



City of
Peterborough

TO: Members of the Waste Management Steering Committee

FROM: W. H. Jackson, Director of Utility Services

MEETING DATE: November 19, 2012

**SUBJECT: Report WMC12-006
City of Peterborough Waste Management Master Plan - Update**

PURPOSE

To provide a progress report on the City's Waste Management Master Plan (WMMP).

RECOMMENDATION

That the Waste Management Committee endorse the recommendation as outlined in Report WMC12-006 dated November 19, 2012, of the Director of Utility Services as follows:

That Report WMC12-006 providing a progress report on the City's Waste Management Master Plan be received for information.

BUDGET AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no budget or financial implication associated with this report.

BACKGROUND

Report WMC12-001 considered at the September 10, 2012 Waste Management Committee (WMC) meeting provided a status report on the City's WMMP. The Plan had been completed in draft, and staff were ready to schedule the second Public Information Centre (PIC). There was a motion at this meeting that the City include representation from the County of Peterborough on committees involved with the WMMP processes, and that draft City and County WMMP's be reviewed by the WMC prior to going public.

Accordingly, the County's Manager of Environmental Services Division was appointed as a City WMMP Steering Committee member. A copy of the City's draft WMMP was sent to all WMC members on October 5, 2012. As there were no requests for changes from Committee members, the PIC was confirmed for Saturday October 20, 2012, to coincide with the Green Expo event. A version of the Plan was then posted on the City's website, inviting residents to provide comments back by October 22, 2012.

Cambium Environmental and City staff were on hand for the PIC, which was held at Lansdowne Place Mall from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. A large number of people visited the booth to discuss both the WMMP specifically, as well as waste management issues in general. A total of 60 brief surveys were completed. Respondents were asked for their top 3 picks from the 9 key recommendations presented in the plan, and to rank possible waste disposal options from Most Preferred to Least Preferred.

Based on the survey, the top three diversion recommendations are:

1. Identify recycling options for materials currently going to landfill including mattresses, carpet, textiles. (72.7%)
2. Develop an organics collection program. (58.2%)
3. Reduce garbage pickup and provide weekly recycling and organics pickup. (56.4%)

The most preferred disposal options include:

- Increase waste diversion (81.8%)
- Use of alternative waste derived fuel technologies (42.8%)

The least preferred disposal options include:

- Exporting wastes (51.9%)
- Establishing a new landfill (29.8%)

These survey results were incorporated into the draft WMMP.

A City WMMP Steering Committee meeting was held on November 1, 2012 and Committee members were asked to submit any remaining comments by November 9, 2012.

NEXT STEPS

The City's WMMP is anticipated to be finalized by mid-November, 2012. Staff and Cambium will present to City Council in the New Year, with recommendations on which of the key recommendations should be endorsed and planned for in the short, medium and long-term.

Submitted by,

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