

MINUTES

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2010 - 9:07 AM

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 2ND FLOOR, CIVIC CENTRE 300 CITY CENTRE DRIVE, MISSISSAUGA, ONTARIO L5B 3C1

PRESENT: Councillor George Carlson, Ward 11 (Chair)

Councillor Carolyn Parrish, Ward 6

Michael DeWit, Citizen Member (Vice-Chair)

Hassaan Basit, Citizen Member

Sophia Chalaidopoulos, Citizen Member

Kelly Cook, Citizen Member Peter Orphanos, Citizen Member

Dr. Brad Bass, Geography Dept., University of Toronto in Mississauga

Darius Chia, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance (PEYA)

Simone Hacikyan, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance (PEYA)

Brenda Osborne, Manager, Environmental Management

Andrea J. McLeod, Environmental Coordinator Lisa Urbani, Environmental Research Assistant

Mary Bracken, Environmental Planner, Policy Planning Division Karin Ann Brent, Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk

ABSENT: Councillor Carmen Corbasson, Ward 1

GUESTS: Gary Nickerson & Rohit Mehta re: Peel's Planet Day Event

Marijana Josifovska, President of Investors Beyond Borders

Jordan Boyé, Director, Corporate Relations of Investors Beyond Borders Melissa Agius, "My Mississauga" Manager, Communications Division

Corporate Services Department

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OTHER BUSINESS

1. Corporate Knights News Release

NEXT MEETING DATE(s)

March 2, 2010

ADJOURNMENT

CALL TO ORDER – 9:07am

INTRODUCTIONS

Kelly Cook, new Citizen Member, was introduced.

DECLARATIONS OF DIRECT OR INDIRECT PECUNIARY INTEREST - Nil

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Memorandum related to Item #1.1 was acknowledged.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(s)

- January 12, 2010

Adopted as Presented

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DEPUTATIONS

A Peel's Planet Day

Resident <u>Gary Nickerson</u> introduced <u>Rohit Mehta</u>, founder and coordinator of the student based "Volunteering Peel" organization, who gave a PowerPoint presentation and explained the proposed Peel's Planet Day event for litter and graffiti clean up at various locations throughout the City.

Received for Information Recommendation EAC-0004-2010 PR.01

B International Renewable Energy Case Competition - Investors Beyond Borders

Jordan Boyé, Director of Corporate Relations advised that he is a student at the University of Toronto in Mississauga (UTM) and explained the subject international project for which they are seeking funding support. Mr. Boye introduced Marijana Josifovska, President of Investors Beyond Borders, a third year student at UTM. Ms. Josifovska advised that their project involves working with other university students from China, Brazil, Britain and America to research the green technology sector and prospect how investment in an emerging nation can make a difference.

Subsequently, Citizen Member Peter Orphanos moved receipt of the subject deputation and endorsement of the principle of the proposed International Renewable Energy Case Competition. The motion carried.

Received for Information Recommendation EAC-0005-2010 PR.01

MATTERS CONSIDERED

1. <u>Business Arising From Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)</u>

1. <u>Update re: 'Growing the Greenbelt'</u>

Citizen Member Peter Orphanos has requested that staff update Committee further to the deputation received by the Environmental Advisory Committee at its meeting on November 30, 2009. A Memorandum dated February 1, 2010 from Director of Policy Planning John Calvert of the Planning and Building Department regarding the 'Growing the Greenbelt' initiative was distributed at the meeting. Environmental Planner Mary Bracken explained the process involved with monitoring the Green Belt Plan and the need to resource the related studies.

Subsequently, Citizen Member Hassaan Basit moved receipt of the subject Memorandum from the Director of Policy Planning, with request that funding to resource the study to examine the feasibility of Mississauga participating with the provincial 'Growing the Greenbelt' initiative be considered within the 2011 budget discussions, and that the Environmental Advisory Committee be consulted during formulation of the terms of reference for that study.

Received / Directive Recommendation EAC-0006-2010 EC.11.GRE

2. New Business

1. Earth Hour 2010 Event and Campaign

A Memorandum dated January 27, 2010 from Brenda Osborne, Manager of Environment, Environmental Management section, Community Services Department, outlining the plans for the City of Mississauga's participation with Earth Hour 2010, was considered.

Manager of Environmental Management Brenda Osborne reviewed the plans for this year's Earth Hour event proposed for 7:30pm to 9:30pm on Saturday March 27, 2010 in the Great Hall of the Civic Centre. Discussion included suggestions to invite environmental groups to do displays at this event, and to coordinate a car-free hour for future Earth Hour events. The need to set a goal for energy savings that can be comparable to other municipalities to use in media to set a tone of competition, and future outreach and education as a means to encourage the populace to consciously practice energy saving measures. Subsequently, committee concurred to refer this matter back to staff for additional information and a recommended target for the energy savings to be achieved by the 2010 event, to be reported back to the Environmental Advisory Committee at its meeting scheduled for March 2, 2010.

Referred Back to Staff for Additional Information Recommendation EAC-0007-2010 PR.04.Earth Hour

(2.) 2. <u>Trashfusion Design Contest and Green Expo (Ward 8)</u>

A Memorandum dated February 2, 2010 from Brenda Osborne, Manager of Environment, Environmental Management section, Community Services Department, regarding the proposed Trashfusion Design Contest and Green Expo event scheduled to be held at the Sheridan Centre Mall on May 1, 2010 was considered.

Manager of Environmental Management Brenda Osborne advised that City staff that participate on the inter-departmental Environmental Network Team has reviewed the proposed event and are planning to participate at the noted event with information displays.

Recommendation:

That the Environmental Advisory Committee support the City's promotion of the Trashfusion Design Contest and Green Expo, occurring on May 1, 2010 and also supports the City's participation as an exhibitor at the Green Expo.

Citizen Member Sophia Chalaidopolous moved approval of the recommendation presented in the subject Memorandum. The motion carried.

<u>Approved</u>

Recommendation EAC-0008-2010 PR 04

3. <u>Information Items</u>

1. Copy of an article dated January 6, 2010 published in the Climate Action newsletter regarding sustainable packaging and the need for regulations.

Received for Information

MG.31.Information Items

OTHER BUSINESS

1. <u>Corporate Knights News Release Expected</u>

Manager of Environmental Management Brenda Osborne advised that she will relay a News Release anticipated to be issued by the Corporate Knights PR.01

NEXT MEETING DATE(s)

Committee concurred with the next meeting date scheduled for March 2, 2010

ADJOURNMENT – 10:31am

REPORT 2-2010

TO: GENERAL COMMITTEE

The Mississauga Environmental Advisory Committee presents its second report of 2010, and recommends:

EAC-0004-2010

That the Environmental Advisory Committee's 2010 receipt of the deputation at its meeting on February 2, 2010, regarding their proposed volunteer event for litter pick up and graffiti clean up, titled Peel's Planet Day and scheduled for May 22 and 23, 2010, presented by resident Gary Nickerson and Rohit Mehta, founder and coordinator of the student based "Volunteering Peel" organization, be acknowledged.

PR.01

(EAC-0004-2010)

EAC-0005-2010

That the Environmental Advisory Committee's 2010 receipt of the deputation at its meeting on February 2, 2010 and its endorsement of the principle of the proposed International Renewable Energy Case Competition - Investors Beyond Borders project presented by Jordan Boyé, Director, Corporate Relations and Marijana Josifovska, President of Investors Beyond Borders, be acknowledged.

PR.01

(EAC-0005-2010)

EAC-0006-2010

That, further to Recommendation EAC-0040-2009, and as set out in the Memorandum dated February 1, 2010 from Director of Policy Planning John Calvert of the Planning and Building Department, funding to resource the study to examine the feasibility of Mississauga participating with the provincial 'Growing the Greenbelt' initiative be considered within the 2011 budget discussions, and that the Environmental Advisory Committee be consulted during formulation of the terms of reference for that study.

EC.11.GRE

(EAC-0006-2010)

EAC-0007-2010

That, further to consideration of the plans for the City of Mississauga's participation with Earth Hour 2010 set out in the Memorandum dated January 27, 2010 from Manager of Environment, Brenda Osborne of the Environmental Management section of the Community Services Department, this matter be referred back to staff for additional information to be reported back to the Environmental Advisory Committee at its meeting scheduled for March 2, 2010.

PR.04.Earth Hour

(EAC-0007-2010)

EAC-0008-2010

That the Environmental Advisory Committee's support of the City's promotion and participation as an exhibitor at the proposed Trashfusion Design Contest and Green Expo event scheduled to held at the Sheridan Centre Mall on May 1, 2010, as set out in the Memorandum dated February 2, 2010 from Manager of Environment Brenda Osborne of the Environmental Management section of the Community Services Department, be acknowledged. PR.04

(EAC-0008-2010)