

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

**REPORT NO. 1
OF THE REGIONAL
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 10, 2007**

**For Consideration by
The Council of The Regional Municipality of York
on January 25, 2007**

Chair: Mayor J. Young

Members: Mayor M. Black
Regional Councillor M. Ferri
Mayor P. Morris
Regional Councillor J. Taylor
Regional Councillor D. Wheeler
Regional Councillor T. Wong, Vice Chair
Regional Chair B. Fisch, ex officio

Staff Present: L. Bigioni, P. Casey, S. Cheng, J. Davidson, P. Draper, N. Garbe, B. Macgregor,
P. May, R. Miller, K. Price, N. Prout, L. Russell, B. Tuckey, J. Waller

The Planning and Economic Development Committee began its meeting at 1:05 p.m. on
January 10, 2007.

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The Planning and Economic Development Committee advises Council of the following matters having been considered by the Planning and Economic Development Committee with the following action:

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

1. Mayor Young was elected Chair and Regional Councillor Wong was elected Vice Chair of the Planning and Economic Development Committee for 2007.

PRESENTATIONS

2. **Planning and Development Services Department Program Initiatives**
Bryan Tuckey, Commissioner of Planning and Development Services, presented an overview of the Planning and Development Services Department and highlights of various program initiatives. Mr. Tuckey referred to success and accomplishments relating to: Sustainable Growth Management Initiatives; Vision

2026; Planning Integration; Master Plans; Spadina Subway Extension; York Region Economic Strategy; Human Services; Geomatics; and Priorities for 2007. **Received.**

Recent Amendments to Legislation Affecting the Region's Planning Issues

The Committee requested staff prepare a report for the February or March Committee meeting to inform Committee of any implications the recent amendments to the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the *Planning Act*, and the new *Toronto Act*, may have for the Region's planning issues.

3. Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, Terrestrial Natural Heritage System

John Waller, Director, Long Range and Strategic Planning, presented an overview of the Region's concerns relating to the Terrestrial Natural Heritage System strategy prepared by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) and implications relating to the implementation of the Provincial Growth Management and Greenbelt Plans.

The Committee received the presentation and recognizing that the Strategy will be helpful in protecting the natural system, recommends that TRCA staff be requested to review the Region's concerns and meet with Regional staff before the Strategy is finalized.

COMMUNICATIONS

4. James O'Mara, Director, Environmental Assessment and Approvals Branch, Ministry of the Environment, October 3, 2006, responding to the Region's letter relating to the Highway 427 Transportation Corridor Environmental Assessment. **Received.**
5. David Caplan, Minister, Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal, December 12, 2006, responding to the Region's letter relating to the Southern Ontario Highway Program. **Received.**
6. D. Gayle Wood, CAO, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, to The Hon. John Gerretsen, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, September 25, 2006, regarding a resolution relating to the Inter-Governmental Action Plan (IGAP) and requesting endorsement by all member municipalities. **Received and referred to staff for continued monitoring.**
7. Kevin Wilson, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Natural Resources, December 20, 2006, to Dick O'Brien, Chair, Toronto and Region Conservation

Authority, regarding Terrestrial Natural Heritage System Strategy (2006)
prepared by the TRCA. **Received.**

OTHER BUSINESS

The Planning and Economic Development Committee adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**January 10, 2007
Newmarket, Ontario**

**J. Young
Chair**

***(Report No. 1 of the Planning and Economic Development Committee was
adopted, without amendment, by Regional Council at its meeting held on
January 25, 2007.)***

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