

Memorandum

WMPSC-C 6-2024

Subject: Councillor Information Requests

Date: August 27, 2024

To: Waste Management Planning Steering Committee

From: Catherine Habermebl, Director, Waste Management Services

This memorandum is intended to provide Committee members with an update on the outstanding Councillor Requests from previous meetings.

Waste Management Planning Steering Committee

No outstanding items at this time.

Public Works Committee

Meeting Date: June 11, 2024 Closed Session

Minute Item #1.1: Councillor Bateman requested the circulation of the letter distributed by Chair Bradley respecting Producer Responsibility

Follow-up Action: The letter was distributed on July 19, 2024 through the Council Weekly Correspondence Distribution (CWCD 2024-124).

Status: Complete

Minute Item #1.1: Councillor Witteveen requested the number of Municipalities that have chosen to provide recycling collection to non-eligible sources.

Follow-up Action: The information was provided on July 19, 2024 through the Council Weekly Correspondence Distribution (CWCD 2024-124).

Status: Complete

Meeting Date: January 11, 2022

Minute Item #5.2: Councillor Heit requested information respecting the Regional Public Works Commissioners of Ontario Committee strategic plan regarding waste management information sharing between municipalities.

Follow-up Action: The Regional Public Works Commissioner of Ontario Committee strategic plan will be presented to Niagara Region's Public Works Committee once finalized.

Status: In Progress

Budget Review Committee of the Whole

No outstanding waste management related items at this time.

Committee of the Whole

No outstanding waste management related items at this time.

Council

No outstanding waste management related items at this time.

Completed Items

Waste Management Planning Steering Committee

Meeting Date: December 11, 2023

Minute Item #3.1: Councillor Morocco requested information about including a sticker with the promotional materials that indicates organic items that can be discarded in green bins.

Status: Complete

Minute Item #3.2: Councillor Morocco requested information about costs associated with illegal dumping.

Status: Complete

Meeting Date: October 23, 2023

Minute Item #7.2: Committee requested information about the cost of implementing a mandatory organics collection program for high-rise apartment complexes.

Follow-up Action: This information is included in WMPSC-C 7-2024 Organic Collection for Multi-Residential Properties, which was presented to Waste Management Planning Steering Committee on April 29, 2024.

Status: Complete

Meeting Date: October 23, 2023

Minute Item #7.1: Councillor Rigby requested an update on utilizing alternative technology from waste.

Status: Complete

Public Works Committee

Meeting Date: September 12, 2023

Minute Item #9.1:

Committee requested the following information respecting Recycling Collection from Non-Eligible Sources under Blue Box Regulation (O. Reg 391/21):

- Provide options for the recycling collection program within the next six (6) months
- Provide information on a communication plan for the upcoming changes and implementation guidelines in order to inform the public respecting changes to the recycling collection program.
- Request the Regional Chair send a letter to the Premier of Ontario, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, and Local Members of Provincial Parliament, expressing concerns with the changes to the recycling collection program.
- Provide information on how other provinces are managing Blue Box EPR programs and how businesses are managed within these regulations.
- Determine how many non-eligible sources are using private recycling collection services and if the private sector had capacity to manage the non-eligible sources going forward.

Follow-up Action: Memo CWCD 2023-170 - Blue Box Transition Communication Strategy Update was sent to Regional Councillors on Friday September 17, 2023, through Weekly Correspondence.

Status: Complete

Respectfully submitted and signed by

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