

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2007

Item 1, Report No. 39, of the Committee of the Whole (Working Session), which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 24, 2007.

**1 GREEN DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS AND
GREEN ROOFS PRESENTATION**

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Planning, dated September 11, 2007, be approved; and
- 2) That staff provide a report to a Committee of the Whole (Working Session) meeting on alternatives to traditional lawns.

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning, in consultation with the Director of Policy Planning, recommends:

1. THAT the presentation by Ms. Jane Welsh, Acting Project Manager - Environment, of the City of Toronto Policy & Research Department, City Planning, on Green Roofs, be received.

Economic Impact

There is no economic impact to the City of Vaughan resulting from this presentation.

Communications Plan

No communications plan is required at this time.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is introduce the sustainable communities concept of "Green Roofs" to Council and to share the experience of the City of Toronto in this area.

Background - Analysis and Options

Last year, City of Toronto Council approved its "Green Development Standard". It lays out a set of performance targets and guidelines to promote environmentally sustainable site and building design in Toronto. It also established the Green Roofs strategy, which involves encouraging green roofs through an incentive program and installation on city facilities.

The City of Toronto recently won the FCM award for sustainable communities for its work on green roofs.

In keeping with Vaughan Council's interest in learning about and applying workable approaches and elements of sustainable communities in the City of Vaughan, Ms. Jane Welsh from the City of Toronto Planning Department has agreed to present Toronto's green roofs experience and standards to Council. The presentation will address why the City of Toronto took the approach it did, how it was done (consultation process), what constitutes the "Green Development Standard" and Green Roofs Strategy, and how the approach is being implemented.

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Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council (V V A5 - Plan & Manage Growth). No resources are required nor need be allocated in the 2008 Budget.

Regional Implications

None

Conclusion

This presentation is provided for the information of Council.

Attachments

None

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Item 2, Report No. 39, of the Committee of the Whole (Working Session), which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 24, 2007.

**2 PUBLIC HEARING NOTIFICATION WITH RESPECT TO
PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:

- 1) That staff provide a report to a Committee of the Whole (Working Session) meeting in December 2007, on options and solutions for public consultation guidelines, taking into consideration comments from Members of Council;**
- 2) That the wording of the signs erected on lands affected by a planning application, and the notices in the media, be simplified; and**
- 3) That the memorandum from the City Clerk, dated September 11, 2007, be received.**

Council, at its meeting of June 12, 2006, adopted the following:

That this matter be referred to a future Committee of the Whole (Working Session).

Committee of the Whole recommendation of May 24, 2006

That the Clerk's Department poll Vaughan's comparator municipalities to see whether the Public Hearing notification circulation for planning matters is extended beyond the 120m radius of the subject lands under consideration.

Attachments

Memorandum from the City Clerk, dated June 9, 2006]

(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)

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Item 3, Report No. 39, of the Committee of the Whole (Working Session), which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 24, 2007.

3 NEW BUSINESS - COMMUNICATION PLAN ON INTERNAL AUDIT PROCESS

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends that staff develop a communication plan to report on the internal audit process that has taken place.

The foregoing matter was brought to the attention of the Committee by Councillor Meffe.