

AGENDA

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MISSISSAUGA www.mississauga.ca

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012 – 9 A.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBER SECOND FLOOR, CIVIC CENTRE

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CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

DECLARATIONS OF DIRECT (OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST

PRESENTATIONS/DEPUTATIONS

(A) Idle Free Program in Peel – DADA and Peel Region Collaboration

Item 2 Steve Rieck and Mike Jones from Dads Against Dirty Air will speak with respect to the Idle Free Program in Peel.

(B) Natural Heritage and Urban Forest Strategy

Olav Sibille, Planner, and Mirek Sharp, Consultant from North-South Environmental, will speak with respect to the Natural Heritage and Urban Forest Strategy.

(C) Sustainable Neighbourhood Retrofit Action Plan

Muneef Ahmad, Water Resources Engineer, will speak with respect to the Sustainable Neighbourhood Retrofit Action Plan (SNAP).

(D) Living Green Master Plan

Mary Bracken, Project Lead, Living Green Master Plan, will provide an update with respect to the Plan (LGMP).

(E) Tree Permit By-law

Jane Darragh, Planner, will provide an update with respect to the results of the public consultation process and proposed amendments to the Tree Permit By-law.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED

1. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held October 2, 2012.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

2. Background Circular - DADA (Dads Against Dirty Air)

RECOMMEND RECEIPT

3. Environmental Advisory Committee 2012 Off-Site Meeting Options

Memorandum, dated October 19, 2012, from Brenda Osborne, Director, Environmental Division, with respect to a proposed off-site meeting to establish potential projects that the Environmental Advisory Committee could take a lead role in developing.

DIRECTION REQUIRED

4. Verbal Update from the Director, Environmental Division, Community Services

Brenda Osborne, Director, Environmental Division, will provide a verbal update with respect to the Let Your Green Show Campaign.

5. Upcoming Agenda Items and Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) Role

Chart from Environment staff with respect to upcoming agenda items and Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) role.

RECOMMEND RECEIPT

6. Status of Outstanding Issues from the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC)

Chart dated November 6, 2012 from Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator, Environmental Advisory Committee, with respect to the status of outstanding issues from the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC).

RECOMMEND RECEIPT

7. 2013 Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Dates

Memorandum, dated October 22, 2012, from Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator, with respect to the scheduled meeting dates for the Environmental Advisory Committee for the year 2013.

RECOMMEND RECEIPT

INFORMATION ITEMS

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Tuesday, December 11, 2012 at 9 a.m., Council Chamber

PLEASE NOTE: Councillor Carlson is hosting a breakfast for Committee Members and staff at 8:00 AM. Please meet Karen Morden in the Council Chamber to be escorted to the Caucus Room on the 3rd floor.

OTHER BUSINESS

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>



Environmental Advisory Committee

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MINUTES

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Councillor Jim Tovey, Ward 1
Councillor Frank Dale, Ward 4
Dr. Brad Bass, Citizen Member
Stephanie Crocker, EcoSource

Elaine Hanson, Sheridan College, Office for Sustainability

Rahul Mehta, EcoSource

Val Ohori, Citizen Member (arrival at 9:04 a.m.)

Peter Orphanos, Citizen Member (departure at 9:59 a.m.)

Maureen Ricker, Citizen Member

Diana Yoon, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance (arrival at 9:06 a.m.)

MEMBERS AGENCY LIAISONS

ABSENT:

Hassaan Basit, Citizen Member

Lucas Krist, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance

Lea Ann Mallett, EcoSource

Lucia Salvati, University of Toronto at Mississauga

STAFF/OTHERS PRESENT:

Councillor Bonnie Crombie, Ward 5

Mary Bracken, Environmental Specialist

Mark Howard, Project Lead, Credit River Parks Strategy

Andrea J. McLeod, Environmental Specialist Brenda Osborne, Manager, Environment

Diana Rusnov, Manager of Legislative Services and Deputy Clerk

Karen Spencer, Advisor, City Strategy and Innovations, City

Manager's Office

Lisa Urbani, Environmental Research Assistant

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NOTE: The Committee changed the order of the Agenda during the meeting.

These Minutes reflect the order of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER - 9:03 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved (F. Dale)

DECLARATIONS OF DIRECT (OR INDIRECT) PECUNIARY INTEREST - Nil

PRESENTATIONS/DEPUTATIONS

A. Peter Orphanos, Chair, Sierra Club Canada, Peel Region Group, and Environmental Advisory Committee Citizen Member, with respect to Credit Forever.

Mr. Orphanos presented a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Credit Forever" and discussed Credit Forever and its funding, target groups, community involvement, four layers of prominent protection and plans for 500,000 new trees for the Credit River area, the Credit River Ecosystem, the Credit River forests, the Culham Trail, the Credit River overall, the Kraft mill in Streetsville, and the Inspiration Lakeview Project.

Ms. Ohori arrived at 9:04 a.m. and Ms. Yoon arrived at 9:06 a.m.

Ms. Hanson suggested that academic institutions be added to the community involvement slide, stating that Sheridan College would be pleased to work on this matter.

Later in the meeting (refer to page 2), the Committee further discussed and revised its recommendation regarding Item A (the revised recommendation is included below).

Recommendation

EAC-0046-2012

- 1. That the PowerPoint presentation entitled "Credit Forever" by Peter Orphanos, Chair, Sierra Club Canada, Peel Region Group, and Environmental Advisory Committee Citizen Member, to the Environmental Advisory Committee on October 2, 2012 be received; and
- 2. That the Environmental Advisory Committee supports in principle the Credit Forever vision presented by Peter Orphanos, Chair, Sierra Club Canada, Peel Region Group, and Environmental Advisory Committee Citizen Member, to the Committee on October 2, 2012 and that this matter be referred to staff for further review and consideration, as appropriate, through the City of Mississauga's Credit River Parks Strategy.

Received/Referred (P. Orphanos)

B. Item 2 Karen Spencer, Advisor, City Strategy and Innovations, City Manager's Office, with respect to the City Committees of Council Structure Review.

Ms. Spencer discussed the background, goals, and timelines of the Review. She said that 23 Committees are being reviewed, that she was working closely with the Office of the City Clerk, that all facets of Committee operations would be reviewed (e.g., budgets, subcommittees, terms of reference, etc), and that the Review was expected to take 6-8 months and would report to the Governance Committee with its recommendations. She added that public input was being done by canvassing current Committee Members via an online survey and encouraged Committee Members to share their comments and ideas. Ms. Spencer said that she and Ms. Rusnov would observe today's meeting for context.

The Committee dealt with Item 2 at this time.

2. <u>City Committees of Council Structure Review</u>

Overview from Karen Spencer, Advisor, City Strategy and Innovations, City Manager's Office, with respect to the City Committees of Council Structure Review.

The Chair thanked Ms. Spencer for her deputation and encouraged Committee members to complete the online survey that will be sent to them shortly and to share their feedback.

Recommendation

EAC-0047-2012

That the overview from Karen Spencer, Advisor, City Strategy and Innovations, City Manager's Office, entitled "City Committees of Council Structure Review," be received.

Received (P. Orphanos)

A. Peter Orphanos, Chair, Sierra Club Canada, Peel Region Group, and Environmental Advisory Committee Citizen Member, with respect to Credit Forever.

At this point, Mr. Orphanos requested that the recommendation regarding Item A be revised (refer to page I for the revised recommendation) and discussed Credit Forever and the need to protect the Credit River now and into the future. Committee members discussed Mr. Orphanos's deputation and the recommendation regarding the latter.

Mr. Howard discussed Item A and emphasized the importance of distinguishing between Mr. Orphanos's Credit Forever deputation and the City's Credit River Parks Strategy, as the latter is an initiative by the City that has been ongoing for eighteen months.

Mr. Orphanos discussed an event at the Streetsville fish ladders on April 7th to celebrate the Credit River and noted that prominent and community individuals would be present.

C. Item 3 Rahul Mehta, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance (PEYA) Facilitator, EcoSource, Stephanie Crocker, Associate Director, EcoSource, and Elaine Hanson, Sheridan College, Office for Sustainability, and Environmental Advisory Committee Member, with respect to the 10th Annual EcoBuzz Conference for secondary school students in the Peel Region at the Sheridan Hazel McCallion Campus on October 24, 2012.

Mr. Mehta, Ms. Crocker, and Ms. Hanson presented a PowerPoint presentation dated October 2, 2012 and entitled "10th Annual EcoBuzz Conference!" and discussed PEYA, EcoSource, and Sheridan College and their respective sustainability initiatives, the Conference's background, theme, history, logo, purpose, features, and value to the City.

The Committee dealt with Item 3 at this time.

3. PEYA EcoBuzz 2012 Backgrounder

Overview from Rahul Mehta, PEYA Facilitator, EcoSource, with respect to the PEYA EcoBuzz 2012 Backgrounder.

The Chair suggested that the Committee be invited to the Conference, given its close proximity to the Civic Centre and its overall educational value for Committee members.

Committee members discussed the importance of EcoSource's various environmental initiatives, the possibility of holding a future EcoBuzz Conference at the Riverwood Conservancy, the possibility of Mr. Mehta, Ms. Crocker, and Ms. Hanson making a deputation to Council to advise them of this event, the possibility of focusing on energy capture and cogeneration initiatives during a future EcoBuzz Conference, and whether the organizers will share post-conference feedback from attendees with the larger community.

Mr. Mehta and Ms. Crocker responded to the Committee's above-mentioned questions and comments and encouraged Committee members to attend the Conference, if possible.

Recommendation

EAC-0048-2012

- 1. That the PowerPoint presentation, dated October 2, 2012 and entitled "10th Annual EcoBuzz Conference," by Stephanie Crocker, Associate Director, EcoSource, Rahul Mehta, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance (PEYA) Facilitator, EcoSource, and Elaine Hanson, Sheridan College, Office for Sustainability, and Environmental Advisory Committee Member, to the Environmental Advisory Committee on October 2, 2012 be received; and
- 2. That the overview from Rahul Mehta, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance (PEYA) Facilitator, EcoSource, entitled "PEYA EcoBuzz 2012 Backgrounder," be received.

Received (V. Ohori)

D. Jessie MacAlpine, five-time Canada-Wide Science Fair Alumnus, and Founder and President, Oxford County Science and Technology Fair, with respect to using garlic mustard and used coffee grounds as a natural herbicide.

Ms. MacAlpine, a Grade 12 student in Woodstock, Ontario, presented a PowerPoint

presentation entitled "Callelo: A Novel Bioherbicide" and discussed her research on the use of garlic mustard and used coffee grounds as a natural and environmentally-friendly herbicide. She noted that, despite of the use of herbicides, 30 percent of the world's food supply is destroyed by insects, weeds, rodents, and disease each year, discussed the many drawbacks of herbicide use, and added that she plans to obtain a patent for her research. Ms. MacAlpine stated that she had obtained a research position at the University of Adelaide in Australia next summer and that she plans to study biochemistry in university.

Mr. Orphanos departed at 9:59 a.m.

Committee members discussed Ms. MacAlpine's research, the effects of callelo on fertilizer, the possibility and advantages of using callelo as fertilizer, whether callelo contains phosphorous, the possibility of using callelo for lawns and ornamental and residential gardens, the benefits of using an invasive species (garlic mustard) as a natural herbicide, the advantages and disadvantages of corn gluten as a natural herbicide, and the possibility of donating garlic mustard to Ms. MacAlpine for her research purposes.

Ms. MacAlpine responded to the Committee's above-mentioned questions and comments. The Chair thanked Ms. MacAlpine for her deputation and congratulated her on her research and asked her to keep the Committee apprised about her future pursuits.

Recommendation

EAC-0049-2012

That the PowerPoint presentation entitled "Callelo: A Novel Bioherbicide" by Jessie MacAlpine, five-time Canada-Wide Science Fair Alumnus, and Founder and President, Oxford County Science and Technology Fair, to the Environmental Advisory Committee on October 2, 2012 be received.

Received (Dr. B. Bass)

MATTERS CONSIDERED

1. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held September 4, 2012.

Approved (J. Tovey)

4. Revised Council Support Resolution for Rooftop Solar Applications Under the Provincial Feed-in Tariff (FIT) Program

Memorandum dated September 20, 2012 from Mary Bracken, Environmental Specialist, Environmental Management Section, Community Services Department, with respect to revised Council support resolution for rooftop solar applications under the provincial Feed-in Tariff (FIT) program.

Ms. Bracken gave an overview of her Memorandum and explained that the Council supported Resolution adopted on July 4, 2012 was being revised due to new FIT 2.0 program requirements released by the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) in August 2012. She noted that Council considered this matter at its meeting on September 26, 2012.

Committee members discussed the original and revised Resolutions and the importance of staff regularly liaising with the OPA and Ministry of Energy staff on this matter and requested clarification on whether this Resolution was only for rooftop solar installations. Ms. Bracken responded to the Committee's above-mentioned questions and comments.

Recommendation

EAC-0050-2012

That the Memorandum dated September 20, 2012 from Mary Bracken, Environmental Specialist, Environmental Management Section, Community Services Department, entitled "Revised Council Support Resolution for Rooftop Solar Applications Under the Provincial Feed-in Tariff (FIT) Program" be received.

Received (E. Hanson)

5. Upcoming Agenda Items and Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) Role

Chart from Environment staff with respect to upcoming agenda items and Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) role.

Recommendation

EAC-0051-2012

That the chart from Environment staff with respect to upcoming agenda items and Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) role be received.

Received (F. Dale)

6. Status of Outstanding Issues from the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC)

Chart dated October 2, 2012 from Julie Lavertu, Legislative Coordinator, Environmental Advisory Committee, with respect to the status of outstanding issues from the Environmental Advisory Committee.

Ms. Osborne gave an update on Let Your Green Show and said that Ward 1 is leading for Mississauga's Greenest Ward, but that other wards are close behind and that the Greenest Ward Award would be chosen in late October. Dr. Bass noted that he redeemed his green back at a farmers' market, but that the farmer was unaware of Let Your Green Show.

Dr. Bass requested an update regarding the Committee's off-site meeting in October 2012. Ms. Osborne said that she had discussed this matter with the Chair and that it was determined that this meeting should be set aside until there was an opportunity for the Committee to host an outreach event, like they did with the Living Green Master Plan (LGMP), that would engage the public, but added that she was open to any suggestions.

The Chair stated that it would be useful for the Committee to sponsor or organize a long-term outreach or stewardship event/issue and partner with various groups such as Credit Valley Conservation, the University of Toronto at Mississauga, and the City's other Committees. He also welcomed any feedback on this matter from Committee members.

Committee members discussed the value of organizing a collaborative outreach or stewardship event/issue/project with various stakeholders and/or the City's other Committees to ensure a consistent message, the possibility of focusing on one of the City's upcoming challenges in the next decade in any Committee-driven event/issue/project, the importance of connecting any event/issue/project with the LGMP, the types of groups and community partners that could be approached to partner with the Committee, and the kinds of issues that could be examined and pursued in-depth by the Committee.

In response to a question from the Chair, Ms. Spencer discussed the City Committees of Council Structure Review and the need to examine the overlap, collaboration, and mandates of Committees. She said that there needs to be more communication between Committees and that there may be a need to merge or retire existing Committees and/or add new Committees based on the Review.

The Chair discussed the value of an off-site meeting for the Committee and asked that staff prepare a short agenda that would provide focus and ideas about how the Committee could assume a leadership role and pursue a tangible event/issue/project in the near future. Ms. Osborne said that she would prepare a Memorandum regarding an off-site meeting for consideration at the next Committee meeting in November 2012.

Recommendation

EAC-0052-2012

- 1. That the chart dated October 2, 2012 from Julie Lavertu, Legislative Coordinator, Environmental Advisory Committee, with respect to the status of outstanding issues from the Environmental Advisory Committee be received; and
- 2 That the matter of organizing a future off-site educational or training session for the Environmental Advisory Committee be referred to Environment staff for further review and consideration at a future Environmental Advisory Committee meeting.

Received/Referred (Dr. B. Bass)

INFORMATION ITEMS - Nil

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Tuesday, November 6, 2012 at 9 a.m., Council Chamber

OTHER BUSINESS - Nil

ADJOURNMENT – 10:30 a.m. (M. DeWit)

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DADA (Dads Against Dirty Air) applauds The City of Mississauga for their existing Idling Control By-Law 194-09. In general terms we find the By-Law to be a strong one and would particularly like to commend The City of Mississauga for the lack of temperature allowances for the general public (excepting when medically necessary and only while carrying documentation certified by a medical doctor in writing.) We believe that the City of Mississauga has a wonderful opportunity to lead the change the By-Law is trying to enforce by showing it is possible to be idle-free and that the city cares. We all have to admit we are all part of the problem. Therefore the City of Mississauga needs to lead by example and needs to focus priority on getting City trucks and fleets to show the public it can be done and thereby saving the planet, air quality and potentially \$1 million in gas savings to taxpayers.

DADA is a registered charity and a community-led organization that is promoting the message to Peel residents to BE IDLE-FREE FOR THE KIDS. Our goal and purpose is to engage with parents and school bus drivers to facilitate a safe and healthy habit of turning off their engines on school property and in their communities, for the health and safety of their children and as a common courtesy to their neighbours and bystanders.

We recognize that schools have limited time, resources and money to be able to put together a campaign of this nature; therefore we have taken it upon ourselves to develop a system making it as easy as possible. Our main program is offering an idle free "campaign in a box" to schools which contains all the banners, signs, pledge cards and other material needed to promote an effective idle free school campaign. With this kit a school can start an effective outreach and marketing campaign to promote this message. We recommend running a campaign for at least a month since it takes 21 days to form a new habit. At the end of the month, we would like to see the kits packed up and sent to another school in the system so they can promote the message as well. These kits will leapfrog throughout the system in this manner, with pledge cards and signage being replenished as required.

As you know, most schools have had problems with lineups of school buses idling in front of the school at the end of the day. The World Health Organization has confirmed that diesel exhaust is a known carcinogen and is especially dangerous for kids to breathe; therefore one of our focuses is to ensure that all school buses shut down their engines whenever on school property.

Ideally we would like to see more children walk or bike to school, and we are closely aligned with the active and safe Routes to school program to help them promote that message. We also wish to have not just better enforcement of the local anti-idling by-law but wish to achieve a Provincial offence as this would ensure a consistency of regulation and also allow for broader enforcement.

We have had great success in Peel region this year and here is a sampling of some of the media coverage:

Here is a link to the Global TV story filmed at David Suzuki school http://www.globaltoronto.com/video/high+school+launches+antiidling+campaign/video.html?v=22758 74607&p=1&s=dd#family+health



Mississauga did three stories...

http://www.mississauga.com/news/article/1496800--anti-idling-program-aims-to-clean-up-the-air

http://www.mississauga.com/news/article/1496146--dada-knows-best-when-it-comes-to-clean-air

http://www.mississauga.com/community/article/880138--cut-engines-curb-pollution

Brampton Guardian did one too.

http://www.bramptonguardian.com/community/education/article/1497172--idling-cars-the-devil-s-school-playground

Here is a sampling of some of the materials that DADA has created and offers to schools.

https://docs.google.com/file/d/0BzS9OESw4bkpNndnaXRSSGFiOWs/edit

This is an important issue that affects us all while being so easy to control. We have the unique opportunity to work together to get this message out to the public, media and staff through many channels and hope you see this as an exciting opportunity to help make the City of Mississauga a cleaner, safer and healthier place to live while protecting our children and our family's health, as well as, the environment.

With the above in mind we would like to make the following recommendations to the City of Mississauga through you the Environmental Advisory Committee:

- 1. Strengthening of the By-Law to shorten the time limit to one Minute. There is precedence for this time in Burlington and Cambridge to name but two
 - PART III GENERAL PROHIBITION
 - 4. No Person shall cause, allow or permit a Vehicle to Idle continuously for more then [sic] 3 minutes.
- 2. Refresh By-Law Enforcement Officer Training materials to strengthen enforcement.
 - We have anecdotal evidence of Enforcement Officers Idling and claiming that there is no By-law once confronted about their behaviour.
- 3. Request a Staff report into the feasibility of shortening the definition of "Stopover" to 1 minute and altering the definition so that the Vehicle must have passengers on board at the time to qualify for the exemption. We feel that this change will become increasingly relevant as the Mississauga Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system becomes fully operational.
 - Currently "Stopover" means a scheduled delay of a maximum of five (5) minutes at a Transit Vehicle terminal to allow Transit Vehicles to adjust to service Schedules"..



- 4. Have a proactive enforcement and education blitz focused upon schools during drop-off and pickup times for a 5 day period 3 time a year:
 - September
 - January
 - April
- Create a mandated regular duty for Enforcement Officers to check schools for infractions during the daily Drop-off and Pick-up times (under the assumption that the Enforcement Officer is not otherwise engaged.)
- 6. There is also the need to advertise the By-Law to the public. This could be achieved through the inclusion of messages in Property Tax and Water Bills, as well as, Bus Shelter ads and the like. Utilizing the City of Mississauga's Media Relations Department to bring attention to the idling By-law, debunking myths and showcasing what the city is doing about it.
- 7. City of Mississauga should write the Province Of Ontario requesting a Provincial Idling Offence.

Memorandum



Environmental Advisory Committee

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TO:

Environmental Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: November 6, 2012

FROM:

Brenda E. Osborne, Director, Environment Division, Community Services

Department

DATE:

October 19, 2012

SUBJECT:

Environmental Advisory Committee 2012 Off-Site Meeting Options

At the October 2, 2012 Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) meeting, the Committee expressed interest in having a fall off-site meeting to establish a large project(s) that EAC could take a leadership role in developing over the next few years.

Following EAC's request, staff researched a number of potential dates, venues, projects and facilitators for the proposed off-site meeting and offers the following list of potential options for the Committee's consideration and direction at its November 6, 2012 meeting.

Date:

Saturday morning – Either November 17th, November 24th or December 1st, 2012.

Time:

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (noon)

Potential Location:

- Cultural venue (To be confirmed)
- Sheridan College Hazel McCallion Campus (Availability to be confirmed)
- Central Library, Glass Pavilion (Available December 1st and December 8th)
- Central Library, 3rd Floor Boardroom (Available November 17th and December 1st)
- Lakefront Promenade Marina (Availability to be confirmed)

Other locations considered but confirmed either unavailable or unsuitable include the Garry W. Morden Centre, BraeBen Golf Course, Cawthra Estate, Chappell Estate and the Leslie Log Cabin.

Potential Facilitator:

Karyn Stock-MacDonald, Business and Innovation Coach, City of Mississauga

Potential Agenda:

9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. - Breakfast and Networking

9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. - Facilitated Session / Presentation

10:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. - Break

10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. – Facilitated Session / Break-out Groups (To identify scope and preliminary details of top one or two projects for EAC leadership)

11:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. (Noon) – Wrap-up

Potential Projects:

Public Art

Through the Public Art Program, the Culture Division, Community Services Department, aims to contribute to the unique identity of Mississauga and its various destinations: the historic villages, the Lake Ontario waterfront, the Credit River Valley and Downtown. Public art helps to create vibrant public spaces and streetscapes, making the city a place people want to live in, work in and visit. Public art is a site-specific work of art in public space that is created by an artist. It can be in any media, temporary, permanent, or integrated within architecture or infrastructure. EAC could contribute to the siting of a new environmentally relevant piece of public art in Mississauga.

"Earth Markets"

"Earth Markets" are envisioned as mobile events that can feature environmental demonstrations, workshops, innovative technologies, produce markets, cultural exhibits, community and local youth projects, and City Living Green initiatives. They could range in size from as small as an event held in a school gymnasium to as large as a farmers' market extraordinaire. The key is that they move from location to location across the city featuring "local" interests and community. EAC could help better define "Earth Markets" including goals, objectives and key components.

Environmental Community Grant Program

A matching community environmental grant program, directed by EAC, could offer grants of \$500 to \$10,000 to local groups for community-driven, innovative environmental initiatives that contribute to environmental sustainability. This program could be a significant tool for fostering behaviour change and delivering programs and services at the community level. EAC could identify funding criteria and examples of eligible types of projects.

Student Research Projects

EAC could identify environmental challenges facing Mississauga and build a research project around one of the challenges for local students.

Greening Events

Local City and community events vary in terms of the level of "greening" incorporated in the event and associated infrastructure. This is a challenging issue due to the large number of events, event organizers and venues, and the range in associated resources. EAC could develop "Event Greening" guidelines for City and community events hosted in Mississauga.

Other

EAC members are encouraged to identify other projects for consideration.

Staff requests direction, in terms of preferred date, venue, facilitator and topics for further discussion, so that necessary meeting details can be confirmed in time to host an EAC off-site meeting in 2012.

Brenda E. Osborne

Director, Environment

Community Services Department

Upcoming Agenda Items and Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) Role

Legend: Potentia	l Role for EAC	
Comments (Provide feedback for consideration.)	Leadership (Participate in event or lead external group participation.)	
Community Engagement (Champion LGMP awareness campaign, promote Living Green blog, etc.)	Receive (For information.)	
Direction (Provide direction to staff.)	Recommendation (To General Committee.)	
Deputation (Present to General Committee, Council, other.)	Sub-committee (To further develop or research initiative.)	

Year Quarter	Item	Description	Potential EAC Role
2012 Q4	Corporate and Community Greenhouse Gas (GHG) and Criteria Air Contaminant (CAC) Inventories	Updated GHG and CAC inventories' results will be presented and used to benchmark and prioritize future efforts to reduce local sources of emissions.	Recommendation
	Stormwater Quality Control Strategy Update	Update of the City's strategy for managing and improving the quality of stormwater runoff.	Recommendation
	Corporate Environmental Principles Policy Update	An update is planned to better align the policy with environmental principles in the Strategic Plan and LGMP.	Receive
	Let Your Green Show	Announcing Phase 1 results.	Receive
2013 Q1	Let Your Green Show – Phase 2	Announcing Phase 2.	Receive
	Living Green Master Plan (LGMP) Update	Annual progress report.	Receive
	Air Quality	An update on how to improve air quality.	Receive

Other Anticipated Items			
Item	Description		
Nuisance Weed and Tall Grass	The City's Nuisance Weed and Tall Grass Control By-law is		
Control By-law	scheduled to be revised as per the LGMP.		
Green Development Strategy (GDS)	An update on GDS implementation.		
Waste Management	An update on various waste-related initiatives.		
Drive-Throughs	An update on drive-throughs.		
Idling Update	An update on idling in Mississauga.		
Home Wood Stoves	A report back subsequent to the April 2012 EAC meeting where		
Home wood stoves	home wood stoves were discussed.		
Transportation Strategy	Finalized version of interim strategy.		
	Update to EAC subsequent to a deputation entitled "Smoke-Free		
Smoke-Free Outdoor Spaces	Outdoor Spaces Policy Options" at the Committee's November 9,		
	2010 meeting.		
Lake Ontario Integrated Shoreline	Update on potential position for an EAC representative on a LOISS		
Strategy (LOISS)	advisory committee.		
Quest 2013	Ontario Caucus Conference.		
	The new Provincial Green Energy Act (2009) requires municipalities		
Corporate Energy Conservation	to provide corporate energy conservation plans for all municipally		
Plans	owned and operated buildings and to report annually on actual		
	performance against plans.		

STATUS OF OUTSTANDING ISSUES FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (EAC) Prepared by Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator, for the November 6, 2012 EAC Agenda

EAC MEETING FIRST DISCUSSED	ISSUE	EAC RECOMMENDATION/DIRECTION	STATUS
Feb/12	Transportation Strategy Presentation	Michael DeWit, Vice-Chair, indicated that a presentation on the transportation strategy would be beneficial to the Committee.	May 1/12 EAC Meeting Update: Ms. Osborne added that she did not have a specific timeline for the transportation strategy at this time.
Apr/12	Smoke from Home Wood Stoves	EAC-0018-2012 That the Memorandum dated March 13, 2012 from Mayor Hazel McCallion with respect to smoke from home wood stoves be received and referred to Environmental Management staff for further review and preparation of a draft by-law, in consultation with Legal staff, and a Corporate Report on short- and long-term policy options (including addressing the improper use of home wood stoves and regulation by the provincial government) for home wood stoves for consideration at a future Environmental Advisory Committee meeting.	May 1/12 EAC Meeting Update: Ms. Osborne noted that staff is working with Legal staff on the smoke from home wood stoves issue and that this matter was being targeted for the Committee's September or October 2012 meetings.
Apr/12	Oakville-Clarkson Air Quality Advisory Committee Terms of Reference	Ms. Osborne provided a verbal update with respect to the Oakville-Clarkson Air Quality Advisory Committee Terms of Reference. She said that the Advisory Committee has been formed to examine air quality in the Oakville-Clarkson area, that a smaller Subcommittee drafted the Terms of Reference, and that the Terms of Reference would be shared with the Committee once they had been approved by the Advisory Committee.	May 1/12 EAC Meeting Update: Ms. Osborne noted that that she hoped to have an update on the Oakville-Clarkson Air Quality Advisory Committee Terms of Reference at the Committee's June 2012 meeting. June 5/12 EAC Meeting Update: Ms. Osborne said that staff did not receive the Oakville-Clarkson Air Zone Management Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference in time for the Committee's agenda, that a Corporate Report regarding this matter would be considered by General Committee on June 13, 2012, and that she was requesting that Council appoint her to the Advisory Committee. Councillor Tovey suggested that the Committee pass a recommendation supporting her appointment.

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May/12	Committee's Off-Site Meeting in October 2012	Ms. Osborne said that the Committee could establish a Subcommittee to plan the Committee's off-site meeting in October 2012. The Chair suggested that Ms. Osborne meet with him to discuss potential options for the off-site meeting and that this matter be returned to the Committee's June or September 2012 meetings.	June 5/12 EAC Meeting Update: Committee members discussed the Committee's off-site meeting and the purpose, topics, and various possible venues for the meeting. Ms. Osborne sa that Environment staff would continue t work on this matter and had not chosen venue. She noted that Mr. Basit and Dr. Bass had suggested educational workshops for social media tools and innovative technologies and that Environment staff could pursue a combination of the potential topics. In response to a question from Ms. Ohori, Ms. Osborne discussed the purpose of this meeting and explained that it would occur for a half-day on a Saturday in October 2012. October 2/12 EAC Meeting Update: The Chair discussed the value of ar off-site meeting for the Committee and asked that staff prepare a shor agenda that would provide focus and ideas about how the Committee could assume a leadership role and pursue a tangible event/issue/project in the near future. Ms. Osborne said that she would prepare a Memorandum regarding an off-site meeting for consideration at the next Committee meeting in November 2012.

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Sept/12 Potential Ban of Plastic Shopping Bags in Mississauga	 EAC-0039-2012 That the Corporate Report dated July 26, 2012 from the Commissioner of Community Services, entitled "Potential Ban of Plastic Shopping Bags in Mississauga," be received; and That the Environmental Advisory Committee recommends that the potential ban of plastic shopping bags in Mississauga be referred to the Region of Peel's Waste Management Committee for further research and recommendations to the Region of Peel's Regional Council and the City of Mississauga's Council. 		

Memorandum



Environmental Advisory Committee

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TO:

Chair and Members, Environmental Advisory Committee

FROM:

Karen Morden, Legislative Coordinator, Environmental Advisory Committee

DATE:

Monday, October 22, 2012

SUBJECT:

2013 Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Dates

This Memorandum is to advise that the following Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) meeting dates have been scheduled for 2013:

- Tuesday, January 8
- Tuesday, February 5
- Tuesday, March 5
- Tuesday, April 2
- Tuesday, May 7
- Tuesday, June 4
- Tuesday, September 3
- Tuesday, October 1
- Tuesday, November 5
- Tuesday, December 10

All meetings will be held at 9 a.m. in the Council Chamber located on the 2nd floor of the Mississauga Civic Centre, 300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1.

Please kindly contact me in advance of meetings if you will be absent or late so that quorum issues can be anticipated and dealt with accordingly.

In closing, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely.

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