

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
INTEGRATED COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

REPORT 11-2010

Minutes of a meeting of the Integrated Community Planning Committee held in Council Chambers, Regional Municipal Building, Thorold, Ontario, on Wednesday, September 15, 2010 commencing at 1:25 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Committee: Councillors Smeaton, Chair; Casselman; D'Angela; Gabriel, Vice Chair; Goulbourne; Henderson; Marshall; Partington; Rigby; Salci; Timms; Trombetta.

Staff: Messrs. Trojan, Chief Administrative Officer; Robson, Commissioner Integrated Community Planning; Weaver, Director, Community & Corporate Planning; Bain, Regional Clerk; Ms. McManus, Legislative Assistant.

Other: Messrs. Gummo, Associate Director, Regional Policy Planning; Forgeron, Manager of Policy Alignment; Colosimo, Director, Development Services; Ms. Tanner, Manager of Policy Development; Ms. Britnell, Municipal Intern under the Ontario Municipal Internship Program; Ms. Sutton, Brock University; Ms. Morin, Community Economic Development Manager, Venture Niagara / Enterprise Niagara; Mr. Farfell, Executive Director, Niagara Falls Tourism.

Quorum

There being a lack of ordinary quorum at the meeting, the Committee Chair determined that the ordinary quorum for the meeting be reduced to seven members, pursuant to Section 22.10 of the Procedural By-law 96-2007.

PRESENTATIONS

176. **Niagara Sports Commission – Pan-Am Games**

Mr. Scott McRoberts, Director of the Niagara Sport Commission, provided Committee members with information respecting Niagara Sports Commission – Pan-Am Games.

Moved by Councillor Salci
Seconded by Councillor Goulbourne

That Mr. Scott McRoberts Presentation respecting the Niagara Sports Commission – Pan-Am Games, be received;

That Regional Council request that the Niagara Economic Development Corporation (NEDC) advance \$10,000.00 to the Niagara Sports Commission, from the existing line item in the NEDC budget, for the purposes of marketing and strategy planning for the Pan/Para Pan American Games; and

That Regional Council consider the addition of a \$75,000 to 100,000 line item in the Region's 2011 Operating Budget for the Niagara Sports Commission in support of the Pan/Para Pan American Games.

Carried.

(A copy of Mr. Scott McRoberts Presentation can be found attached to these minutes)

OTHER BUSINESS

177. Niagara to GTA Corridor

Regional Chair Partington voiced concern with respect to the Draft Area Transportation System Alternatives Report, set to be finalized in December 2010, as the Report suggests further studies need to be completed.

Following discussion, it was:

Moved by Regional Chair Partington
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That Staff provide a report on the impacts (transportation, economic, social and environment) that further delay of the Niagara to GTA Corridor will have on Niagara; and

That this Report be considered at the Integrated Community Planning Committee meeting October 6, 2010.

Carried.

178. Sustainable Niagara – Community Consultations – Results

Kirk Weaver, Director of Community & Corporate Planning for the Integrated Community Planning Department, provided Committee members with information respecting Sustainable Niagara – Community Consultations – Results.

Moved by Councillor
Seconded by Councillor

That Mr. Weaver's Presentation respecting Sustainable Niagara – Community Consultations - Results, be received for information.

Carried.

(A copy of Mr. Weaver's Presentation can be found attached to these minutes)

179. Moved by Councillor Casselman
Seconded by Regional Chair Partington

That Report ICP 61-2010, September 15, 2010 respecting Sustainable Niagara Plan Community Consultations - Results, be brought forward and dealt with at this time.

Carried.

Quorum was achieved at this point in the meeting.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

180. Sustainable Niagara Plan
Community Consultations – Results
ICP 61-2010

Moved by Councillor Timms
Seconded by Councillor Gabriel

That Report ICP 61-2010, September 15, 2010 respecting Sustainable Niagara Plan Community Consultations - Results, be received ***as amended***;

That Regional Council endorse the eight goals and vision for the community set out in the Sustainable Niagara Plan (Appendix II) and use them as a guide to inform the key strategic objectives for upcoming Business Planning and other longer range planning initiatives;

That Regional Council support the continuation of broad based community engagement model, ***including opportunities to engage municipally elected representatives***, in establishing long-range community action plans in support of these goals (and continuity in relation to many of the existing action plans that support the goals);

That Council endorse, in principle, the next steps outlined in Appendix I and direct staff to incorporate these into a 2011 work program to be presented to Regional Council;

That this report be circulated to Niagara's Area Municipalities, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, Niagara Regional Housing, Niagara Regional Police Service, Niagara Economic Development Corporation and other stakeholders as identified.

Carried.

181. Implementing *Niagara 2031 Memorandum of Understanding*
Local and Regional Partnerships
Township of Wainfleet
Recreation Master Plan

ICP 60-2010

Moved by Councillor Henderson
Seconded by Councillor D'Angela

That Report ICP 60-2010, September 15, 2010 respecting Implementing *Niagara 2031 Memorandum of Understanding*, Local and Regional Partnerships, Township of Wainfleet, Recreation Master Plan, be received;

That the development of a Recreational Master Plan for the Township of Wainfleet be supported, and that staff participation on a project steering committee and matching funding at the level of \$25,000 be approved to enable the implementation of *Niagara 2031* and the *Memorandum of Understanding*; and to encourage community planning and the development of healthy, active and complete communities; and

That a copy of this report be sent to all local municipalities.

Carried.

182. 2006 Community Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Inventory
ICP 62-2010

Moved by Councillor D'Angela
Seconded by Councillor Henderson

That Report ICP 62-2010, September 15, 2010 respecting 2006 Community Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Inventory, be received;

That the attached report in Appendix I, "Niagara Region 2006 Community Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Inventory be received and submitted to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) to satisfy the community component of Milestone One of the Partners for Climate Protection Program;

That upon recognition of the Inventory by FCM and ICLEI, staff be directed to commence work to develop the community component of Milestone Two and Three of the Partners for Climate Protection Program (i.e., determine an emissions reduction target and develop an action plan to meet that target); and

That this report be circulated to Niagara's agencies, the Smarter Niagara Steering Committee, Environmental and Ecological Advisory Committee, and the twelve local municipalities for information.

Carried.

183. Provincial Policy Statement Review
ICP 63-2010

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Henderson

That Report ICP 63-2010, September 15, 2010 respecting Provincial Policy Statement Review, be received;

That a copy of this Report and a copy of Report ICP 21-2010 be forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing as Niagara Region's submission on this phase of the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) review; and

That a copy of this Report and a copy of Report ICP 21-2010 be forwarded to the Area Planning Directors and the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority.

Carried.

184. Creating Healthy, Sustainable Bicycle Friendly Communities
Proposed Model Local Municipal Bicycle
Transportation Policies
ICP 64-2010

Moved by Councillor D'Angela
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That Report ICP 64-2010, September 15, 2010 respecting Creating Healthy, Sustainable Bicycle Friendly Communities Proposed Model Local Municipal Bicycle Transportation Policies, be received;

That the model local municipal bicycle transportation policies attached to this report be approved and circulated to all internal and external stakeholders who were consulted on their development; and

That all Niagara Area Municipalities be requested to review and incorporate the policies in this document in their overall strategy, including Official Plans and transportation master plans, for creating and fostering healthy, sustainable bicycle friendly communities.

Carried.

185. Applying for Niagara to be a
Cultural Capital of Canada in 2012
ICP 65-2010

Moved by Councillor Casselman
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That Report ICP 65-2010, September 15, 2010 respecting Applying for Niagara to be a Cultural Capital of Canada in 2012, be received;

That Regional Council support the submission of an application to become a Cultural Capital of Canada in 2012; and

That, based on a program requirement that successful bidders have made the requisite financial commitment, Regional Council give approval in principal to allocating approximately \$670,000 in order to leverage up to \$2 million in funding from the Cultural Capitals of Canada program, subject to confirmation in the 2011 Budget.

Carried.

186. Implementing the Niagara Culture Plan
ICP 66-2010

Moved by Councillor Casselman
Seconded by Councillor Timms

That Report ICP 66-2010, September 15, 2010 respecting Implementing the Niagara Culture Plan, be received; and

That this report be circulated to Niagara's Area Municipalities, Agencies, Boards and Commissions and other stakeholders as identified.

Carried.

187. Smarter Niagara Steering Committee
September 9, 2010

Moved by Councillor Gabriel
Seconded by Councillor Rigby

That the minutes of the Smarter Niagara Steering Committee meeting of September 9, 2010, be received and the following recommendation be approved:

That the Draft Report respecting Smarter Schools for a Smarter Niagara, be received and referred to staff for review and further report at the January 2011 meeting of the Smarter Niagara Steering Committee.

Carried.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

188. Request for Support
A National Food Policy for Canada
C7553

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Casselman

That Correspondence C7553, July 5, 2010, respecting a resolution from the City of Welland requesting support for the Notice of Motion entitled "A National Food Policy for Canada", be received;

That the Integrated Community Planning Committee and Agricultural Sub Committee's states its endorsement of the City of Welland's Notice of Motion entitled "A National Food Policy for Canada; and

That the Integrated Community Planning Committee and Agricultural Sub Committee's endorsement of the City of Welland's Notice of Motion entitled "A National Food Policy for Canada, be forwarded to the Public Health and Social Services Committee for information.

Carried.

189. Closure of Capital Projects
CSD 93-2010

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That Report CSD 93-2010, September 15, 2010 respecting Closure of Capital Projects, be received for information.

Carried.

190. *Niagara 2031*
Phase 5, Implementing Niagara's Sustainable Urban Vision
ICP-C-28-2010

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That Memorandum ICP-C-28-2010, September 15, 2010 respecting *Niagara 2031* – Phase 5, Implementing Niagara's Sustainable Urban Vision, be received for information.

Carried.

191. Greater Niagara Circle Route Committee
August 11, 2010

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That the Minutes of the Greater Niagara Circle Route Committee, dated August 11, 2010, be received for information.

Carried.

192. Niagara Gateway Economic Zone and Centre
Implementation Committee
June 4, 2010

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Trombetta

That the Minutes of the Niagara Gateway Economic Zone and Centre Implementation Committee, dated June 4, 2010, be received for information.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 3:17 p.m. to meet again at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 6, 2010 in Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters.

Councillor Smeaton
Chair

Lisa McManus
Legislative Assistant

Kevin Bain
Regional Clerk