

**THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

**PWC 11-2019
Tuesday, November 5, 2019
Council Chamber
Niagara Region Headquarters, Campbell West
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON**

Committee: Bradley (Regional Chair), Disero, Edgar (Committee Vice-Chair), Fertich, Foster, Gale, Heit, Insinna, Ip , Junkin, Nicholson, Rigby (Committee Chair), Sendzik, Steele, Ugulini, Witteveen, Zalepa

Absent/Regrets: Chiocchio, Diodati

Staff: D. Ane, Program Manager, Financial Support, H. Chamberlain, Director, Financial Management & Planning/Deputy Treasurer, M. Evely, Legislative Coordinator, D. Gibbs, Director, Legal & Court Services, C. Habermehl, Director, Waste Management Services, L. McGovern, Program Manager, Collection and Diversion, B. McMahon, Program Financial Specialist, S. Mota, Program Financial Specialist, M. Robinson, Director, GO Implementation Office, C. Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, R. Salewytsch, Program Manager, Transit Services, S. Tait, Manager, Waste Collection and Diversion, J. Tonellato, Director, Water & Wastewater Services, M. Trennum, Deputy Regional Clerk, R. Tripp, Commissioner, Public Works/Acting Chief Administrative Officer, S. Wood, Legal Counsel

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Rigby called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

2. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

3. **PRESENTATIONS**

3.1 **Curbside Waste Diversion Container Distribution Options for Every-Other-Week Garbage Collection**

Lucy McGovern, Program Manager, Collection and Diversion, provided information respecting Curbside Waste Diversion Container Distribution Options for Every-Other-Week Garbage Collection. Topics of the presentation included:

- Background
- Container Distribution Options
- Current Container Distribution Program
- Analysis of Seven Distribution Options
 1. Free, One-Time, Door-to-Door, Delivery to only those Housholds without Waste Diversion Containers'
 2. Free, One-Time, Door-to-Door Delivery of Curbside Waste Diversion Containers to All 155,000 LDR Households
 - 3A. One-time Trailer Distribution and On-going Provision and Delivery of Free Waste Diversion Containers
 - 3B. One-time Trailer Distribution and Maintain Existing Container Distribution Program
 4. Maintain Existing Distribution Program and Provide 50% Subsidy for Containers, for Six (6) Months Only
 5. Maintain Existing Distribution Program and Provide 50% Subsidy for Containers, for Twelve (12) Months Only
 6. Maintain Existing Distribution Program and Provide No Subsidy for Containers (Status Quo)

Moved by Councillor Sendzik
Seconded by Councillor Ugulini

1. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to pursue options four and five, providing a 50% subsidy on selling price for containers, as the preferred options for curbside waste diversion container distribution for every-other-week garbage collection; and
2. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to report to the Public Works Committee with additional information respecting Niagara Region providing a 50% subsidy on selling price for waste diversion containers, including potential partnerships with the local area municipalities to reduce the cost of implementing curbside waste diversion container distribution.

Carried

Councillor Information Request(s):

Provide information respecting the number of waste containers distributed to residents from May 2018 to November 2019. Councillor Insinna.

4. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations.

5. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

5.1 PW 64-2019

Vision Zero Road Safety Program

Carolyn Ryall, Director, Transportation Services, provided information respecting Vision Zero Road Safety Program. Topics of the presentation included:

- Niagara Regional Transit Master Plan
- Vision Zero Overview
- Community Safety Zones
- Automated Speed Enforcement
- Red Light Cameras

Moved by Councillor Nicholson
Seconded by Councillor Insinna

That Report PW 64-2019, dated November 5, 2019, respecting Vision Zero Road Safety Program, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Regional Staff **BE AUTHORIZED** to implement initiatives under the Vision Zero Road Safety Program; including Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE), Red Light Cameras (RLCs), and Community Safety Zones; subject to successful negotiations with the LAMs with respect to the Niagara Region Courts Intermunicipal Agreement;
2. That Regional Staff **BE AUTHORIZED** to initiate discussions with the Local Area Municipalities (LAMs) and amend the Niagara Region Courts Intermunicipal Agreement related to the Vision Zero Road Safety Program; and **BE DIRECTED** to report to Council on the outcome of those discussions; and
3. That the Vision Zero Road Safety Program **BE REFERRED** for consideration as part of the 2020 Budget Process.

Carried

Councillor Information Request(s):

Provide information respecting the costs associated with red light cameras and automated speed enforcement technologies. Councillor Gale.

5.2 PW 60-2019

On-Demand Transit - Pilot Authorization (Simulation Results)

Rob Salewytch, Program Manager, Transit Services, provided information respecting On-Demand Transit - Pilot Authorization (Simulation Results). Topics of the presentation included:

- Background
- Fixed Route versus On-Demand
- Why Use VIA?
 - VIA's Global Presence
 - Reports and Shared Data
- Niagara Feasibility Study
 - Overview of Simulations
 - Inter-Municipal Scenarios

Moved by Councillor Ugolini

Seconded by Councillor Zalepa

That Report PW 60-2019, dated November 5, 2019, respecting On-Demand Transit - Pilot Authorization (Simulation Results), **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

1. That Regional Council **APPROVE** the on-demand transit concept for Niagara Regional Transit (NRT) service expansion pilots outlined in Report PW 60-2019, subject to 2020 budget approval;
2. That the Chief Administrative Officer **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute an Agreement with Via Mobility LLC., for the deployment of turnkey, on-demand transit service pilots such that the Agreement meets the approval of the Commissioner of Corporate Services, and subject to 2020 budget approval;
3. That all pilot periods **BE DEFINED** in the Agreement as one (1) year with an option to extend for a period of up to an additional 12 months at the discretion of the Chief Administrative Officer;
4. That pending approval of recommendations 1, 2 and 3, that staff **BE DIRECTED** to engage with the local municipalities to confirm partnership and service parameters of the pilot services; and
5. That this report **BE CIRCULATED** to area municipalities.

Carried

5.3 PW 66-2019

Citizen Appointments to Humberstone Landfill Site Public Liaison Committee and Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site Citizen's Liaison Committee

Moved by Councillor Witteveen
Seconded by Councillor Nicholson

That Report PW 66-2019, dated November 5, 2019, respecting Citizen Appointments to Humberstone Landfill Site Public Liaison Committee and Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site Citizen's Liaison Committee, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendation **BE APPROVED**:

1. That the recommendations contained in Confidential Appendix I to Report PW 66-2019, **BE APPROVED**, confirming the citizen appointments for the remainder of this term of Council to the Humberstone Landfill Site Public Liaison Committee and the Niagara Road 12 Landfill Site Citizen's Liaison Committee.

Carried

6. **CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

There were no consent items for information.

7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

7.1 Traffic Assessment on Regional Road 37 (Merritt Road)

Councillor Ugulini requested staff initiate a traffic assessment on Regional Road 37 (Merritt Road) between Kottmeier Road and Regional Road 50 (Merrittville Highway).

7.2 Ministry of Transportation Construction

Councillor Ugulini advised Committee members that staff from the City of Thorold and the Region will be meeting with representatives from the Ministry of Transportation to discuss planned detour routes due to construction on Regional Road 20 (Lundy's Lane) and Regional Road 58 (Thorold Stone Road) to limit impacts on traffic in those areas.

8. CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Councillor Witteveen
Seconded by Councillor Steele

That this Committee **DO NOW MOVE** into Closed Session for the purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature respecting:

A Matter of Commercial and Financial Information, supplied in confidence to the municipality, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization - Financial Information Supporting Waste Management Collection Contract Procurement Process – Presentation.

Carried

Committee resolved into closed session at 12:01 p.m.

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Committee reconvened in open session at 12:18 p.m. with the following individuals in attendance:

Committee: Edgar (Committee Vice-Chair), Fertich, Foster, Gale, Insinna, Ip, Junkin, Nicholson, Rigby (Committee Chair), Steele, Ugulini, Witteveen, Zalepa

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10. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Regional Headquarters.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

Councillor Rigby
Committee Chair

Mark Evely
Legislative Coordinator

Ann-Marie Norio
Regional Clerk