

CITY OF VAUGHAN
REPORT NO. 14 OF THE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
(WORKING SESSION)

*For consideration by the Council
of the City of Vaughan
on April 2, 2007*

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) met at 9:45 a.m., on March 20, 2007.

Present: Councillor Peter Meffe, Chair
Regional Councillor Joyce Frustaglio (10:00 a.m.)
Regional Councillor Mario F. Ferri
Regional Councillor Gino Rosati
Councillor Tony Carella
Councillor Bernie Di Vona
Councillor Alan Shefman
Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco

Also Present: Youth Councillor Steven Xu (10:05 a.m.)

The following items were dealt with:

1 5 YEAR PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated March 20, 2007, be approved; and**
- 2) That the presentation by the Supervisor, Infrastructure Management, and presentation material submitted entitled, "5-Year Pavement Management Program", be received.**

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Services recommends:

1. That the proposed 5 Year Pavement Management Program be approved; and
2. That the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works be authorized to engage external professional services for the preliminary engineering and design of the projects proposed in the 5 Year Pavement Management Program upon approval of the 2007 Capital Budget Item EN-1655-07 Pre-Engineering Pavement Management Program.

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PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE MASTER PLAN

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:

- 1) That Clauses 1, 2, 3 and 5 of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Planning, the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Commissioner of Community Services, dated March 20, 2007, be approved;**
- 2) That Clause 4 be referred to the Budget Committee and that staff provide a further report addressing Members of Council's comments;**
- 3) That development charges funding opportunities be identified;**
- 4) That funding opportunities from other sources be identified and aggressively pursued;**
- 5) That the economic aspect and any such modifications to the plan be directly related to the funding;**
- 6) That staff provide a report on the feasibility of establishing a Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan committee;**
- 7) That staff bring forward recommendations to the last meeting in May 2007 regarding related initiatives that can be implemented in the short term, including bicycle to parking spot ratio, integration to existing and future transit facilities, mapping of City facilities illustrating a connecting network of routes and traffic calming measures in subdivisions;**
- 8) That the presentation by Mr. David B. Richardson, Senior Project Manager, Transportation Planning Associate Partner, Marshall Macklin Monaghan, 80 Commerce Valley Drive East, Thornhill, L3T 7N4, and presentation material submitted entitled, "Final Report Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan Study", dated January 2007, be received; and**
- 9) That the written submission of Ms. Deborah Schulte, dated March 20, 2007, be received.**

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning, the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works and the Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Finance and Corporate Services recommend:

- 1) That Council receive and approve in principle the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan prepared by Marshall Macklin Monaghan;**
- 2) That the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan be considered as part of the approval process of development applications;**
- 3) That a Terms of Reference be prepared by the Commissioners of Engineering and Public Works, Community Services, and Finance and Corporate Services, and co-ordinated by the Commissioner of Planning to study and review costing, funding and implementation of the programs and facilities proposed in the Pedestrian and Bicycle Master Plan and brought back to a future meeting of Committee of the Whole;**
- 4) That an amount not to exceed \$35,000 be added to the 2007 Capital Budget to undertake this additional work and that this request be referred to the Budget Committee for consideration; and**

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- 5) That the City request confirmation from the Region of York on the Region's commitment to funding for pedestrian and cycling facilities within Regional right-of-ways and any other options and programs being developed for the implementation of Regional Pedestrian and Cycling Master Plan.

3 **TASK FORCE ON DEMOCRATIC PARTICIPATION AND RENEWAL**
(Referred from the Budget Committee meeting of February 20, 2007)

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:

- 1) **That Clauses 1, 2 and 3 of the recommendation contained in the following report of Councillor Carella, dated February 20, 2007, be approved; and**
- 2) **That a question be added to the Strategic Planning survey on whether the survey participant voted in the 2006 municipal election and in the case of a negative response, the reason why the respondent did not vote.**

Recommendation

Council, at its meeting of February 26, 2007, adopted the following:

That this matter be referred to the next Committee of the Whole (Working Session) meeting.

Report of Councillor Carella dated February 20, 2007

Recommendation:

Councillor Tony Carella in consultation with Mr Steven Del Duca, Chair, *Go Vote Vaughan*, recommends that Council authorize the creation of a task force to address the issue of voter participation in municipal elections in the City of Vaughan, in order to determine;

- (1) by means of a scientifically-rigorous poll and anecdotal reports of citizens submitted by a variety of means (including but not limited to on-line responses to a questionnaire available at the City's website) why citizens *do not* exercise their democratic right to vote;
- (2) what opportunities, as suggested by experts in these matters or as demonstrated in other jurisdictions, may exist for increasing participation in municipal elections by current and future eligible voters;
- (3) how such opportunities might best be realized in the context of the City of Vaughan, in order to increase voter participation in future municipal elections; such task force to be governed by the attached terms of reference and, with respect to "Panel 1" of the task force only, co-chaired by Councillor Carella and Mr. Del Duca;
- (4) and further, that the costs of this initiative, as indicated immediately below, be paid from the Election Reserve.

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Peter Meffe, Chair