



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the Committee of the Whole

From: Blair Nelson, Acting Director of Utility Services

Date: May 11, 2015

**Subject: Report USWM15-007
Amendment to the City-County Agreement for the County's
Use of the Materials Recycling Facility**

Purpose

A report to obtain Council approval to execute an amendment to the City-County Agreement for the County's use of the Materials Recycling Facility.

Recommendation

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report USWM15-007 dated May 11, 2015 of the Acting Director of Utility Services as follows:

That the attached By-law (Appendix A) authorizing the execution of an amendment to the City-County Agreement for the City's Materials Recycling Facility as detailed in the By-Law be signed by the Mayor and the Clerk.

Budget and Financial Implications

The changes to the revenues that will be received by the City are minor. The County continues to pay their share of standard maintenance and repairs and agreed-upon improvements, the value of which varies year to year. The City's administration fee that is charged to the County will now only be applied to County costs associated with the operation of the MRF for that year. The value of this reduction is typically in the order of \$2000 - \$3000 per year.

Background

In 2000, the City and County entered into a formal agreement whereby the City would permit the County to utilize its Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) for the receipt and processing of their blue box recyclables. That agreement stipulated the amount that the County would pay to the City for the MRF usage, based on a fee per tonne for all County recyclables accepted at the MRF. This fee included the costs to process the County's recyclables, as well as their share of MRF maintenance and repair costs. Over the years, various minor amendments to the Agreement have been made as circumstances dictated.

It was recently determined that more specific wording was required under Article 4 of the Agreement dealing with Fees and Charges. Although the City had historically been assigning an administration fee to the County's year-end true-up for the MRF, neither this nor the inclusion of facility insurance, office supplies and potentially municipal taxes was referenced in the Agreement or subsequent amendments. The proposed amendment will stipulate these charges, and show exactly how the administration fees are to be calculated.

County and City staff are in agreement with the terms of this latest amendment, which deals with fairly simple housekeeping issues and does not change the original nature or intention of the Agreement.

Submitted by,

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Attachments:
Appendix A – Draft By-Law on Amendment to the City-County MRF Agreement.