



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Environmental Advisory Committee

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

7:00 PM

Sir Robert Barrie Room

For consideration at the Community Services Committee on October 4, 2017

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, P. Bursztyn at 7:05 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 4 - Chairman P. Bursztyn
Councillor M. McCann
A. McNair
W. Wilson

Absent: 3 - S. Bollinger
G. Poisson
C. Reynolds

STAFF:

Committee Support Clerk, T. McArthur
Deputy City Clerk, W. Cooke
Manager of Energy Management, B. Thompson.

The Environmental Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

COMBINED HEAT AND POWER SYSTEMS

Alan McNair provided background information concerning combined heat and power systems. He advised that there are provisions for these types of systems contained within the Official Plan. Mr. McNair noted that the use of these systems would be a great opportunity for the new business developments in the annexed lands.

Barry Thompson, Manager of Energy Management advised that in 2018, the City will be issuing a Request for Expressed Interest (REOI) to establish an interest for combined heat and power systems in future development projects within the City.

Councillor McCann advised that he would set-up a meeting with City staff to discuss the possibility of encouraging outside companies to establish combined heat and power systems in the City and will provide an update at the next Committee Meeting.

CORNERSTONE STANDARDS COUNCIL (CSC) - STANDARDS FOR RESPONSIBLE AGGREGATES

The Committee discussed the Cornerstone Standards Council (CSC) and the standards for responsible aggregates.

The Environmental Advisory Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "B"

Recommended:

CORNERSTONE STANDARDS COUNCIL (CSC) - STANDARDS FOR RESPONSIBLE AGGREGATES

WHEREAS the Cornerstone Standards Council (CSC), a group composed of aggregate operators, environmentalists, community representatives, First Nations, and consultants has developed an agreed Standard for responsible aggregate extractions;

AND WHEREAS the City of Barrie and its Environmental Advisory Committee supports in general the goals and objectives of the CSC concerning standards for responsible aggregates;

AND WHEREAS aggregate extraction is often harmful to the environment, particularly groundwater;

AND WHEREAS a local quarry within the Township of Oro-Medonte is CSC Certified;

AND WHEREAS Section 2.8 of the City of Barrie Procurement By-law 2016-035 encourages the procurement of goods, services and construction with due regard to the preservation of the natural environment and the promotion of human rights and fair labour practices;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the CSC System encouraging local producers to pursue certification under the CSC, be supported.
2. That staff investigate the feasibility of procurement policies to include preferred purchases of CSC Certified aggregates.
3. That staff identify new municipal projects where the CSC have a positive impact including conservation projects and any projects being built to LEED specifications.
4. That a letter be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all local municipalities to encourage municipalities to learn about and support the CSC objectives for responsible aggregates.

This matter was recommended to the Community Services Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 10/04/2017.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

CHAIRMAN