

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

AGENDA C.O.T.W. 1- 2009

Thursday, January 29, 2009
10:00 a.m., Council Chambers
Regional Headquarters
2201 St. David's Road
Thorold, Ontario

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Regional Chair Peter Partington

2. **PRESENTATION**

NIAGARA 2031 – OPTION 'D'

Ron Shishido, Dillon Consulting

NIAGARA GATEWAY ECONOMIC ZONE AND CENTRE

John Gladki, GHK International Inc.

Reference Material:

Final Report	Niagara Gateway Economic Zone and Centre
DPD 54 -2008	Niagara 2031 – Adoption of a Preferred Growth Option for Niagara and A Strategy for the Gateway Economic Zone and Centre

3. **DELEGATIONS**

Bernie Hermsen, MCIP, RPP, MHBC Planning Limited and Tom Smart, BLS Planning Associates Inc. on behalf of the Township of West Lincoln
(Refer to Information Item ICP-C 14-2009)

Cathy Sterling on behalf of the Smithville Downtown Neighbourhood Association

John Ariens, MCIP, RPP, Principle – Planning, IBI Group
(Refer to Information Item ICP-C 5-2009)

Greg Hynde, Director of Planning, Hynde, Paul Associates Inc. on behalf of Mr. Hendler and Mr. Alma

Glenn Wellings, Wellings Planning Consultants Inc. on behalf of the Northwest Landowners Group (Niagara Falls)
(Refer to Information Item PD 24-2008)

Dennis Savriga

Mike Connolly on behalf of the Northwest Quadrant

Joe Maggiolo on behalf of Club Italia

Peter Lowe on behalf of Redeemer Bible Church

Tom Richardson, Sullivan Mahoney LLP on behalf of Warren DAC Investments Limited.

Jean Grandoni
(Refer to Information Item ICP-C 12-2009)

Dr. John Bacher on behalf of Preservation of Agricultural Lands Society (PALS)
(Refer to Information Item ICP-C 2-2009)

Peter Smith, Bousfields Inc. on behalf of Hospitality Resorts Inc.
(Refer to Information Item PD 21-2008)

Ed Lustig, Broderick & Partners LLP on behalf of Hospitality Resorts Inc.

Alex Herlovitch, Director, Planning & Development, City of Niagara Falls on behalf of the City of Niagara Falls
(Refer to Information Item PD 20-2008 and ICP-C 15-2009)

Stephen Cook, President, Board of Directors and Walter Sendzik, Executive Vice President and General Manager, St. Catharines – Thorold Chamber of Commerce

Keith Vogl, MCIP, RPP, Director of Planning, Town of Grimsby on behalf of the Town of Grimsby

Don Alexander a resident of the City of St. Catharines

Mark Brickell, Vice President, Smart Growth and Partnerships, Niagara Economic Development Corporation

P. Leigh Whyte, Principal/Chief Urban Planner, Avalon Consulting Professionals of Ontario, LLC on behalf of Ashton Homes
(Refer to Information Item ICP-C 8-2009)

Stephen Kaiser, Kaiser & Associates Inc. and Randy Grimes, Director, IBI Group on behalf of the Niagara Home Builders' Association
(Refer to Information Items PD 22-2008, ICP-C 7-2009 and ICP-C 9-2009)

Patrick Robson, Commissioner, Integrated Community Planning
(Refer to Information Item ICP-C 13-2009)

4. INFORMATION (To be Received)

- PD 20-2008 Letter from Alex Herlovitch, Planning Director for the City of Niagara Falls, regarding Option D of the Niagara 2031 Growth Management Study and the accompanying report from Dillon Consulting, requesting deferral of this matter until the full report of the consultants has been submitted.
- PD 21-2008 Letter from Bousfields Inc., planning consultants for Hospitality Resorts Inc., with comments on Niagara 2031, Option D: Preferred Growth Option and how it relates to its proposed "Mont Rose At Niagara Winery/Golf/Villas.
- PD 22-2008 Letter from IBI Group, on behalf of the Niagara Home Builders' Association, with comments on Option D: Preferred Growth Option prepared by the Region's GMS consultant team.
- PD 24-2008 Correspondence (dated December 5, 2008) from Mr. Glenn J. Wellings, MCIP, RPP Wellings Planning Consultants Inc to Co-Chairs and member of the Planning and Public Works Committee re: Niagara 2031 (DPD 54-2008)
- PWC 41-2008 Correspondence (dated October 28, 2008) from Jim Watson, MPP, Minister to Regional Chair Partington respecting Quality of Life improvement for all Ontarians, promoting managed growth, sustainable development, a strong economy and a healthy environment across the province.
- PWC 51-2008 Letter from the Township of West Lincoln (dated November 11, 2008) to Regional Chair Partington respecting Township of West Lincoln – Report PD-133-08 dated November 10, 2008 relating to "Niagara 2031, Preferred Option D" as released on October 23, 2008
- ICP-C 2-2009 A brief from the Preservation of Agricultural Lands Society respecting the Growth Management Plan – December 22, 2008.
- ICP-C 3-2009 An e-mail from Pat Cusack a resident of the City of Port Colborne (January 18, 2009) commenting on Niagara 2031.
- ICP-C 4-2009 A letter from the Betty Konc, President, Wainfleet Ratepayers Associations (January 20, 2009) commenting on Option 'D' of the Growth Management Strategy.

- ICP-C 5-2009 John Ariens, Associate, IBI Group Presentation.
- ICP-C 6-2009 A letter from Mayor D'Angela, City of Thorold (January 16, 2009) respecting the resolution passed by the City of Thorold's Council regarding the Gateway Economic Zone and Centre, Niagara 2031: Strategy for a Healthy, Sustainable Future.
- ICP-C 7-2009 A letter from Randy Grimes, Director, IBI Group (October 21, 2008) respecting the Region of Niagara Growth Management Study.
- ICP-C 8-2009 A letter from P. Leigh Whyte, Principal/Chief Urban Planner, Avalon Consulting Professionals of Ontario, LLC (January 20, 2009) respecting their presentation on behalf of their client, Ashton Homes.
- ICP-C 9-2009 Stephen Kaiser, Kaiser & Associates Inc. and Randy Grimes, Director, IBI Group Presentation.
- ICP-C 10-2009 A letter from Joe McMaster (January 20, 2009) expressing his concerns regarding the request to expand the urban boundary in the area of Kalar Road and Mountain Road in the City of Niagara Falls and requesting that the Committee not approve the expansion of the current urban boundary for the City of Niagara Falls as requested in relation to the Mont Rose Development.
- ICP-C 11-2009 An excerpt from the November 12, 2008 Smarter Niagara Steering Committee minutes unanimously endorsing Niagara 2031, Option 'D'.
- ICP-C 12-2009 A letter from Jean Grandoni (January 23, 2009) respecting background information related to the proposed urban boundary expansion in Northwest Niagara Falls.
- ICP-C 13-2009 Memorandum from Patrick Robson, Commissioner, Integrated Community Planning (January 16, 2009) respecting the Discussion with Provincial Officials as Relates to Niagara 2031.
- ICP-C 14-2009 A letter from Brian Treble, Director, Planning and Building, Township of West Lincoln (January 22, 2009) respecting Niagara 2031, Option D – Regional Preferred Growth Option Report.

ICP-C 15-2009

City of Niagara Falls Report PD-2009-08 (January 26, 2009) respecting the City's Growth Management Strategy: Growth Alternatives and Recommendations Report and Niagara 2031 – Regional Niagara's Growth Management Strategy: Preferred Growth Option and Gateway Economic Zone and Centre Vision.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

Pam Gilroy
Regional Clerk