Minute Item No. 3.1 Lake Ontario Express Inc.

That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to send a letter to the City of Toronto requesting a meeting with Mayor John Tory to express support of a dedicated dock in the Inner Harbour to support the Lake Ontario Express project; and

That staff **PROVIDE** an update on the project as it moves forward including coordination with Metrolinx and Niagara Regional Transit.

Minute Item No. 5.1 PDS 7-2020 Cannabis Workshop Summary

That Report PDS 7-2020, dated March 11, 2020, respecting Cannabis Workshop Summary, **BE RECEIVED** and the following recommendations **BE APPROVED**:

- 1. That Regional Council **ENDORSE** the letter to Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (attached as Appendix 2 of Report PDS 7-2020);
- 2. That staff **CIRCULATE** this letter to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Ministry of Health, Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all local Members of Parliament (MPs); and
- 3. That staff **CIRCULATE** a copy of Report PDS 7-2020 to the Local Area Municipalities.

Minute Item No. 6.1 PDS 4-2020 Development Applications Monitoring Report – 2019 Year End

That Report PDS 4-2020, dated March 11, 2020, respecting Development Applications Monitoring Report - 2019 Year End, **BE RECEIVED** and **BE CIRCULATED** to Local Area Municipalities, the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, Niagara Home Builders Association, Niagara Industrial Association, local Chambers of Commerce and School Boards.

Minute Item No. 6.2 PDS 5-2020 Development Applications Monitoring Report – 2019 Year End

That Report PDS 5-2020, dated March 11, 2020, respecting Niagara Region 2019 Employment Inventory Results, **BE RECEIVED** and **BE CIRCULATED** to the Local Area Municipalities, Local Economic Development Offices, Niagara Workforce Planning Board and the Niagara Chambers of Commerce.

Minute Item No. 6.3 PDS 9-2020 Niagara Official Plan – Consultation Details and Revised Framework

That Report PDS 9-2020, dated March 11, 2020, respecting Niagara Official Plan -Consultation Details & Revised Framework, **BE RECEIVED** and **BE CIRCULATED** to the Local Area Municipalities.

Minute Item No. 6.4 PDS 8-2020 Overview of Regional Involvement in Port Colborne Quarry Proposal

That Report PDS 8-2020, dated March 11, 2020, respecting Overview of Regional Involvement in Port Colborne Quarry Proposal, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Minute Item No. 6.5 PDS 10-2020 Niagara Falls GO Station Area Zoning Update

That Report PDS 10-2020, dated March 11, 2020, respecting Niagara Falls GO Station Area Zoning Update, **BE RECEIVED** for information.

Minute Item No. 6.6 PDS 11-2020 Background of Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake New Adopted Official Plan

That Report PDS 11-2020, dated March 11, 2020, respecting Background of Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake New Adopted Official Plan, **BE RECEIVED** and **BE CIRCULATED** to the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, prescribed agencies and interested parties.

Minute Item 7.2 Economic Development Memorandum of Understanding

- 1. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to gather feedback from the local area municipalities and the local economic development officers to explore:
 - a. what is currently working well with the current model;
 - b. where there is room for improvement;
 - c. what resources may be needed to make the economic development relationship more effective and of greater impact in Niagara;

- 2. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to prepare a report summarizing their findings and develop a new draft Memorandum of Understanding for consideration by Niagara's twelve municipalities; and
- 3. That this report **BE PROVIDED** at the September Planning and Economic Development Committee meeting for discussion.