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2007 York Region Capital Works Projects

NEWMARKET – York Regional Council today approved The Regional Municipality of York's 2007 *Business Plan and Budget* which will allocate \$520 million of its \$565 million Capital budget to roads, water and wastewater, transit, rapid transit, and solid waste management programs.

The Capital budget, representing one third of the total 2007 budget of \$1.8 billion, will see a significant commitment to road rehabilitation, road expansion, additional water and wastewater capacity, transit expansion and recycling initiatives.

Among the Transportation and Works capital investments in the 2007 Business Plan and Budget are:

A \$69 million investment in road infrastructure, including:

- Major improvements to:
 - Bathurst Street from Wellington Street to Mulock Drive
 - Ravenshoe Road from Prout Road to Weir's Sideroad
 - Highway 7 from Rouge River to Warden Avenue
- Maintenance for 3,476 lane kilometres of roadway and 716 traffic signals
- 52 additional lane kilometres to be constructed
- 70 lane kilometres to be resurfaced
- 28 Intersection Improvements
- 5 bridge and culvert rehabilitations

A \$59 million investment in water infrastructure, including:

- 36 additional kilometres of watermains
- 10 million additional litres of water storage facilities
- 1 new pumping station

A \$239 million investment in wastewater infrastructure, including:

- 10 kilometres of additional sewer and forcemains (sewer mains under pressure)
- 1 new equalization tank
- Completion of the 16th Avenue Trunk Sewer
- Ongoing construction of the YDSS Interceptor Sewer (along Leslie Street / 19th Avenue)

A \$44 million investment in York Region Transit, including:

- The purchase of 21 new and 3 replacement conventional buses
- The purchase of 3 specialized buses
- The purchase of 4 support vehicles
- Land acquisition for two transit vehicle garages
- Technology upgrades to conventional buses and customer service related systems
- Implementation of smart card technology in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA)



York Region is making a \$69 million investment in road infrastructure in 2007

A \$98 million investment in Viva Rapid Transit, including:

- Preliminary engineering on Viva “Blue” line dedicated transitways
- Land acquisition for the Langstaff terminal
- Construction of Cornell Terminal
- Purchase of 14 new Viva Rapid Transit Vehicles
- Work on the Spadina Subway Extension

A \$13 million investment in Solid Waste Management, including:

- Site selection and preliminary engineering for a new Community Environmental Centre in the City of Vaughan

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