

**ASIAN LONG-HORNED BEETLE INTERGOVERNMENTAL TASK FORCE  
RESOLUTIONS**

**Recommendation**

The Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force recommends:

That Vaughan Council adopt the resolutions contained in Attachment 1.

**Purpose**

Adoption of the resolutions of the Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force.

**Background - Analysis and Options**

At the Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force meeting of July 14, 2004, resolutions were provided for the Task Force's consideration by the inter-agency comprised of representatives from the City of Toronto, City of Vaughan, York Region, and TRCA. The Task Force approved the resolutions and added a further resolution at the meeting of September 23, 2004. The Task Force directed the resolutions be presented to Vaughan Council for adoption.

**Conclusion**

The attached resolutions are before Council as directed by the Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force.

**Attachments**

Attachment 1 - Resolution

Attachment 2 - Minutes of the July 12, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Bernie Di Vona  
Chair  
Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force

**CITY OF VAUGHAN  
ASIAN LONG-HORNED BEETLE INTERGOVERNMENTAL TASK FORCE  
RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MEETING OF JULY 14, 2004**

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At the meeting of September 23, 2004, the Task Force directed that the following resolutions be submitted to Vaughan Council for adoption:

**Resolution 1**

WHEREAS the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has allocated tree replacement funding, based on the inventory of trees that have been cut as part of the ALHB eradication program, to be allocated based on property ownership and costs.

WHEREAS every effort may be made to encourage private landowners to replant with the native, non-host species.

AND WHEREAS it is likely that some of the allocated funding will not be applied for.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT The Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force recommend that the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada be requested to make the remaining funds available to the affected municipalities for plantings on public lands to ensure that there is no loss of tree cover and that Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) provide a status of the up-take on the replanting program in the fall of 2004, spring 2005, and fall 2005 (and spring and fall 2006 should Recommendation 5 be approved).

**Resolution 2**

WHEREAS the funding that has been allocated by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) does not cover replacement plantings for certain Rights of Way, Utility corridors, and woodlands that are not parks.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force recommend that Management Board Secretariat direct the Ontario Realty Corporation to replace the lost cover in provincial lands in consultation with Ministry of Natural Resources, Ministry of Transportation, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, York Region, City of Vaughan, and City of Toronto.

**Resolution 3**

WHEREAS the funding that has been allocated by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) does not cover replacement planting for CN/CP ROWs.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) be requested to identify the number of trees removed from these ROWs.

AND THAT CN/CP be requested to contribute financial or in-kind resources to replant areas within their ROWs where trees can be left to grow to maturity and/or to establish a urban forest with this funding within the regulated areas in consultation with the Ministry of Natural Resources, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, York Region, City of Vaughan, and City of Toronto.

#### **Resolution 4**

WHEREAS the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has allocated \$150 dollars per tree for replacement of Municipal trees.

AND WHEREAS the cost to municipalities for replacement trees, planting, plant warrantees and maintenance exceeds the funding allocated.

AND WHEREAS there is considerable evidence that the original cost of trees was considerable higher.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT The Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force request that the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) increase the funding allocation for municipal trees to \$300 consistent with the funds allocated for tree replacement on private lands.

#### **Resolution 5**

WHEREAS the federal funding program for tree replacement ends on December 31, 2005.

WHEREAS there are only 3 planting windows (fall 2004, spring 2005, and Fall 2005) before the program terminates.

AND WHEREAS time is required for the nursery industry to provide suitable species, at appropriate sizes, to ensure diversity in the plantings and for municipalities to prepare contracts for city trees.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) be requested to extend the window for funding at least until December 31, 2006.

#### **Resolution 6**

WHEREAS the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has detailed inventories of trees that have been removed.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the inventories be released so that all agencies can have a better understanding of the replacement requirements.

### **CITY OF VAUGHAN ASIAN LONG-HORNED BEETLE INTERGOVERNMENTAL TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2004**

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At the meeting of September 23, 2004, the Task Force directed that the following resolutions be submitted to Vaughan Council for adoption:

#### **Resolution 7**

That CFIA be requested to reimburse the City of Vaughan, Region of York, and the City of Toronto for all extra costs incurred for waste collection as result of the Asian Long-Horned Beetle invasion.



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ASIAN LONG-HORNED BEETLE  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL TASK FORCE  
Wednesday, July 14, 2004  
9:30 a.m.**

**MINUTES**

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A meeting of the Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force was held on Wednesday, July 14, 2004, at Black Creek Pioneer Village, South Theatre, with the following present:

Present:

*Appointed Representatives*

Councillor Bernie Di Vona, City of Vaughan  
Councillor Suzan Hall, City of Toronto  
Regional Councillor Mario Ferri, Representing York Region  
Ben Gasman, Canadian Food Inspection Agency  
Dick O'Brien, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority  
Tracy Smith, Ministry of Natural Resources (on behalf of George Ross)

*Staff Representatives*

Jacqueline Cosgrove, Corporate Communications, City of Vaughan  
Marjie Fraser, Parks Operations & Forestry, City of Vaughan  
Terry Dinatale, Parks Operations & Forestry, City of Vaughan  
Mary Orr, Canadian Food Inspection Agency  
Dena Lewis, Toronto and Region Conservation Agency  
Ian Buchanan, York Region  
Beth McEwen, City of Toronto

Rose Magnifico, Clerks Department, City of Vaughan

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m.

The Task Force resolved that Councillor Suzan Hall and Councillor Bernie Di Vona would alternate chairing the meetings.

1. **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

The Agenda was confirmed as presented.

3. ITEMS REQUIRING DISCUSSION

York Region Representative

Regional Councillor Ferri advised that York Region had appointed him to the Task Force as their representative and that documentation regarding the appointment would be forwarded to the Clerk's office of the City of Vaughan.

- i. Updates:
- City of Toronto
  - City of Vaughan
  - TRCA
  - York Region

Ian Buchanan, York Region, stressed the importance of completing the urban tree re-coverage and advised that the inter-agency group comprised of representatives from the above noted agencies were meeting on a regular basis to discuss and coordinate replacement plantings. On behalf of the inter-agency, Ian Buchanan presented recommendations for submission to the Minister of Agriculture and Agri Food Canada. The Task Force reviewed and discussed each recommendation. During discussions and prior to voting, Ben Gasman expressed a conflict with being a Member of the Committee and with voting on the recommendations. He requested that he be allowed to resign as a Member but remain on the Task Force in the role of consultant. The Task Force did not entertain Ben Gasman's request to resign being that he was an appointed Member and counselled him to abstain from voting. The recommendations were dealt with as follows:

Recommendation 1

*Motion:*

Councillor Bernie Di Vona moved that Recommendation 1 be approved, as follows:

WHEREAS the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) has allocated tree replacement funding, based on the inventory of trees that have been cut as part of the ALHB eradication program, to be allocated based on property ownership and costs.

WHEREAS every effort may be made to encourage private landowners to replant with the native, non-host species.

AND WHEREAS it is likely that some of the allocated funding will not be applied for.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT The Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force recommend that the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada be requested to make the remaining funds available to the affected municipalities for plantings on public lands to ensure that there is no loss of tree cover and that Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) provide a status of the up-take on the replanting program in the fall of 2004, spring 2005, and fall 2005 (and spring and fall 2006 should Recommendation 5 be approved).

*Votes:*

The motion by Councillor Di Vona carried.

Ben Gasman abstained from voting on the above noted motion expressing a conflict.

**Recommendation 2**

***Motion:***

Councillor Di Vona moved that Recommendation 2 be approved, as follows:

WHEREAS the funding that has been allocated by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) does not cover replacement plantings for certain Rights of Way, Utility corridors, and woodlands that are not parks.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Asian Long-Horned Beetle Intergovernmental Task Force recommend that Management Board Secretariat direct the Ontario Realty Corporation to replace the lost cover in provincial lands in consultation with Ministry of Natural Resources, Ministry of Transportation, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, York Region, City of Vaughan, and City of Toronto.

***Votes:***

The motion by Councillor Di Vona carried.

Ben Gasman abstained from voting on the above noted motion expressing a conflict.

**Recommendation 3**

***Motion:***

Councillor Di Vona moved that Recommendation 3 be approved, as follows:

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THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) be requested to identify the number of trees removed from these ROWs.

AND THAT CN/CP be requested to contribute financial or in-kind resources to replant areas within their ROWs where trees can be left to grow to maturity and/or to establish a urban forest with this funding within the regulated areas in consultation with the Ministry of Natural Resources, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, York Region, City of Vaughan, and City of Toronto.

***Votes:***

The motion by Councillor Di Vona carried.

Ben Gasman abstained from voting on the above noted motion expressing a conflict.

Recommendation 4

*MOTION:*

Councillor Di Vona moved that Recommendation 4 be approved, as follows:

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*Votes:*

The motion by Councillor Di Vona carried.

Ben Gasman abstained from voting on the above noted motion expressing a conflict.

Recommendation 5

*MOTION:*

Councillor Di Vona moved that Recommendation 5 be approved, as follows:

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AND WHEREAS time is required for the nursery industry to provide suitable species, at appropriate sizes, to ensure diversity in the plantings and for municipalities to prepare contracts for city trees.

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*Votes:*

The motion by Councillor Di Vona carried.

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**Recommendation 6**

**MOTION:**

Councillor Di Vona moved that Recommendation 6 be approved, as follows:

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THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the inventories be released so that all agencies can have a better understanding of the replacement requirements.

**Votes:**

The motion by Councillor Di Vona carried.

Ben Gasman abstained from voting on the above noted motion expressing a conflict.

**Recommendation 7**

**MOTION:**

Councillor Di Vona moved that Recommendation 7 be approved, as follows:

WHEREAS tree planting funds provided by the Ministry of Natural Resources of approximately \$500,000 should be allocated first to the replacement of natural heritage values.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the technical working group from the City of Toronto, City of Vaughan, York Region, and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority be directed to prepare a map of locations that would be suitable for the replacement of natural heritage feature values that have been lost within the regulated area.

**Votes:**

The motion by Councillor Di Vona carried.

Ben Gasman abstained from voting on the above noted motion expressing a conflict.

**Bulk Purchase of Trees**

Dick O'Brien inquired whether the inter-agency group had examined the possibility of coordinating the bulk purchase of trees for private landowners to purchase. This would enable residents to buy trees at a lower price resulting in more trees being purchased and planted.

**Recommendation 8**

**Motion:**



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Dick O'Brien moved the following:

That the inter-agency group comprised of representatives from the City of Toronto, City of Vaughan, York Region, and TRCA be directed to investigate the feasibility of coordinating the bulk purchase of trees for purchase by private landowners.

*Votes:*

The motion by Dick O'Brien carried.

Ben Gasman abstained from voting on the above noted motion expressing a conflict.

ii. CFIA Update & Compensation

Ben Gasman distributed a binder containing copies of all publications, notices, and literature generated by the CFIA regarding the Asian Long-Horned Beetle. Ben Gasman advised that all efforts related to the issue of the control and eradication of the Asian Long-Horned Beetle have been the collaborative efforts of staff from all the agencies involved.

Beth McEwen advised that the City of Toronto, with assistance from MNR, is currently in the process of creating an information booklet that will be provided to the community. The booklet will contain the logos of all the affected parties. The package will be sent to residents in several weeks.

Tracy Smith suggested that information regarding the ALHB be communicated to moose and deer hunters through the issuance of their hunting tags.

Ben Gasman advised that there is no specified time given to officially declare the regulated areas clear of the ALHB since eradication of the pest is an on-going process. Suzan Hall asked that the CFIA examine the possibility of clearing satellite areas early.

iii. Next Stage of Scientific Research

Ben Gasman advised that the CFIA continues to survey non-host trees in the regulated area for research purposes. Maple trees on private properties are also being tagged and surveyed.

The CFIA is looking at getting approval to use a certain type of pesticide to combat the beetle. The pesticide is currently being tested on TRCA property. The pesticide will be injected into different trees and monitored to determine how it is assimilated by each different species.

Wood from affected trees has been sent to the lab for study and examination of the DNA.

Infested trees have been cut and ground into chips and dust that can be re-used. (Movement of chips and dust from the regulated area requires a certificate.)

iv. Tree Replacement Package to Residents

a) Alternative Replacements

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b) Timing of Replacements

Refer to 3.i.

4. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on September 20, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. at Black Creek Pioneer Village, 1000 Murray Ross Parkway.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.