

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

**REPORT NO. 6
OF THE REGIONAL
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON JUNE 16, 2004**

**For Consideration by
The Council of The Regional Municipality of York
on June 24, 2004**

Chair: Regional Councillor F. Scarpitti

Members: Regional Councillor M. Ferri
Regional Councillor B. Hogg
Regional Councillor B. O'Donnell
Mayor S. Sherban
Regional Councillor T. Van Bynen
Regional Councillor D. Wheeler
Regional Chair Fisch (ex officio)

Also Present: Regional Councillor J. Jones

Staff Present: D. Eastwood, N. Garbe, M. Garrett, K. Price, N. Prout, S. Taylor, B. Tuckey, J. Waller

The Planning and Economic Development Committee began its meeting at 1:12 p.m. on June 16, 2004.

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UPDATE - COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

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:

PRESENTATIONS

1. Overview of the Greater Toronto Marketing Alliance

Presentation by Karen Campbell, President and CEO, Greater Toronto Marketing Alliance.

Committee received the presentation and made the following recommendations:

- 1. The Board of Directors of the GTMA be requested to have a review of the organization, funding formula and financing methods;**
- 2. The Province of Ontario be requested to commit to enhanced and long term funding of the GTMA; and**
- 3. The GTMA be requested to provide information outlining the business**

and economic benefits to York Region and the local municipalities.

2. Low Income Profile: Building Resiliency Through Supporting Vulnerable Residents

Presentation by Cordelia Abankwa-Harris, Director, Policy and Program Support Services Division, and Joanne Fowler, Manager, Planning and Policy Branch, Community Services and Housing Department. **Received.**

3. Housing and Our Economy – Remaining Competitive

Presentation by John Waller, Director, and Anna Karasik, Planning Data Analyst, Long Range and Strategic Planning. **Received.**

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Minutes of the Agricultural Liaison Group – January 20, 2004. **Received.**
2. Rick Hunter, Consulting Town Planner, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, May 4, 2004, Request for Comments regarding Proposed Official Plan Amendments – Bond Head Development Corporation. **Received and referred to staff for a report.**
3. John Gerretsen, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, received June 9, 2004, regarding public consultations on reforms to the Ontario Municipal Board and the *Planning Act*, proposed changes to the Provincial Policy Statement, and on the need for implementation tools to facilitate better planning and strong communities in Ontario.
(Please refer to Report No. 9.) **Received.**

The Planning and Economic Development Committee adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**June 16, 2004
Newmarket, Ontario**

**F. Scarpitti
Chair**

(Report No. 6 of the Planning and Economic Development Committee was adopted, as amended, by the Council of The Regional Municipality of York at its meeting on June 24, 2004.)