

Moved by Councillor Szollosy

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0186

WHEREAS ON JANUARY 31, 2008, THE ONTARIO MINISTER OF ENERGY ISSUED A DIRECTIVE TO THE ONTARIO POWER AUTHORITY (OPA) TO PROCURE A SIMPLY CYCLE NATURAL GAS-FIRED ELECTRICITY GENERATING FACILITY, WITH RATED GENERATION CAPACITY OF APPROXIMATELY 350MW AND NOT MORE THAN 400 MW;

AND WHEREAS THE TOWN OF GEORGINA IS IDENTIFIED IN THE NORTHERN YORK REGION REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (JANUARY 2008) AS ONE OF THE PREFERRED CONNECTION POINTS OF THE GENERATOR TO THE EXISTING TRANSMISSION SYSTEM;

AND WHEREAS AT LEAST ONE PRIVATE ENERGY COMPANY HAS EXPRESSED AN INTEREST TO THE TOWN IN THE LOCATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF A NATURAL GAS SINGLE CYCLE TURBINE POWERED ENERGY GENERATION PEAKER PLANT IN THE TOWN OF GEORGINA;

AND WHEREAS AS PART OF THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS, THE OPA HAS COMPLETED THE REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS STAGE AND IS NOW IN THE PROCESS OF EVALUATING THE RFQ APPLICANTS;

AND WHEREAS TOWARDS THE END OF APRIL 2008, THE OPA WILL ANNOUNCE THE SHORT LIST OF QUALIFIED PRIVATE ENERGY COMPANIES TO BUILD AND OPERATE A 350 MW PEAKING NATURAL GAS-FIRED POWER GENERATION FACILITY IN NORTHERN YORK REGION;

AND WHEREAS THE OFFICIAL PLAN OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA STATES AS A GUIDING PRINCIPLE "TO PREVENT THE POLLUTION OF LAND, AIR AND WATER RESOURCES OF THE TOWN";

AND WHEREAS IT FURTHER STATES AS A GUIDING PRINCIPLE, "TO PROTECT THE HIGH CAPABILITY AGRICULTURAL LAND BASE FROM URBAN ENCROACHMENT AND LAND USE CONFLICTS AND TO RECOGNIZE THE AGRICULTURAL INDUSTRY AND ITS ASSOCIATED SERVICES AS AN IMPORTANT ECONOMIC ACTIVITY";

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF GEORGINA SHALL PREPARE A WRITTEN COMMUNICATION TO THE ONTARIO POWER AUTHORITY TO FORMALLY REGISTER THE TOWN OF GEORGINA'S POSITION THAT THE TOWN DOES NOT INTEND TO ACCEPT THE CURRENT PROPOSAL FOR A NATURAL GAS-FIRED POWER GENERATION FACILITY, AS OUTLINED BY THE OPA, TO SUPPLY ADDITIONAL POWER TO MEET THE NEEDS OF NORTHERN YORK REGION, SOUTH SIMCOE AND THE INTEGRATED PROVINCIAL ELECTRICITY SUPPLY SYSTEM;

FURTHER THAT THE TOWN OF GEORGINA SUPPORTS CONSERVATION AND PEAK DEMAND MANAGEMENT INITIATIVES AS WELL AS COMBINED HEAT AND POWER PROJECTS AND ELECTRICITY GENERATION USING RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES; AND

THAT A COPY OF THE LETTER SHALL BE SENT TO THE MINISTER OF THE ENVIRONMENT, ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD AND THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK.

A recorded vote was requested; the Clerk recorded the vote as follows:

	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Mayor Grossi	X	
Councillor Hackenbrook	X	
Councillor Jamieson		X
Councillor Jordan	X	
Councillor Smockum	X	
Councillor Szollosy	X	
YEA	- 5	
NAY	- 1	

Carried.....

Moved by Councillor Szollosy

Seconded by Councillor Jordan

RESOLUTION NO. C-2008-0187

WHEREAS THE TOWN OF GEORGINA WAS NOT INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NORTHERN YORK REGION WORKING GROUP WITH RESPECT TO IDENTIFYING THE ENERGY NEEDS IN YORK REGION:

AND WHEREAS A NUMBER OF FACTORS CONCERNING REQUIREMENTS AND OPTIONS FOR POWER GENERATION HAVE EMERGED, WHICH WERE NOT CONSIDERED BY THE WORKING GROUP:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN OF GEORGINA REQUEST THE MINISTER OF ENERGY FOR ONTARIO, THE HONOURABLE GERRY PHILIPS, TO DIRECT THE ONTARIO POWER AUTHORITY TO RE-CONSTITUTE THE NORTHERN YORK REGION WORKING GROUP IN ORDER TO UPDATE THE NORTHERN YORK REGION PLAN BEFORE ANY REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS ARE ISSUED BY THE ONTARIO POWER AUTHORITY:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE UPDATED PLAN SHOULD INCLUDE:

- i) DETAILED LOAD ANALYSIS AND FORECAST FOR YORK REGION
- ii) TYPE, POWER OUTPUT AND CONNECTION LOCATION OF REQUIRED LOCAL GENERATION
- iii) CONSIDERATION OF CONSERVATION EFFORTS
- iv) INCLUSION OF AGGRESSIVE SUPPORT FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCE GENERATION.

A recorded vote was requested; the Clerk recorded the vote as follows:

	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Mayor Grossi	X	
Councillor Hackenbrook	X	
Councillor Jamieson	X	
Councillor Jordan	X	
Councillor Smockum	X	
Councillor Szollosy	X	

YEA	-	6
NAY	-	0

Carried unanimously.....