teams. The tournament will also feature on-course contests like closest to the pin and longest drive. Once again, participants will have the chance to win \$10,000 in the Hole-In-One contest!

The cost for this year's event is only \$300.00 per person or \$1,200.00 for a team of four.

Registration for this year's tournament can be completed online at the following URL;

https://woodensticks.formstack.com/forms/ux_mayors_tournament_2018

Please register by **Friday**, **June 22nd**, **2018**. After June 22nd, 2018, an invitation will be extended to the public to fill any unregistered openings.

This year's event offers an array of sponsorship opportunities for the golfers and non-golfers alike. We are looking for **sponsorships** for **breakfast**, **lunch**, **golf carts**, **putting contest and the driving range**. In addition to this we are also looking for a sponsor for our **Hole-In-One contest** as well as **hole sponsorships**. To sign up as one of the sponsors, please visit the same URL you would to register, which is listed above. Your generosity would be greatly appreciated!

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Rupprecht at (905) 852-9181 x 220.

Hoping to see you there,

Township of Uxbridge Golf Committee





Town of Whitby Office of the Town Clerk

575 Rossland Road East, Whitby, ON L1N 2M8 www.whitby.ca

April 20, 2018

Honourable Chris Ballard Minister of the Environment and Climate Change Ferguson Block 11th Floor 77 Wellesley Street Toronto ON M7A 2T5

Re: Cladophora Growth - Whitby Waterfront

Please be advised that at a meeting held on April 16, 2018 the Council of the Town of Whitby adopted the following as Resolution #124-18:

Whereas nuisance growth of cladophora along the nearshore destroys fish habitat and deprives residents and visitors of the use and enjoyment of the waterfront and beaches;

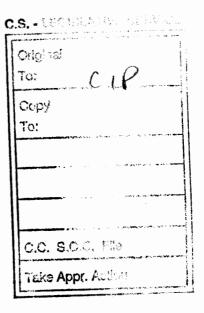
And whereas the Regions of Durham and York have commissioned an Environmental Assessment to address the outfall capacity limitations of the Duffin Creek WPCP:

And whereas the waterfront of Whitby is an invaluable asset and assuring its cleanliness is essential to the well-being of our residents and future prosperity of our Town;

And whereas the waterfront of Whitby deserves respect, regard and protection consistent with the latest and ongoing provincial, federal and international research and strategies to investigate and reduce algae blooms in Lake Erie and Lake Ontario.

Now Therefore be it Resolved:

- That the Minister of Environment and Climate Change be advised of the strong concern of the Council of the Town of Whitby has about the negative social, recreational and economic impacts that would result from nuisance Cladophora on its waterfront:
- That the Minister of Environment and Climate Change be requested to adopt a science-based approach to this matter ensuring that nutrients from all sources impacting the water quality of Lake Ontario are reduced in an appropriate and sustainable manner; and,



3. That the Clerk forward a copy of this resolution to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Durham Area Municipalities, the Regional Municipalities of Durham and York, and the Members of Provincial Parliament representing Durham and York Regions.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Town Clerk at 905-430-4315.

Christopher Harris

Town Clerk

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SENT VIA EMAIL

April 19, 2018

Honourable Ernie Hardeman, MPP Room 413, Legislative Bldg. Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A8 ernie.hardeman@pc.ola.org

RE: BILL 16, RESPECTING MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY OVER LANDFILLING

SITES

TOWNSHIP FILE: A-00 G

Please be advised that during the regular meeting of the Council of April 16, 2018 the following motion was carried;

THAT Correspondence Item No. 55 be received for information;

AND WHEREAS municipal governments in Ontario do not have the right to approve landfill projects in their communities, but have authority for making decisions on all other types of development;

AND WHEREAS this outdated policy allows private landfill operators to consult with local residents and municipal Councils, but essentially ignore them;

AND WHEREAS municipalities already have exclusive rights for approving casinos and nuclear waste facilities within their communities, AND FURTHER that the province has recognized the value of municipal approval for the siting of power generation facilities;

AND WHERAS the recent report from Ontario's Environmental Commissioner has found that Ontario has a garbage problem, particularly from industrial, Commercial and Institutional (ICI) waste generated within the City of Toronto, where diversion rates are as low as 15 percent.

AND WHERAS municipalities across Ontario are quietly identified and targeted as potential landfill sites;

AND WHEREAS municipalities should be considered experts in waste management, as they are responsible for this within their own communities, and often have decades' worth of in-house expertise in managing waste, recycling, and diversion programs;

AND WHERAS municipalities should have the right to approve or reject these projects, and assess whether the potential economic benefits are of sufficient value to offset any negative impacts and environmental concerns;

THERFORE IT BE RESOVLED THAT the Township of Uxbridge supports Bill 16, Respecting Municipal Authority Over Landfilling Sites Act introduced by MPP Emie Hardeman and calls upon the Government of Ontario, and all political parties, to formally grant municipalities the authority to approve landfill projects in or adjacent to their communities;

AND FURHTER THAT the Township of Uxbridge send copies of this resolution to Ernie Hardeman, MPP, AMO, Granville Anderson, MPP, Catherine McKenna, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, Peter Van Loan, MP, Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario and all Ontario municipalities.

I trust you will find the above to be satisfactory.

Yours truly,

Debbie Leroux

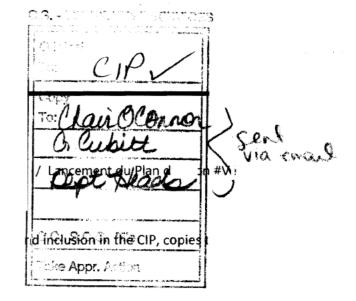
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

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cc: AMO

Granville Anderson, MPP
Catherine McKenna, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change
Peter Van Loan, MP

Kathleen Wynne, Premier Ontario Municipalities



From: MTO Cycling [mailto:Cycling@ontario.ca] **Sent:** Wednesday, April 18, 2018 2:53 PM

Subject: Launch of #CycleON Action Plan 2.0 / Lancement du Plan d'action #VéloOntario 2.0

Dear cycling partner,

Today, we are excited to announce that Ontario is continuing to make it easier to cycle in the province with the release of <u>#CycleON Action Plan 2.0</u>. The Action Plan sets out the second wave of initiatives to help achieve the vision of #CycleON: Ontario's Cycling Strategy.

Together with our predecessors, Minister Eleanor McMahon and Minister Steven Del Duca, we would like to thank the Ministers' Advisory Panel on Cycling and all those who have provided ideas and comments on the action plan. Your input continues to play a crucial role to help Ontario become a North American leader in cycling.

The Action Plan sets out initiatives across all five targeted Strategic Directions outlined in <u>Ontario's Cycling Strategy</u>, ensuring that we continue to take the comprehensive approach needed to advance cycling in Ontario. The plan will promote cycling as a great choice for commuting, active living, recreation and tourism, encourage people to learn how to cycle and share the road, and build communities, routes and dedicated infrastructure that support cycling.

Some of the initiatives in Action Plan 2.0 include:

- A continued commitment to investing in municipal cycling infrastructure
- Developing a comprehensive cycling education framework that will provide program standards for cycling curriculum, instructional development and certification, and provincewide course delivery
- Showcasing Ontario as a premier cycling tourism destination through focused marketing, and highlighting cultural and heritage sites along identified cycling routes
- Launching a public education campaign on cyclist rights and responsibilities.

We encourage you to read the action plan to learn more about these and other initiatives we will take to advance cycling in Ontario.

We hope you will consider sharing our <u>Facebook post</u> and <u>Tweet</u> about today's announcement so others can learn more about how we are advancing cycling in Ontario.

Once again, thank you for advocating for cycling. Together we can ensure that cycling plays an important role in connecting communities, promoting a healthy lifestyle, and enhancing our quality of life. With kind regards,

Kathryn McGarry Minister of Transportation Daiene Vernile Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport

Cher partenaire cycliste,

Aujourd'hui, nous sommes heureuses d'annoncer que l'Ontario continue de faciliter le cyclisme dans la province avec la publication du <u>Plan d'action #VéloOntario 2.0</u>. Le plan d'action annonce la deuxième vague d'initiatives pour aider à réaliser la vision de #VéloOntario : Stratégie ontarienne de promotion du vélo.

De concert avec nos prédécesseurs, la ministre Eleanor McMahon et le ministre Steven Del Duca, nous aimerions remercier le comité consultatif ministériel concernant le cyclisme et tous ceux qui ont fourni des idées et des commentaires sur le plan d'action. Votre contribution continue de jouer un rôle crucial pour aider l'Ontario à devenir un chef de file nord-américain du cyclisme.

Le plan d'action énonce les initiatives des cinq orientations stratégiques ciblées décrites dans le document #VéloOntario : Stratégie ontarienne de promotion du vélo, en veillant à ce que nous continuions d'adopter l'approche globale nécessaire pour faire progresser le cyclisme en Ontario. Le plan fera la promotion du vélo comme un excellent choix pour les déplacements quotidiens, la vie active, les loisirs et le tourisme, encouragera les gens à apprendre à faire du vélo et à partager la route, et bâtira des collectivités, des routes et des infrastructures spécialisées qui appuient le cyclisme.

Parmi les initiatives du Plan d'action 2.0, notons :

- un engagement continu à investir dans les infrastructures cyclables municipales;
- l'élaboration d'un cadre complet d'éducation cycliste qui fournira des normes de programme pour le curriculum cycliste, le développement et la certification de l'enseignement et la prestation de cours à l'échelle de la province;
- la présentation de l'Ontario comme une destination cyclotouristique de premier plan, grâce à un marketing ciblé et à la mise en valeur des sites culturels et patrimoniaux le long des itinéraires cyclables identifiés;
- le lancement d'une campagne d'éducation du public sur les droits et responsabilités des cyclistes.

Nous vous encourageons à lire le plan d'action pour en apprendre davantage sur ces initiatives et d'autres initiatives que nous prendrons pour faire progresser le cyclisme en Ontario.

Nous espérons que vous envisagerez de partager notre <u>message sur Facebook</u> et <u>Twitter</u> au sujet de l'annonce d'aujourd'hui afin que d'autres puissent en apprendre davantage sur la façon dont nous faisons progresser le cyclisme en Ontario.

Encore une fois, merci de faire la promotion du cyclisme. Ensemble, nous pouvons faire en sorte que le vélo joue un rôle important dans l'établissement de liens entre les collectivités, la promotion d'un mode de vie sain et l'amélioration de notre qualité de vie. Recevez toutes nos amitiés.

Katherine McGarry Ministre du Transport Sport

Daiene Vernile Ministre du Tourisme, de la Culture et du

Afreen Raza

From:

Julie Verge <jverge@grca.on.ca>

Sent:

April-20-18 9:50 AM

To:

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tkorotki@ahtwp.ca; clerks@clarington.net

Subject:

GRCA - Full Authority Minutes for Distribution

Attachments:

FA March 15, 2018.pdf

Good Morning:

Attached please find the approved March 15, 2018 minutes, of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority's Full Authority board, for distribution to council members.

Julie

Julie Verge Corporate Services Assistant



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GANARASKA REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF THE FULL AUTHORITY

March 15, 2018

FA 01/18

1. Welcome and Call to Order

The Chair called the Full Authority meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Wendy Partner, Chair - Municipality of Clarington Jeff Lees, Vice-Chair - Municipality of Port Hope Raymond Benns - Township of Alnwick/Haldimand

Brian Darling - Town of Cobourg

John Fallis - Township of Cavan Monaghan Mark Lovshin - Township of Hamilton Heather Stauble - City of Kawartha Lakes Willie Woo - Municipality of Clarington

ALSO PRESENT:

Linda Laliberte, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer

Leslie Benson, Interim Director of Watershed Services

Greg Wells, Manager, Planning & Regulations Steve McMullen, Forest Recreation Technician

Members of the public

ABSENT WITH

REGRETS:

Louise Ferrie-Blecher - Municipality of Port Hope

Forrest Rowden - Town of Cobourg

ALSO ABSENT:

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

FA 01/18

MOVED BY:

Brian Darling

SECONDED BY:

John Fallis

THAT the Full Authority approve the minutes of the November 30, 2017 meeting. **CARRIED**.

4. Adoption of the Agenda

Item 11. b) under New Business was moved to the Source Protection agenda as item 2.

FA 02/18

MOVED BY:

Mark Lovshin

SECONDED BY:

John Fallis

THAT the Full Authority adopt the agenda as amended. **CARRIED.**

5. Delegations

None

6. Presentations

None

7. Business Arising from Minutes

None

8. Correspondence

None

9. Applications under Ontario Regulation 168/06:

Permits approved by Executive:

FA 03/18

MOVED BY:

Willie Woo

SECONDED BY:

Heather Stauble

THAT the Full Authority receive the permits for information. **CARRIED.**

Permit Application require Full Authority discussion: None

10. Committee Reports:

None

11. New Business:

a) Greenbelt Golden Horseshoe CA Collaborative

Discussion took place. Board member requested a full definition of "green infrastructure". Staff to follow-up at April 19th meeting.

FA 04/18

MOVED BY:

John Fallis

SECONDED BY:

Jeff Lees

WHEREAS the Province has affirmed its commitment to strengthen the Greenbelt, and to advance place-based planning on a regional scale through the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe;

WHEREAS the Greater Golden Horseshoe is one of the fastest growing regions in North America, with a projected population of almost 12 million people by 2031;

WHEREAS the planning and environmental issues affecting the Greenbelt and the Greater Golden Horseshoe are increasing in number and complexity:

WHEREAS there is a need to be able to address not only the local challenges but those that are more pervasive and regional in scale including climate change, flood remediation and the environmental impacts of growth;

WHEREAS a collaborative, coordinated and cohesive response to the environmental challenges of growth are needed by building a constituency of interest for a heathy urban region;

WHEREAS the health of Greenbelt Golden Horseshoe residents depends on the health of the natural environment and the sustainability and resilience of our communities:

WHEREAS Conservation Authorities provide valuable and value-added services and benefits to our municipal partners who are addressing complex issues including climate change, Great Lake water quality, public health and safety and sustainable city-building and transportation options;

WHEREAS the ten urban-based Conservation Authorities have met for over a decade as the Greater Golden Horseshoe Chief Administrative Officers (GGH CAO) group to address common concerns and to advance mutually beneficial solutions to the challenges facing the more populated watersheds;

WHEREAS there is an established history of place-based collaborative action among Conservation Authorities since 2000 – in the form of the Conservation Authorities Moraine Coalition (CAMC);

WHEREAS there is a need for and an opportunity to build expertise, understanding and capacity at the landscape scale;

WHEREAS there is an opportunity among the Conservation Authorities to share knowledge, coordinate action and ensure consistency of practice to advance better planning, policy and program outcomes;

WHEREAS an understanding exist that climate change is a significant threat to development and the security of individuals, communities and regions and there is a need to act in order to preserve and enhance, for future generations, the economic, social and environmental conditions that we enjoy:

WHEREAS there is an opportunity for Conservation Authorities and partner agencies to utilize resources (fiscal and human) in a more efficient and effective manner and to consider economies of scale from a research, knowledge and planning perspective;

THEREFORE IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Authority endorse the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority's participation in the Greenbelt Golden Horseshoe Conservation Authorities Collaborative and authorize the CAO/Secretary-Treasurer to sign the attached Memorandum of Understanding.

DEFERRED.

b) Appointment of Board Member to Recreational User Committee (RUC)

FA 05/18

MOVED BY:

Mark Lovshin

SECONDED BY:

Brian Darling

THAT Jeff Lees be appointment as Board Member to the Recreational User Committee (RUC).

CARRIED

12. Other Business

None

13. In Camera

None

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14. Adjourn	
The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. on a motion by Mark Lovshin.	

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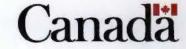
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April 19, 2018

Dear Mayor/Head of Council:

I am pleased to inform you that on March 14, 2018, the Ontario government signed an Integrated Bilateral Agreement (IBA) to partner with the Government of Canada to deliver up to \$11.8 billion in federal funding and \$10 billion in provincial funding for infrastructure projects under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, over the next ten years.

Under this new program, the federal government will pay up to 40 per cent for most projects, with the province contributing up to 33 per cent and municipalities contributing the remaining 27 per cent. Through this agreement, contributions by all three levels of government are expected to result in an overall infrastructure investment of at least \$30 billion. The Ministry of Infrastructure has begun work on finalizing programs and administrative processes to implement the funding under the four federal funding streams: public transit; green infrastructure; community, culture and recreation; and rural and northern infrastructure.

Under the agreement the federal and provincial governments will together be providing up to \$15.1 billion in funding for public transit. The federal government has decided that the funding will be allocated to municipalities with existing transit systems using the 2015 transit ridership statistics. Within the next few weeks, the 98 municipalities with transit authorities can expect to receive another letter from me with confirmation of and additional detail on how to access their federally determined ridership-based allocation over the next ten years.

For the green; community, culture and recreation; and rural and northern streams, funding will be delivered through a mix of allocation and application-based programs similar to the current Clean Water Wastewater Fund and Small Communities Fund, and will include municipal, not-for-profit, and Indigenous recipients. The intake for these programs will not begin before the Ontario election begins in May 2018.

As part of this work, my ministry will engage partners as intake processes are developed. This is just the first step in the roll out of a long-term program that will support infrastructure investments across the province. Following the launch of these programs, my ministry will assess and nominate projects to the federal government. Programs are expected to begin launching toward the end of this year in order to best align with municipal election cycles and allow municipalities adequate time to determine their priorities.

I encourage you to work with your officials to ensure that local priority projects align with federal eligibility criteria, as outlined in the IBA, which can be accessed at www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/agreements-ententes/2018/2018-on-eng.html.

Since the launch of the Ontario's Municipal Infrastructure Strategy in 2012, provincial funding programs for municipal infrastructure have required communities to demonstrate a growing commitment to asset management planning. In developing your priorities, I would encourage you to ensure they align with these principles and build on our work to date in promoting sound infrastructure planning and fiscal sustainability.

Together, we have a responsibility to maintain a strong economy and high standards of living by building the critical public infrastructure needed in communities across Ontario, It has been a journey since negotiations for the new federal funding program started in spring 2017. I would like to thank the municipal sector—including the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)—who supported the Ministry of Infrastructure as it worked to improve the federal terms and conditions of this agreement.

Thank you again for your support and I look forward to continue working with you as we deliver the next phase of transformative federal-provincial infrastructure investments. If you have any questions, please contact Julia Danos, Director of the Intergovernmental Policy Branch, at <u>Julia.Danos@ontario.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

Bob Chiarelli Minister

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Le 19 avril 2018

Monsieur, Madame,

Je suis heureux de vous informer que le 14 mars 2018, le gouvernement de l'Ontario a signé une entente bilatérale intégrée, dans le but d'établir un partenariat avec le gouvernement du Canada pour offrir jusqu'à 11,8 milliards de dollars de financement du gouvernement fédéral et 10 milliards de dollars de financement du gouvernement provincial pour des projets d'infrastructure, en vertu du plan d'infrastructure Investir dans le Canada, au cours des dix années à venir.

Dans le cadre de ce nouveau programme, le gouvernement fédéral couvrira jusqu'à 40 % des coûts de la plupart des projets, la province assumant jusqu'à 33 % du montant et les municipalités payant les 27 % restants. Grâce à cette entente, les contributions du gouvernement fédéral, du gouvernement provincial et des administrations municipales devraient se traduire par un investissement total en matière d'infrastructure d'au moins 30 milliards de dollars. Le ministère de l'Infrastructure a entrepris des travaux pour parachever les programmes ainsi que les processus administratifs pour la mise en œuvre du financement fédéral dans les quatre volets de financement : le transport en commun; les infrastructures vertes; les infrastructures communautaires, culturelles et récréatives; les infrastructures des collectivités rurales et du Nord.

Selon l'accord, les gouvernements fédéral et provincial devront fournir conjointement jusqu'à 15,1 milliards de dollars de financement pour le transport en commun. Le gouvernement fédéral a décidé que le financement serait attribué aux municipalités disposant d'un réseau de transport en commun existant, en utilisant les statistiques d'achalandage des services de transport en commun de 2015. Au cours des prochaines semaines, les 98 municipalités, en collaboration avec les organismes de transport en commun, peuvent s'attendre à recevoir une nouvelle lettre de ma part, confirmant pour les dix prochaines années le gain des affectations telles que déterminées par le gouvernement fédéral en vertu du nombre d'usagers, ainsi que la facon d'y accéder.

Pour les volets concernant les infrastructures vertes, communautaires, culturelles et récréatives, ainsi qu'à celles des collectivités rurales et nordiques, le financement sera offert au moyen d'une combinaison d'affection et de programmes fondés sur la demande, semblable à ceux du Fonds pour l'eau potable et le traitement des eaux usées ainsi que du Fonds des petites collectivités, et comprendra les municipalités, les organismes sans but lucratif et les communautés autochtones qui en sont bénéficiaires. La réception des demandes à ces programmes ne débuteront pas avant mai 2018, moment où commenceront les élections en Ontario.

Dans le cadre de ce travail, mon ministère travaillera au développement des processus de réception avec ses partenaires. Il ne s'agit que de la première étape du déploiement d'un programme à long terme qui viendra soutenir les priorités en matière d'infrastructure dans la province. À la suite du lancement de ces programmes, mon ministère évaluera et proposera des projets au gouvernement fédéral. Il est attendu que les programmes commencent à être lancés vers la fin de l'année, afin de mieux s'harmoniser avec les cycles des élections municipales et de laisser suffisamment de temps aux municipalités pour déterminer leurs priorités.

Je vous encourage à collaborer avec vos fonctionnaires afin de vous assurer que les projets prioritaires à l'échelle locale s'harmonisent avec les critères d'admissibilité fédéraux, conformément à ce qui est indiqué dans l'entente bilatérale intégrée, qui peut être consultée au www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/ententes ententes/ 2018/2018-sur-fra.html.

Depuis le lancement de la Stratégie relative aux infrastructures municipales de l'Ontario en 2012, les programmes provinciaux de financement de l'infrastructure municipale ont exigé des collectivités de démontrer un engagement croissant à la planification de la gestion des infrastructures municipales. Au moment de déterminer vos priorités, je vous encourage à vous assurer qu'elles s'harmonisent avec ces principes et s'appuient sur notre travail accompli à ce jour dans la valorisation de la saine planification des infrastructures et de la viabilité budgétaire.

Ensemble, nous avons la responsabilité de maintenir une économie forte et un niveau de vie élevé, en faisant construire les infrastructures publiques nécessaires aux collectivités de l'Ontario; une longue route a été parcourue depuis le début des négociations pour le nouveau programme fédéral de financement, commencées au printemps 2017. Je tiens à remercier le secteur municipal, y compris l'Association des municipalités de l'Ontario (AMO) - qui ont appuyé le ministère de l'Infrastructure dans son travail pour améliorer les modalités et conditions du gouvernement fédéral pour cette entente.

Je vous remercie encore pour votre soutien et j'ai hâte de poursuivre le travail avec vous alors que nous arriverons à la prochaine étape des investissements fédéraux et provinciaux visant à transformer les infrastructures. Pour toutes questions, veuillez communiquer avec Julia Danos, directrice, Direction des politiques intergouvernementales à julia.Danos@ontario.ca.

Cordialement.

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The province is currently working with the federal government on application requirements for this program. Projects that meet the following outcomes could be considered eligible for federal funding provided they also meet the general program requirements outlined in Schedule A of Ontario's bilateral agreement1:

- Improved capacity of public transit infrastructure
- Improved quality and/or safety of existing or future transit systems
- Improved access to a public transit system

All projects receiving funding under this stream will also need to report on the following targets. Please note that these targets are aspirational and will not impact your funding allocation:

- Mode-Share: Increase by at least 25 per cent the modal share for public transit and active transportation. This target is subject to review by Canada, Ontario and the Canadian Urban Transit Association.
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In addition to these conditions, applicants may be required to meet specific additional requirements based on project size, including:

- Climate Lens Assessments: all projects over \$10 million are required to complete a
 Climate Lens Assessment on potential Greenhouse Gas (GHG) impacts and/or climate
 resiliency before federal approval. Infrastructure Canada is working with the Ministry of
 Infrastructure to finalize the guidelines for these assessments.
- Detailed Business Cases: all large projects (i.e. greater than \$50 million) will require
 federal Treasury Board approval which could take at least six (6) to eight (8) months to
 obtain. Projects will also be subject to provincial due diligence, review of business cases and
 Treasury Board approval. To support the assessment of these projects, recipients will be
 required to submit comprehensive business cases that detail project costs, benefits and
 demonstrate support for federal targets and outcomes. More details on this process will be
 available when the intake program is launched.
- Other Policy Objectives: over the next few months the ministries of Infrastructure and Transportation will be working to finalize any additional requirements for provincial funding under this program. These could include the inclusion of community benefits agreements, reporting and targets related to encouraging density and transit-oriented development, and other key provincial policy objectives.

As per the bilateral agreement, federal and provincial funding cannot displace total municipal spending on public transit and the expectation is that funding through this program will result in an increase in overall provincial and municipal infrastructure investments over ten years.

We appreciate the input and feedback that municipalities have provided to date, including preliminary project worksheets submitted through our initial engagement on the public transit stream between December 2017 and spring 2018. As a next step, we will communicate details on application requirements in summer 2018 and expect to launch initial application intakes in late 2018 in order to best align with municipal election cycles and allow municipalities to have adequate time to submit their priorities.

If this timing presents any concerns for imminent projects, or if you have any other questions about this funding, please contact Julia Danos, Director of the Ministry of Infrastructure's Intergovernmental Policy Branch, at Julia.Danos@ontario.ca and Felix Fung, Acting Director of the Ministry of Transportation's Transit Policy Branch, at Felix.Fung@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Bob Chiarelli Minister of Infrastructure Kathryn McGarry Minister of Transportation

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Enclosure

c: The Honourable Amarjeet Sohi, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities

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Le 23 avril 2018

Monsieur, Madame,

Nous sommes heureux de vous faire parvenir une nouvelle mise à jour sur le volet de financement du transport en commun, comprenant des renseignements détaillés sur les affectations sur 10 ans destinées à votre réseau de transport en commun municipal, ainsi que les étapes préliminaires devant être suivies pour accéder à ce financement.

Dans le cadre de l'entente bilatérale intégrée avec le gouvernement fédéral, le gouvernement de l'Ontario affectera 8,3 milliards de dollars de financement fédéral et 7,3 milliards de dollars de financement provincial sur une période de dix ans pour appuyer les projets d'infrastructure pour le transport en commun dans la province. Comme l'a déterminé le gouvernement fédéral, les financements provincial et fédéral seront attribués aux réseaux de transport en commun régionaux et municipaux en fonction du nombre d'usagers (en pourcentage), sur la base des données recueillies par l'Association canadienne du transport urbain en 2015. Veuillez consulter le tableau ci-joint pour connaître les affectations fédérales et provinciales pour votre municipalité.

Les projets seront financés en fonction d'un partage de coûts entre le gouvernement fédéral, le gouvernement provincial et les administrations municipales; pour les nouveaux projets, le gouvernement fédéral fournira une contribution pouvant atteindre jusqu'à 40 pour cent des coûts totaux du projet, 33 pour cent pour le gouvernement de l'Ontario et de 27 pour cent pour les municipalités. En outre, conformément aux conditions du programme fédéral, les municipalités peuvent attribuer jusqu'à 15 pour cent de leurs affectations aux fins de Projets de remise en état du transport en commun. Le gouvernement fédéral fournira jusqu'à 50 pour cent des dépenses d'immobilisations de ces initiatives, alors que l'Ontario contribuera à raison de 33 pour cent et les municipalités à raison de 17 pour cent de ces dépenses.

La province travaille actuellement avec le gouvernement fédéral à définir les exigences relatives à la présentation de demandes pour ce programme. Les projets pouvant arriver aux résultats suivants pourraient s'avérer admissibles au financement du gouvernement fédéral, à condition qu'ils satisfassent également aux exigences générales du programme, telles qu'elles sont énoncées à l'annexe A de l'entente bilatérale de l'Ontario²:

- Amélioration de la capacité de l'infrastructure de transport en commun
- Amélioration de la qualité et (ou) de la sécurité du réseau de transport en commun actuel ou à venir
- Accès amélioré au réseau de transport en commun

Tous les projets qui reçoivent du financement en vertu de ce volet devront également présenter une

² Consulter le site suivant : http://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/prog/agreements-ententes/2018/2018-on-fra.html

reddition de compte sur les cibles ci-dessous. Veuillez noter que ces cibles sont ambitieuses et n'auront pas d'incidence sur votre affectation de fonds :

- Part modale: Augmenter d'au moins 25 pour cent la part modale du transport en commun et du transport actif. Cette cible pourrait être revue par le Canada, l'Ontario et l'Association canadienne du transport urbain.
- Proximité: D'ici 2028, l'Ontario fera des investissements qui permettront d'augmenter à 95 pour cent le pourcentage des personnes dans une municipalité dotée d'un réseau de transport en commun qui vivent dans la zone de service de leur réseau de transport en commun.

En plus de ces conditions, les demandeurs pourraient être tenus de respecter des exigences supplémentaires particulières selon la taille du projet, notamment :

- Évaluations menées dans l'optique des changements climatiques: tous les projets de plus de 10 millions de dollars sont tenus de remplir une évaluation dans l'optique des changements climatiques quant aux conséquences potentielles du gaz à effet de serre (GES) ou de la résilience au climat avant d'obtenir l'approbation du gouvernement fédéral. Infrastructure Canada collabore actuellement avec le ministère de l'Infrastructure pour parachever les lignes directrices de ces évaluations.
- **Détails de l'analyse de rentabilité**: tous les projets importants (p. ex., d'une valeur supérieure à 50 millions de dollars) exigeront l'approbation du Conseil du Trésor fédéral, qui peut demander six à huit mois avant d'être obtenue. Au niveau provincial, les projets devront également être accomplis avec une diligence raisonnable, faire l'objet d'une analyse de rentabilité et recevoir l'approbation du Conseil du Trésor. Pour appuyer l'évaluation de ces projets, les bénéficiaires seront tenus de soumettre une analyse de rentabilité détaillant les coûts et les avantages du projet ainsi que le soutien qu'il apporte aux cibles et aux résultats du gouvernement fédéral. Nous publierons plus de renseignements concernant ces possibilités à mesure que le programme progressera.
- Autres objectifs politiques: au cours des prochains mois, les ministères de l'Infrastructure
 et des Transports travailleront à parachever toutes exigences supplémentaires au
 financement provincial octroyé dans ce programme; celles-ci pourraient comprendre
 l'inclusion d'accords touchant les avantages pour les collectivités, la production de rapports
 et l'atteinte de cibles pour encourager la densité et le développement du transport en
 commun, ainsi que d'autres objectifs clés à l'échelle provinciale.

Conformément à l'entente bilatérale, le financement fédéral et provincial ne peut remplacer le total des dépenses municipales sur le transport en commun et il est attendu que le financement issu de ce programme entraînera une augmentation des investissements provinciaux et municipaux dans les infrastructures provinciales sur une période de 10 ans.

Nous apprécions les rétroactions et les commentaires que les municipalités nous ont fournis jusqu'à maintenant, incluant les feuilles de travail préliminaires du projet, envoyées lors de notre engagement initial sur le volet du transport en commun entre décembre 2017 et le printemps 2018. Pour la prochaine étape, nous communiquerons les détails sur les exigences en matière de demande à l'été 2018 et nous attendons à lancer la réception des premières demandes vers la fin de 2018, afin de mieux nous harmoniser avec les cycles des élections municipales et permettre aux municipalités d'avoir suffisamment de temps pour soumettre leurs priorités.

Si ce calendrier suscite quelque préoccupation que ce soit pour des projets imminents ou pour toutes autres questions au sujet de ces fonds, veuillez communiquer avec Julia Danos, directrice, Direction de la politique intergouvernementale, à <u>Julia.Danos@ontario.ca</u> et Felix Fung, directeur intérimaire, Direction des politiques de transport en commun, ministère des Transports, à <u>Felix.Fung@ontario.ca</u>.

Cordialement,

Bob Chiarelli

Ministre de l'Infrastructure

Kathryn McGarry Ministre des Transports

Kathy M'barry

Pièce jointe

c: L'honorable Amarjeet Sohi, Ministre de l'Infrastructure et des Collectivités

Aperçu

Le tableau ci-dessous illustre les affectations de l'Ontario au titre du volet du transport en commun dans le cadre du plan d'infrastructure d'Investir dans le Canada pour les réseaux de transport en commun de diverses régions et municipalités.

Veuillez noter qu'en fonction des modalités et conditions du gouvernement fédéral, l'affectation fédérale représente 40 % des contributions aux coûts totaux des projets de transport en commun admissibles.

Le tableau ci-dessous illustre les contributions provinciales et municipales potentielles si l'Ontario contribue à raison de 33 % du financement et les municipalités pour 27 % de celui-ci, pour correspondre à la part du financement fédéral.

Réseau de transport en commun	Estimation fédérale du nombre d'usagers (ACTU 2015)	Affectation fédérale	Coûts/part du financement provincial	Coûts/part du financement municipal
Bancroft	9 317	f84 308 \$	69 554 \$	56 908 \$
Barrie	2 587 964	23 417 948 \$	19 319 807 \$	15 807 115 \$
Belleville	906 218	8 200 178 \$	6 765 147 \$	5 535 120 \$
Blind River	1 385	12 533 \$	10 339 \$	8 459 \$
Bradford West Gwillimbury	25 541	231 115 \$	190 670 \$	156 003 \$
Brampton	21 178 343	191 638 418 \$	158 101 695 \$	129 355 932 \$
Burlington	1 588 225	18 086 987 \$	14 921 765 \$	12 208 717 \$
Brantford	117 406	14 371 517 \$	11 856 502 \$	9 700 774 \$
Brockville	1 998 829	1 062 382 \$	876 466 \$	717 108 \$
Chapleau	3 303	29 888 \$	24 658 \$	20 175 \$
Chatham-Kent	218 274	1 975 116 \$	1 629 471 \$	1 333 203 \$
Clarence-Rockland	151 450	1 370 440 \$	1 130 613 \$	925 047 \$
Cobourg	111 288	1 007 022 \$	830 793 \$	679 740 \$
Cochrane	6 495	58 772 \$	48 487 \$	39 671 \$
Collingwood	221 294	2 002 443 \$	1 652 016 \$	1 351 649 \$
Cornwall	804 007	7 275 292 \$	6 002 116 \$	4 910 822 \$
Cramahe	2 904	26 278 \$	21 679 \$	17 737 \$
Deseronto	17 040	154 191 \$	127 208 \$	104 079 \$
Région de Durham	4 471	94 998 053 \$	78 373 394 \$	64 123 686 \$

Réseau de transport en commun	Estimation fédérale du nombre d'usagers (ACTU 2015)	Affectation fédérale	Coûts/part du financement provincial	Coûts/part du financement municipal
Dryden	10 498 424	40 457 \$	33 377 \$	27 309 \$
Dysart et al	1 510	13 664 \$	11 273 \$	9 223 \$
Elliot Lake	103 316	934 885 \$	771 280 \$	631 047 \$
Espanola	5 456	49 370 \$	40 730 \$	33 325 \$
Fort Erie	57 921	524 115 \$	432 395 \$	353 778 \$
Fort Frances	21 404	193 680 \$	159 786 \$	130 734 \$
Grand Sudbury	4 394 171	39 761 939 \$	32 803 600 \$	26 839 309 \$
Greenstone	2 017	18 251 \$	15 057 \$	12 320 \$
Guelph	6 433 333	58 213 891 \$	48 026 460 \$	39 294 377 \$
Halton Hills	62 748	567 793 \$	468 430 \$	383 261 \$
Hamilton	22 586 728	204 382 600 \$	168 615 646 \$	137 958 256 \$
Hanover	33 941	307 125 \$	253 378 \$	207 309 \$
Hearst	11 508	104 133 \$	85 910 \$	70 290 \$
Huntsville	28 966	262 107 \$	216 239 \$	176 922 \$
Ingersoll	3 969	35 915 \$	29 630 \$	24 242 \$
Kapuskasing	17 662	159 820 \$	131 851 \$	107 878 \$
Kawartha Lakes	104 633	946 802 \$	781 112 \$	639 092 \$
Kenora	68 202	617 146 \$	509 145 \$	416 573 \$
Kingston	4 739 417	42 885 998 \$	35 380 948 \$	28 948 049 \$
Comté de Lanark	16 900	152 925 \$	126 163 \$	103 224 \$
LaSalle	3 132	28 341 \$	23 381 \$	19 130 \$
Leamington	28 492	257 818 \$	212 700 \$	174 027 \$
London	22 641 496	204 878 185 \$	169 024 503 \$	138 292 775 \$
Canton de Loyalist	99 298	898 527 \$	741 285 \$	606 506 \$
Machin	968	8 759 \$	7 226 \$	5 912 \$
Marmora and Lake	4 554	41 208 \$	33 997 \$	27 816 \$
Meaford	4 449	40 258 \$	33 213 \$	27 174 \$
Metrolinx	65 546 623	593 117 749 \$	889 676 624 \$	
Milton	54 333	3 920 678 \$	3 234 560 \$	2 646 458 \$

Réseau de transport en commun	Estimation fédérale du nombre d'usagers (ACTU 2015)	Affectation fédérale	Coûts/part du financement provincial	Coûts/part du financement municipal
Midland	433 282	491 648 \$	405 610 \$	331 862 \$
Mississauga	37 463 426	338 998 744 \$	279 673 964 \$	228 824 153 \$
Niagara Falls	2 289 640	20 718 476 \$	17 092 743 \$	13 984 971 \$
Région de Niagara	205 643	1 860 821 \$	1 535 177 \$	1 256 054 \$
Niagara-on-the-Lake	16 457	148 916 \$	122 856 \$	100 518 \$
Comté de Norfolk.	7 123	64 455 \$	53 175 \$	43 507 \$
North Bay	1 606 582	14 537 626 \$	11 993 542 \$	9 812 898 \$
Perth Nord	8 376	75 793 \$	62 529 \$	51 160 \$
Oakville	2 931 278	26 524 524 \$	21 882 733 \$	17 904 054 \$
Orangeville	112 709	1 019 880 \$	841 401 \$	688 419 \$
Orillia	758 405	6 862 649 \$	5 661 685 \$	4 632 288 \$
Ottawa	97 401 971	881 370 164 \$	727 130 385 \$	594 924 860 \$
Owen Sound	203 598	1 842 316 \$	1 519 911 \$	1 243 563 \$
Parry Sound	1 028	9 302 \$	7 674 \$	6 279 \$
Peel	618 508	5 596 750 \$	4 617 319 \$	3 777 806 \$
Pembroke	14 479	131 017 \$	108 089 \$	88 437 \$
Perth Est	11 797	106 749 \$	88 068 \$	72 055 \$
Cité de Peterborough	3 445 120	31 174 174 \$	25 718 693 \$	21 042 567 \$
Comté de Peterborough	2 649	23 970 \$	19 775 \$	16 180 \$
Point Edward	25 970	234 997 \$	193 873 \$	158 623 \$
Port Colborne	26 417	239 042 \$	197 210 \$	161 353 \$
Port Hope	62 674	567 124 \$	467 877 \$	382 809 \$
Comté de Prince Edward	7 945	71 893 \$	59 311 \$	48 528 \$
Quinte Ouest	90 132	815 586 \$	672 858 \$	550 520 \$
Renfrew	38 901	352 007 \$	290 406 \$	237 605 \$
Russell	52 524	475 279 \$	392 105 \$	320 813 \$
Sarnia	1 224 552	11 080 716 \$	9 141 591 \$	7 479 483 \$
Sault Ste. Marie	1 924 429	17 413 757 \$	14 366 350 \$	11 754 286 \$

Réseau de transport en commun	Estimation fédérale du nombre d'usagers (ACTU 2015)	Affectation fédérale	Coûts/part du financement provincial	Coûts/part du financement municipal
Schreiber	1 861	16 840 \$	13 893 \$	11 367 \$
St. Catharines	5 197 617	47 032 154 \$	38 801 527 \$	31 746 704 \$
St. Marys	11 634	105 274 \$	86 851 \$	71 060 \$
St. Thomas	244 754	2 214 728 \$	1 827 151 \$	1 494 941 \$
Stratford	626 273	5 667 014 \$	4 675 287 \$	3 825 234 \$
Tecumseh	28 134	254 579 \$	210 027 \$	171 841 \$
Temiskaming Shores	138 000	1 248 733 \$	1 030 205 \$	842 895 \$
Thorold	327 370	2 962 303 \$	2 443 900 \$	1 999 555 \$
Thunder Bay	3 675 992	33 263 287 \$	27 442 211 \$	22 452 718 \$
Timmins	931 937	8 432 904 \$	6 957 146 \$	5 692 210 \$
Toronto	541 130 333	4 896 575 759 \$	4 039 675 001 \$	3 305 188 637 \$
Trent Hills	4 017	36 349 \$	29 988 \$	24 536 \$
Wasaga Beach	72 553	656 517 \$	541 627 \$	443 149 \$
Waterloo Region	20 667 060	187 011 925 \$	154 284 838 \$	126 233 049 \$
Wawa	1 193	10 795 \$	8 906 \$	7 287 \$
Welland	865 960	7 835 892 \$	6 464 611 \$	5 289 227 \$
Elgin Ouest	2 724	24 649 \$	20 335 \$	16 638 \$
Perth Ouest	3 875	35 064 \$	28 928 \$	23 668 \$
Windsor	6 399 789	57 910 359 \$	47 776 046 \$	39 089 492 \$
Woodstock	360 370	3 260 913 \$	2 690 253 \$	2 201 116 \$
Région de York	22 505 052	203 643 531 \$	168 005 914 \$	137 459 384 \$
Totaux	921 711 438	8 340 374 969 \$	7 281 163 830 \$	5 229 398 623 \$

Overview:

The table below illustrates Ontario's ICIP public transit allocation by municipal/regional transit system.

Note that based on federal terms and conditions, the federal allocation represents a 40 per cent contribution to total project costs for eligible transit projects.

The table below illustrates the potential provincial and municipal contributions if Ontario contributes 33 per cent and municipalities contribute 27 per cent to match federal funding.

Transit System	Federal Ridership Estimate (2015 CUTA)	Federal Allocation	Estimated Provincial Cost Match	Estimated Municipal Cost Match
Bancroft	9,317	\$84,308	\$69,554	\$56,908
Barrie	2,587,964	\$23,417,948	\$19,319,807	\$15,807,115
Belleville	906,218	\$8,200,178	\$6,765,147	\$5,535,120
Blind River	1,385	\$12,533	\$10,339	\$8,459
Bradford Gwillimbury	25,541	\$231,115	\$190,670	\$156,003
Brampton	21,178,343	\$191,638,418	\$158,101,695	\$129,355,932
Burlington	1,588,225	\$18,086,987	\$14,921,765	\$12,208,717
Brantford	117,406	\$14,371,517	\$11,856,502	\$9,700,774
Brockville	1,998,829	\$1,062,382	\$876,466	\$717,108
Chapleau	3,303	\$29,888	\$24,658	\$20,175
Chatham-Kent	218,274	\$1,975,116	\$1,629,471	\$1,333,203
Clarence-Rockland	151,450	\$1,370,440	\$1,130,613	\$925,047
Cobourg	111,288	\$1,007,022	\$830,793	\$679,740
Cochrane	6,495	\$58,772	\$48,487	\$39,671
Collingwood	221,294	\$2,002,443	\$1,652,016	\$1,351,649
Cornwall	804,007	\$7,275,292	\$6,002,116	\$4,910,822
Cramahe	2,904	\$26,278	\$21,679	\$17,737
Deseronto	17,040	\$154,191	\$127,208	\$104,079
Durham Region	4,471	\$94,998,053	\$78,373,394	\$64,123,686
Dryden	10,498,424	\$40,457	\$33,377	\$27,309
Dysart et Al	1,510	\$13,664	\$11,273	\$9,223
Elliot Lake	103,316	\$934,885	\$771,280	\$631,047

Transit System	Federal Ridership Estimate (2015 CUTA)	Federal Allocation	Estimated Provincial Cost Match	Estimated Municipal Cost Match
Espanola	5,456	\$49,370	\$40,730	\$33,325
Fort Erie	57,921	\$524,115	\$432,395	\$353,778
Fort Frances	21,404	\$193,680	\$159,786	\$130,734
Greater Sudbury	4,394,171	\$39,761,939	\$32,803,600	\$26,839,309
Greenstone	2,017	\$18,251	\$15,057	\$12,320
Guelph	6,433,333	\$58,213,891	\$48,026,460	\$39,294,377
Halton Hills	62,748	\$567,793	\$468,430	\$383,261
Hamilton	22,586,728	\$204,382,600	\$168,615,646	\$137,958,256
Hanover	33,941	\$307,125	\$253,378	\$207,309
Hearst	11,508	\$104,133	\$85,910	\$70,290
Huntsville	28,966	\$262,107	\$216,239	\$176,922
Ingersoll	3,969	\$35,915	\$29,630	\$24,242
Kapuskasing	17,662	\$159,820	\$131,851	\$107,878
Kawartha Lakes	104,633	\$946,802	\$781,112	\$639,092
Kenora	68,202	\$617,146	\$509,145	\$416,573
Kingston	4,739,417	\$42,885,998	\$35,380,948	\$28,948,049
Lanark County	16,900	\$152,925	\$126,163	\$103,224
LaSalle	3,132	\$28,341	\$23,381	\$19,130
Leamington	28,492	\$257,818	\$212,700	\$174,027
London	22,641,496	\$204,878,185	\$169,024,503	\$138,292,775
Loyalist Township	99,298	\$898,527	\$741,285	\$606,506
Machin	968	\$8,759	\$7,226	\$5,912
Marmora and Lake	4,554	\$41,208	\$33,997	\$27,816
Meaford	4,449	\$40,258	\$33,213	\$27,174
Metrolinx	65,546,623	\$593,117,749	\$889,676,624	
Milton	54,333	\$3,920,678	\$3,234,560	\$2,646,458
Midland	433,282	\$491,648	\$405,610	\$331,862
Mississauga	37,463,426	\$338,998,744	\$279,673,964	\$228,824,153
Niagara Falls	2,289,640	\$20,718,476	\$17,092,743	\$13,984,971
Niagara Region	205,643	\$1,860,821	\$1,535,177	\$1,256,054

Transit System	Federal Ridership Estimate (2015 CUTA)	Federal Allocation	Estimated Provincial Cost Match	Estimated Municipal Cost Match
Niagara-on-the-Lake	16,457	\$148,916	\$122,856	\$100,518
Norfolk County	7,123	\$64,455	\$53,175	\$43,507
North Bay	1,606,582	\$14,537,626	\$11,993,542	\$9,812,898
North Perth	8,376	\$75,793	\$62,529	\$51,160
Oakville	2,931,278	\$26,524,524	\$21,882,733	\$17,904,054
Orangeville	112,709	\$1,019,880	\$841,401	\$688,419
Orillia	758,405	\$6,862,649	\$5,661,685	\$4,632,288
Ottawa	97,401,971	\$881,370,164	\$727,130,385	\$594,924,860
Owen Sound	203,598	\$1,842,316	\$1,519,911	\$1,243,563
Parry Sound	1,028	\$9,302	\$7,674	\$6,279
Peel	618,508	\$5,596,750	\$4,617,319	\$3,777,806
Pembroke	14,479	\$131,017	\$108,089	\$88,437
Perth East	11,797	\$106,749	\$88,068	\$72,055
Peterborough City	3,445,120	\$31,174,174	\$25,718,693	\$21,042,567
Peterborough County	2,649	\$23,970	\$19,775	\$16,180
Point Edward	25,970	\$234,997	\$193,873	\$158,623
Port Colborne	26,417	\$239,042	\$197,210	\$161,353
Port Hope	62,674	\$567,124	\$467,877	\$382,809
Prince Edward County	7,945	\$71,893	\$59,311	\$48,528
Quinte West	90,132	\$815,586	\$672,858	\$550,520
Renfrew	38,901	\$352,007	\$290,406	\$237,605
Russell	52,524	\$475,279	\$392,105	\$320,813
Sarnia	1,224,552	\$11,080,716	\$9,141,591	\$7,479,483
Sault Ste Marie	1,924,429	\$17,413,757	\$14,366,350	\$11,754,286
Schreiber	1,861	\$16,840	\$13,893	\$11,367
St. Catharines	5,197,617	\$47,032,154	\$38,801,527	\$31,746,704
St. Marys	11,634	\$105,274	\$86,851	\$71,060
St. Thomas	244,754	\$2,214,728	\$1,827,151	\$1,494,941
Stratford	626,273	\$5,667,014	\$4,675,287	\$3,825,234
Tecumseh	28,134	\$254,579	\$210,027	\$171,841

Transit System	Federal Ridership Estimate (2015 CUTA)	Federal Allocation	Estimated Provincial Cost Match	Estimated Municipal Cost Match
Temiskaming Shores	138,000	\$1,248,733	\$1,030,205	\$842,895
Thorold	327,370	\$2,962,303	\$2,443,900	\$1,999,555
Thunder Bay	3,675,992	\$33,263,287	\$27,442,211	\$22,452,718
Timmins	931,937	\$8,432,904	\$6,957,146	\$5,692,210
Toronto	541,130,333	\$4,896,575,759	\$4,039,675,001	\$3,305,188,637
Trent Hills	4,017	\$36,349	\$29,988	\$24,536
Wasaga Beach	72,553	\$656,517	\$541,627	\$443,149
Waterloo Region	20,667,060	\$187,011,925	\$154,284,838	\$126,233,049
Wawa	1,193	\$10,795	\$8,906	\$7,287
Welland	865,960	\$7,835,892	\$6,464,611	\$5,289,227
West Elgin	2,724	\$24,649	\$20,335	\$16,638
West Perth	3,875	\$35,064	\$28,928	\$23,668
Windsor	6,399,789	\$57,910,359	\$47,776,046	\$39,089,492
Woodstock	360,370	\$3,260,913	\$2,690,253	\$2,201,116
York Region	22,505,052	\$203,643,531	\$168,005,914	\$137,459,384
Totals	921,711,438	\$8,340,374,969	\$7,281,163,830	\$5,229,398,623



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Apr. 18th, 2018

Councillor David Pickles, Chair, Durham Region Health & Social Services Committee, and Vice-Chair, Affordable & Seniors' Housing Task Force 605 Rossland Rd. E
Whitby, Ontario, L1N 6A3

RE: Durham Region - Affordable & Seniors' Housing Task Force Report

Dear Councillor Pickles,

Thank you for sharing Durham Regional Council's Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force Report. I greatly value your commitment to ensuring that the residents of Durham Region whom we all serve have access to affordable and adequate housing.

I have shared the Council's Task Force Report with the Ontario Progressive Conservative Critic for Municipal Affairs and Housing, Ernie Hardeman.

Thank you and the staff for your excellent work. I look forward to continuing to work with you and your colleagues in addressing together this priority for Durham Region residents.

Sincerely,

Lorne Coe, MPP Whitby-Oshawa

Official Opposition Critic for Education

and Post-Secondary Education

Cc: Dr. Hugh Drouin, Commissioner, Social Services

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Subject: Do you know an environmental champion?

Dear Regional and Municipal Clerks:

We ask that you please share the message below from Mike Walters with your Members of Council.

Thank you!

Trish Barnett

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Dear Chairs, Mayors and members of Council:

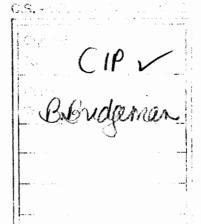
Nominate an environmental champion for a Conservation Award today!

I'm very pleased to announce that nominations are now open for LSRCA's 37th Annual Conservation Awards!

Do you know someone who is a Lake Simcoe Watershed Hero? Maybe their efforts are inspiring great strides in conservation education, or their project will result in long term environmental benefits and the health of a community. Or maybe you know a young person, or a group of youth who've done something impactful to preserve our environment?

Eligible nominations for LSRCA's Conservation Awards are based on significant conservation projects completed by individuals, groups, or businesses, within the Lake Simcoe Watershed between August 2017 and June 2018 in the following categories:

- 1. Healthy Water
- 2. Healthy Lands
- 3. Healthy Communities



- 4. Ernie Crossland Young Conservationist Award
- 5. George R. Richardson Award of Honour

Projects happening between now and June may still be eligible for an award!

The award ceremony will take place on Tuesday October 16, 2018 at Madsen's Banquet Hall in Newmarket. At the event, we will take the opportunity to recognize their efforts and celebrate their successes.

Thank you for taking the time to recognize and <u>nominate</u> those who've demonstrated their commitment to the health of our watershed for future generations.

If you have any questions about the nomination process or would like help submitting a nomination, please don't hesitate to reach out. Katarina Zeppieri is happy to work with you to collect the pertinent details for submission and to determine if a project is eligible. She may be reached at <u>k.zeppieri@LSRCA.on.ca</u> or at ext. 116.

The deadline to submit nominations is Friday June 15, 2018.

Thank you for supporting our Conservation Awards program.

Mike

Michael Walters

Chief Administrative Officer

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April 20, 2018

Sent via email clerks@durham.ca

Ms. Debi Wilcox Regional Clerk Regional Municipality of Durham Box 623, 605 Rossland Road East Whitby, Ontario, L1N 6A3

Dear Ms. Wilcox:

Re: Notice of Meeting to Approve the 2018 Non-Matching Levy for Toronto and Region Conservation Authority

Pursuant to Ontario Regulation 139/96, (as amended by O.R.106/98), I hereby give notice that Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) will be considering its 2018 budget including non-matching municipal levy on May 25, 2018.

In accordance with the "AMO/ACAO Protocol Pertaining to Non-Matching Municipal Funding of Watershed Programs", we are advising the Region of the date of the Authority meeting at which the budget will be considered and that it may wish to direct its appointed representatives as to how they should vote with respect to the non-matching levy. The weighted voting procedure required under Regulation 139/96 provides that each member votes in proportion to their municipality's share of current value assessment, as modified.

TRCA's 2018 operating and capital levy requests were submitted to Region of Durham in 2017 and received funding approval by Regional Council in February 2018 in the amount of \$1,612,875. The incremental funding of \$42,371 for the new head office facility will be invoiced separately. Regional Finance staff has complete information on TRCA funding requirements.

We appreciate the continuing support and cooperation of the Region in fulfillment of TRCA's vision for The Living City.

Yours very truly,

John MacKenzie, M.Sc.(PI/MCIP, RPP

Chief Executive Officer

cc: Susan Siopis, Commissioner, Finance, Region of Durham

Mary Simpson, Acting Commissioner, Finance, Region of Durham

Nicole Pincombe, Director, Business Planning, Budgets & Risk Management, Region of

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Minutes

Energy From Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee

Thursday, March 1, 2018

A meeting of the Energy From Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, March 1, 2018 in the Lower Level Boardroom (LL-C), Regional Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, at 7:03 PM.

Present: P. Ankrett, Scugog, Vice-Chair

W. Bracken, Clarington

A. Burrows, Ajax J. Hicks, Clarington J. Vinson, Clarington

Absent: G. Rocoski, Oshawa, Chair

T. Baker, Pickering E. Collis, Clarington P. Nelson, Brock

Non-Voting Members

Present: F. Langmaid, Manager of Special Projects

D. San Juan, Environmental Health Specialist, Health Department,

Durham Region

Councillor Joe Neal, Regional Councillor, Municipality of Clarington

Staff

Present: G. Anello, Manager, Waste Planning and Technical Services, Works

Department, Durham Region

C. Bandel, Deputy Clerk, Corporate Services- Legislative Services.

Durham Region

M. Januszkiewicz, Director, Waste Management

S. Penak, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative

Services, Durham Region

M. Seppala, Systems Support Specialist – Information Technology

Also

Present: Councillor John Neal, Regional Councillor, City of Oshawa

In the absence of the Chair, P. Ankrett, Vice-Chair, assumed the Chair.

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

2. Adoption of Minutes

W. Bracken stated that on page 4 of the November 23, 2017 minutes, under Item 8 Other Business, A) Update Gioseph Anello, Manager, Waste Planning and Technical Services, The Regional Municipality of Durham, re: the status of the EFW-WMAC educational tour of the Blackstock landfill, she felt a concern that she raised was not noted in the minutes.

Moved by W. Bracken, Seconded by J. Hicks,

That the minutes of the meeting held November 23, 2017 be amended to include the following sentence under Item 8 A):

W. Bracken raised a concern regarding the continuous emissions monitoring at the Durham York Energy Center, that it cannot detect exceedances of heavy metals and other problematic organic compounds such as dioxins and furans and that old landfills may be sources of these compounds.

CARRIED

Moved by J. Hicks, Seconded by W. Bracken,
That the minutes of the EFW-WMAC meeting held on
Thursday, November 23, 2017, as amended, be adopted.
CARRIED

3. Announcements

There were no announcements made.

4. Presentations

There were no presentations to be heard.

P. Ankrett reminded the Committee to send any suggestions for presentation topics to G. Rocoski.

5. Delegations

There were no delegations to be heard.

6. Correspondence

There were no correspondence items to be considered.

7. Administrative Matters

A) EFW-WMAC Terms of Reference: Term of Membership

A copy of the Terms of Reference was received as Attachment #2 to the EFW-WMAC agenda.

Discussion ensued regarding the Composition and Membership of the Committee. M. Januszkiewicz noted that the current Terms of Reference with any amendments would be effective with the new term of Council beginning in December 2018.

In response to a question, P. Ankrett clarified Regional Council's resolution made February 14, 2018 that the membership to the Energy from Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee be extended by one year to the end of 2018.

Further discussion ensued regarding a 2 year term versus a 4 year term, and the staggering of appointments to retain knowledge and consistency of membership. It was the consensus of the Committee to defer consideration of the revision to the Terms of Reference as it relates to the term of membership until the May 23, 2018 EFW-WMAC meeting, in order to have more members of the Committee present to participate in the discussion and make a decision on the matter.

Moved by J. Hicks, Seconded by J. Vinson,
That consideration of the EFW-WMAC Terms of Reference
be deferred to the May 23, 2018 EFW-WMAC Meeting.
CARRIED

8. Other Business

- A) Update by Gioseph Anello, Manager, Waste Planning and Technical Services, The Regional Municipality of Durham, re: the status of the EFW-WMAC educational tour of the Blackstock Landfill
 - G. Anello provided an update on the EFW-WMAC educational tour of the Blackstock landfill. He advised there was a fire at the waste transfer facility which has resulted in a delay of the landfill mining until October 2018. He noted that he will bring an update back in the Fall regarding the educational tour. He also noted the duration of the pilot project will remain the same, just one year later.
 - G. Anello answered questions from the Committee regarding the process of digging up the landfill and sorting of the materials; the processes undertaken for landfill mining at the Barrie and Simcoe County Landfills; if the ECA for the incinerator needs to be amended

in order to accept waste from the Blackstock Landfill; the state of decomposition of the waste found underground and any analysis that was completed on it; and how many decommissioned landfills the Region is responsible for.

G. Anello addressed concerns regarding possible heavy metals in the landfill and whether the ambient air monitoring at the DYEC would increase. He advised that an extensive investigation took place, in addition to monitoring groundwater and leachate for at least a decade with no indications of heavy metals. He also stated that as part of the landfill mining requirements for the contractor, there is a hazardous material plan in place to separate any hazardous material and dispose of it separately.

B) 2018 Solid Waste Management Servicing and Financing Study (2018-COW-11)

At the request of the Committee, M. Januszkiewicz reviewed the recommendations put forward to Council in the 2018 Solid Waste Management Servicing and Financing Study (Report #2018-COW-11). Recommendations included that Regional staff be authorized to conduct a mixed waste processing pilot in 2018 in preparation for the implementation of the new provincial organics management framework. The pilot includes a contract with Canada Fibres and their mixed waste pre-sort facility, Dongara, and diverting up to 10,000 metric tonnes of mixed waste from single family and multi-residential households from the Durham York Energy Centre.

M. Januszkiewicz stated that the information obtained through this pilot program will allow staff to come back to Council with recommendations on moving forward with the future of waste management in Durham.

W. Bracken referenced Attachment 2 of Report #2018-COW-11, page 3 of 4, Figure 34.6: Total Cost for Solid Waste (All Streams) Disposal per Tonne – All Property Classes. She asked M. Januszkiewicz to comment on Durham's cost of \$237/tonne. M. Januszkiewicz advised that the cost differences across municipalities reflect diverse service levels and differing circumstances. She also advised that the real cost of disposal is \$70/tonne at the Energy from Waste facility.

M. Januszkiewicz was asked to provide a breakdown of the following costs to the Committee:

- Direct costs to process the waste;
- Capital financing costs not including collection; and
- Any remaining costs.

Discussion also ensued regarding the source separation of waste at the curb and the current estimate for changing over to producer sorting; the Request For Information issued to gather information from the marketplace and potential business partners on viable options for the Region's long-term organics management plan; the Province's opinion on waste separation and it's targets; details of the organics management strategy being prepared for Council's consideration in May 2018; the amount of waste estimated to be sent to the Dongara facility; if the annual reporting for ambient air monitoring was completed for 2017 and when it will be posted to the website; what the current market for plastics is like; and the challenges with China's new strict regulations.

C) <u>Benzo(a)pyrene Exceedance</u>

Staff responded to questions regarding the high level concentrations of Benzo(a)pyrene downwind of the DYEC, and why this is being found in the soil near the DYEC. Staff advised the Committee that a re-test of the site was completed in October and levels were below the Ministry's standards. It was demonstrated that it was not attributed to the activities of the incinerator.

9. Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the EFW-WMAC will be Thursday, May 24, 2018 in the Lower Level Boardroom (LL-C), at 7:00 PM, Regional Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

10. Adjournment

Moved by P. Ankrett, Seconded by J. Hicks, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM.

P. Ankrett, Vice-Chair, Energy from Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee

S. Penak, Committee Clerk

The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

DURHAM AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 10, 2018

A regular meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 in Boardroom 1-B, Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 7:31 PM

Present: Z. Cohoon, Federation of Agriculture, Chair

F. Puterbough, Member at Large, Vice-Chair

T. Watpool, Brock, Vice-Chair

E. Bowman, Clarington, attended the meeting at 7:35 PM

B. Howsam, Member at Large

J. Henderson, Oshawa

K. Kemp, Scugog

K. Kennedy, Member at Large

G. O'Connor, Regional Councillor

D. Risebrough, Member at Large

H. Schillings, Whitby

B. Smith, Uxbridge

G. Taylor, Pickering

B. Winter, Ajax

Absent: I. Bacon, Member at Large

Staff

Present: K. Kilbourne, Project Planner, Department of Planning and Economic

Development

N. Rutherford, Manager, Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Department of Planning and Economic Development left the meeting at 8:47 PM

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

1. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by B. Howsam, Seconded by K. Kemp,

That the minutes of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting held on March 20, 2018 be adopted.

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Presentations

A) <u>Dan Ruby, Ontario Centres of Excellence, Overview of Programs</u>

The presentation from D. Ruby, Ontario Centres of Excellence, was deferred to the June 12th meeting.

B) Richard Scott, Parks Canada, Rouge Park Management Plan Update

Richard Scott and Omar McDadi provided a presentation to the Committee with regards to the Rouge Park Management Plan Update. A copy of a Parks Canada Newsletter entitled "Rouge Review – Rouge National Urban Park – 2017 Year In Review" as well as a map of the Rouge National Urban Park, were provided to committee members.

- O. McDadi stated that 2017 was a monumental year for Parks Canada. He stated that in collaboration with indigenous partners, park farmers, volunteers, various levels of government, conservation groups and community organizations, Parks Canada achieved a number of important legislative and land assembly milestones. He stated that Parks Canada currently manages or has an interest in nearly 80 per cent of the 79 square kilometres of Rouge National Urban Park lands which stretch from Lake Ontario in the South to the Oak Ridges Moraine in the North.
- R. Scott stated that the Rouge National Urban Park's draft management plan was released in 2014 and that there have been a series of recent workshops held with various stakeholders, farmers, volunteers, government agencies and the 10 first nations to obtain input and enrich the plan. Parks Canada is hoping to finalize the plan and submit to the Ministry of the Environment for approval later this year.
- R. Scott and O. McDadi also stated that Parks Canada is working on the development of a leasing strategy to transition to long-term leases with tenant farmers.
- R. Scott and O. McDadi responded to questions with regards to whether there are options available to terminate a 30 year lease and penalties involved; clarification of the leasing framework that will be submitted to farmers; rent rates for different classes of lands; clarification regarding the acres of lands rated as Class 1, 2 and 3 farmland; and whether Parks Canada has looked at other plans or models. The committee suggested that another representative from Parks Canada attend a subsequent meeting to provide further information and obtain feedback from the committee with regards to the long term lease strategy.

4. Discussion Items

The Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update was provided at this time.

D) Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update

N. Rutherford provided the following update on behalf of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Department of Planning and Economic Development:

- Durham Farm Connections has been nominated to receive the "Food & Farming Champion" Award at the Farm & Food Care Ontario Annual Conference on April 11, 2018.
- The Durham Farm Connections Grade 3 Annual Program was held on April 3 to 5, 2018, along with the associated public open house in the evening of April 4, 2018, at the Luther Vipond Memorial Arena in Brooklin and was a huge success.
- The Local Food Business Networking Event to pair producers with local restaurants and chefs was held at Durham College's Bistro 67, on April 10, 2018 from 10 AM to 1:30 PM and was well attended.
- The Region's lead Local Food Business Retention and Expansion Project is well underway and staff is hoping to interview 80 businesses by the end of April. So far the interviews have been engaging and a great way to make connections, understand local food opportunities and challenges and further provide various services and support to local business.
- Presentations from representatives from Durham Farm Connections and Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association were well received at the March 7, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting.

A) <u>Draft Agricultural Impact Assessment Guidance Document</u>

K. Kilbourne provided a PowerPoint Presentation with regards to the draft Agricultural Impact Assessment Guidance Document and the Agricultural Community Webinar held by the Province on March 28, 2018.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Overview of the Agricultural Impact Assessment (AIA) Guidance Document
- What is an Agricultural Impact Assessment?
- When is an AIA required?
- AlAs and the Agricultural System
- What do AlAs mean for farmers?

- Who will complete an AIA?
- Components of an AIA
- Role of farmers/landowners and agri-food representatives
- Questions

K. Kilbourne reviewed the results of the webinar and advised that the draft AIA Guidance Document is open for comment until July 2018. She requested that the committee provide their comments at the May meeting which will be incorporated into a staff report to be presented at the June 6th Committee of the Whole meeting.

B) <u>Climate Change Agricultural Task Force Update</u>

K. Kilbourne advised that the next Expert Task Farce meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2018.

C) <u>2018 DAAC Farm Tour</u>

D. Risebrough advised that the subcommittee met on March 28, 2018. He confirmed that the focus of the September 13th Farm Tour will be the full cycle of crop production. He confirmed that there is an excellent space at the site for the presentations and lunch and is waiting for confirmation of availability from speaker(s). It was requested that K. Kilbourne provide a copy of the invite list to committee members for their review before invitations are sent out. Members were asked to review names and provide any revisions as they see fit to K. Kilbourne.

5. Information Items

A) Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance Update (2018-INFO-46)

A copy of Report #2018-INFO-46 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development regarding the Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance was provided as Attachment #2 to the Agenda.

B) Regional Official Plan Amendment 2018-001, Youngfield Farms Limited (2018-COW-49)

A copy of Report #2018-COW-49 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development regarding the Application to amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Youngfield Farms Limited, was provided as Attachment #3 to the Agenda.

C) 2018 Development Charges Background Study and Proposed By-law (2018-COW-64)

A copy of the 2018 Development Charges Background Study and Proposed By-law was provided as Attachment #4 to the Agenda. Copies of Report 2018-COW-64, Public Meetings Regarding Proposed Development Charges By-laws and Background Studies were available for committee members. K. Kilbourne advised that written submissions are due by May 21, 2018 for consideration in the preparation of the final development charge recommendations and by-laws and it was recommended that the committee provide any comments at the May 8th DAAC meeting.

6. Other Business

A) Ontario Farmland Trust – Annual Farmland Forum

K. Kilbourne advised that she attended the Annual Farmland Forum in Prince Edward County on April 5, 2018. She stated that there were interesting presentations from Kim Grout from the Agricultural Land Commission in British Columbia with regards to the Agricultural Land Reserve and from OMAFRA with regards to Provincial Policy Perspectives.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 starting at 7:30 PM in Boardroom 1-B, Level 1, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

8. Adjournment

Moved by F. Puterbough, Seconded by K. Kennedy, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 PM

Z. Cohoon, Chair, Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee
N. Prasad. Committee Clerk

The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

DURHAM ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

April 19, 2018

A regular meeting of the Durham Environmental Advisory Committee was held on Thursday, April 19, 2018 in Boardroom 1-B, Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 7:05 PM.

Present: G. Carpentier, Scugog

O. Chaudhry, Pickering S. Clearwater, Whitby

J. Henry, Regional Councillor, City of Oshawa arrived at 7:34 PM and left at

9:00 PM

C. Junop, Youth Member

G. Layton, Uxbridge, Member at Large

H. Manns, Chair, Clarington W. Moss-Newman, Oshawa

K. Murray, Clarington, Member at Large C. Pettingill, Second Vice-Chair, Brock

E. Porter, Youth Member

M. Thompson, Ajax, Member at Large

Absent: C. Duffy, Post-Secondary Member

K. McDonald, Uxbridge

K. Sellers, First Vice-Chair, AjaxD. Stathopoulos, Member at Large

Staff

Present: A. Bathe, Project Planner, Planning & Economic Development Department

S. Penak, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

R. Trewin, Project Engineer, Region of Durham, Works Department

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by K. Murray, Seconded by O. Chaudhry,
That the agenda for the April 19, 2018, DEAC meeting, as presented, be approved.

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by C. Pettingill, Seconded by K. Murray,

That the minutes of the regular DEAC meeting held on Thursday, March 22, 2018 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. Presentations

A) Regional Tree Planting on Regional Roads – Ron Trewin, Project Engineer, Region of Durham Works Department

R. Trewin provided a presentation titled Planting in Durham as Part of the Regional Road Transportation Program.

Highlights from the presentation included:

- Examples of planting outside the road right of way
- How this presentation came about
- Planting within the road right of way
 - Capital roads growth budget projects
 - o Capital roads non growth reconstruction projects
 - o Annual roads landscape budget
 - Boulevard tree planting and early maintenance
 - Development boulevard tree planting in Urban areas
- Region Transportation Tree Planting Priorities
- Policies, Guidelines & Regulations for Tree Removals and Tree Planting
- Common Sense Rules for Tree Planting
- Landscape Standards for the Regional Road boulevards
- Project Understanding
 - Document planting vision for regional roads
 - Develop standard of planting to be achieved
 - Develop guidelines for tree planting locations and strategies
 - Develop tree species guidelines
- Examples of Region Tree Planting
 - Formal Urban Boulevard Tree Planting
 - o Formal Rural Boulevard Tree Planting Near the Property line
 - o Informal Rural Boulevard Tree Planting Near the Property line
 - o Boulevard Planting to Provide Screening
 - Restoration adjacent to the road within the Watercourse Area
 - Less Formalized tree planting where there is a Wider Corridor, more potential for varied species planting

- Informal planting on one side of Regional Road 57 and more formal planting where there is additional room available on the other side
- Closing
- R. Trewin discussed examples of planting outside the road right of way which included: relocating a 300 m section of Urfe Creek in Pickering; road embankment stabilization and creek locating along a minor section of Petticoat Creek; and Victoria Street road widening and reconstruction through the Lynde Shores Wetland.
- R. Trewin discussed the need to develop landscape standard guidelines for road designers, developers, local municipalities and Regional depot operations. He noted that CIMA, who have landscape architects and arborists, was hired to help develop these guidelines. He also noted that due to there being no landscape standards, common sense rules are then used which can include: planting salt tolerant trees and trees that are able to handle the exposure of drying hot and cold winds; low maintenance trees; and trees that do not block sight lines. R. Trewin emphasized that roads have a big impact on the environment and that transportation design is heavily involved with mitigation; protection; and enhancements.
- R. Trewin responded to questions of the Committee regarding plantings being chosen for purposes beyond esthetics that would add value back to the environment; the percentage of trees that are ornamental; whether species at risk assessments are completed for larger projects; a general road right of way standard; succession planting; the distance required if farmers wanted to plant trees for windbreak purposes; the damage brine does to the plants and trees when sprayed on the roads in comparison to road salt; any potential for the budget to be increased from the current \$150,000; and the inoculation of emerald ash trees.

Concerns were raised for the need to develop a strategy for invasive species management and a clean equipment protocol to reduce further invasive species such as phragmites.

R. Trewin advised the Committee that DEAC would have the opportunity to provide their comments to the consultant who is developing the landscape standards guidelines. A. Bathe will liaise with R. Trewin regarding this future opportunity.

The Committee noted their interest in having a presentation on the Emerald Ash Borer.

5. Items for Action

A) DEAC Awards Volunteers

A. Bathe will send out the Google Document early next week for the Committee to select what positions they would be interested in volunteering for that evening. She reminded the Committee that the DEAC Awards are being held May 30, 2018 at 6:30 PM in RM-LLC.

A. Bathe advised that DEAC's recommendations for the Awards will be considered at the Committee of the Whole meeting on May 2, 2018 and subsequently Regional Council on May 9, 2018 for approval.

E-mail confirmations will be sent to the award winners and electronic invitations will be sent out April 30, 2018.

B) <u>Vote to change May meeting date</u>

It was the consensus of the Committee to reschedule the May 17, 2018 DEAC meeting to follow the DEAC awards being held May 30, 2018 at 6:30 PM.

Moved by G. Carpentier, Seconded by M. Thompson,

That the DEAC meeting of May 17, 2018 be rescheduled to May 30, 2018 at 8:30 PM in RM 1-A to immediately follow the DEAC Environmental Achievement Awards being held May 30, 2018 at 6:30 PM in RM-LLC.

CARRIED

6. Items for Information

A) <u>Commissioner's Report #2018-INFO-45 – Organics Management Methods</u>

A copy of Report #2018-INFO-45 of the Commissioner of Works was received as Attachment #2 to the agenda.

Discussion ensued regarding the regulations for aerobic composting; septage regulations; potential risk of micro-plastics getting mixed in with waste; and reasons why the Region does not accept pet and hygiene waste in the current organics diversion program.

The Committee noted that they would be interested in having a presentation on Organics Management in the future.

B) Commissioner's Report #2018-INFO-46 – Golden Horseshoe Food and Farm Alliance Update

A copy of Report #2018-INFO-46 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development was received as Attachment #3 to the agenda.

H. Manns advised that she would find out more information about the Golden Horseshoe Food and Farm Alliance for the Committee.

C) Notice of Study Commencement – Lynde Creek Master Drainage Plan Update, Municipal Class Environmental Assessment

Notice of Study Commencement – Lynde Creek Master Drainage Plan Update, Municipal Class Environmental Assessment from AECOM Canada Ltd. was received as Attachment #4 to the agenda.

A. Bathe noted that the Lynde Creek Master Drainage Plan is a Town of Whitby project in partnership with CLOCA.

Moved by C. Junop, Seconded by S. Clearwater,
That Information Items A) to C) inclusive, be received for information.

CARRIED

7. Other Business

A) DEAC Info Hub Example – Phragmites (Sample Topic)

H. Manns presented her idea for a project DEAC could participate in titled: DEAC Info Hub.

Highlights included:

- How hub would work
- Phragmites Page (Introduction, Reports, Methods Used & Follow-Up)
- How this would work
- Information Benefits
- DEAC Benefits

Discussion ensued regarding the logistics of having a DEAC Info Hub; how information would be compiled by the students with an appointed member of DEAC; and when it would be brought back to the Committee to be reviewed. Further discussion ensued regarding various topics that would be of interest to the Committee such as Meadowlarks and Phragmites.

Discussion also ensued regarding other ideas that DEAC could participate in such as a DEAC Tip of the Season; a Newsletter; a Did you Know?; and the possibility of posting tweets through Twitter.

A. Bathe advised she will email H. Manns' presentation to the Committee. She will also follow-up with Corporate Communications in order to discuss specific parameters that DEAC would need to work within regarding posting to the Regional website and using other social media outlets.

B) Livestock Production's Impact on Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GHG)

C. Pettingill informed the Committee that after the Durham Climate Change Symposium she wrote to James Nowlan, Director, Climate Change Policy Branch, and Lisa Schultz, Senior Policy Coordinator, Climate Change Mitigation, Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, regarding the role of livestock production missing from the agenda at the Durham Climate Change Symposium. C. Pettingill received a response from L. Schultz and advised she would email her response to the Committee.

C) <u>Great Canadian Birdathon 2018</u>

G. Carpentier announced that he will be taking part in the 2018 Great Canadian Birdathon. He asked that any members wishing to sponsor his participation contact him directly.

D) Port Granby Project Citizen Liaison Group (CLG)

S. Clearwater de-briefed the Committee on her Port Granby Tour and Orientation. Discussion ensued regarding the clean-up and long-term safe management of historic low level radioactive waste.

E) Ontario Envirothon

K. Murray announced that she and a group from her school would be participating in the Envirothon on Tuesday April 24, 2018 by planting trees.

F) A Future for the Lands: Economic impact of Remaining Pickering Federal Lands if Returned to Permanent Agriculture Study

Councillor Henry informed the Committee on a recent study completed by Land over Landings. It included information regarding extending farming leases to 30 years and creating agri-business and tourism in North Pickering.

G) Ajax Green Living Days

C. Junop informed the Committee that the Town of Ajax will be hosting a tree planting event Saturday April 21, 2018 from 10 AM - 1PM at the Ajax Waterfront.

H) Ontario BioBlitz 2018

A. Bathe informed the Committee that the 2018 Ontario BioBlitz will be held at the Lynde Creek Watershed at Heber Downs Conservation Area. This event is open to the public with numerous activities available including information booths and displays; hands on species identification experience; kid friendly activities; and guided walks.

8. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Durham Environmental Advisory Committee will be held on Thursday, May 30, 2018 starting at 8:30 PM in Boardroom 1-A, Level 1, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, following the DEAC Environmental Achievement Awards.

9. Adjournment

Moved by K. Murray, Seconded by C. Pettingill, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:09 PM

H. Manns, Chair, Durham Environmental Advisory Committee

S. Penak, Committee Clerk