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FCM RESOLUTION — LONG-TERM INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN

The Finance and Administration Committee recommends adoption of the following motion:

WHEREAS The Building Canada Plan and a number of important Federal-Provincial transfer agreements vital to Canada's cities and communities, will expire in March 2014;

WHEREAS Federal investments over the last few years have helped to slow the decline of our cities and communities, and the Government of Canada has committed to develop a new long-term plan for municipal infrastructure funding in consultation with municipal and provincial/territorial governments;

WHEREAS a seamless transition from the Building Canada Plan to a new long term plan is necessary to ensure that municipalities can continue planning their capital spending effectively;

WHEREAS The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) has launched a campaign to ensure the new plan reflects municipal priorities across the country and asks its member municipalities to pass a Council resolution supporting the campaign;

AND WHEREAS our community has continuing infrastructure and public transit needs, such as the Yonge Street Subway Extensions into Richmond Hill, that can only be achieved through long-term planning and an investment made possible by a national plan;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Region of York endorses the FCM campaign and urges the Federal Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities to work with FCM to ensure the new long-term infrastructure plan meets the core infrastructure needs of cities and communities;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Council urges the Federal Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities to ensure that the new long-term plan is fully in place when existing programs expire in 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Federal Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities, to the Ontario Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation, to the Members of Parliament in the ridings throughout York Region, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.