

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FEBRUARY 3, 2003

ANTI-LITTERING SIGNAGE AT SUPER MAIL BOX LOCATIONS

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

1. That this report be received for information; and
2. That the matter of signage at Super Mail Box locations be considered further as part of the development of a City wide anti-littering campaign.

Purpose

To advise Council as to the cost of installing anti-littering signage at Super Mail boxes.

Background - Analysis and Options

On June 25, 2001, Council requested staff to investigate the feasibility of installing signage concerning the City's littering by-law at Super Mail Box locations across the City.

As of December 31, 2001, staff had identified 622 Super Mail Box locations across the City. However, due to Vaughan's rapid growth, the number of Super Mail Box locations is now closer to 700. Excluding the time required to arrange the necessary utility locates for each of the 700 locations, and excluding employee benefits and burden calculations, it would cost approximately \$98 per location to install a "stand alone" anti-littering sign. If an existing utility pole or street light pole is close to the Super Mail Box, the cost of the installation can be reduced by the cost of the sign post (\$25).

Based on 700 Super Mail Box locations, and the estimated cost of \$98 per "stand alone" sign, the cost to install anti-littering signage at Super Mail Boxes across the City would be approximately \$68,600. Funds for this work have not been included in the Public Works Department's 2003 Operating Budget.

Notwithstanding the above, staff will be meeting with representatives of GTA municipalities later this month to review various anti-litter campaigns, in order to develop a more comprehensive approach to deal with litter. A further report will be presented to Council on this matter in the near future.

Conclusion

Excluding employee benefit and burden costs, the cost to install anti-littering signage at all Super Mail Box locations across the City would be approximately \$68,600.

Funds for this work have not been included in the Public Works Department's 2003 Operating Budget.

A more comprehensive report on an anti-littering campaign will be presented to Council in the near future.

Attachments

N/A

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