

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

TOWN OF GEORGINA – JUNE 8, 2009

► Reports

◆Council received Report No. DAS-2009-0034 entitled 'York Region Police/Georgina By-law Partnership', an initiative to conduct bicycle patrols in partnership with York Regional Police, primarily in the beach areas. This partnership is mainly intended to promote a safe community in the Town of Georgina. It is proposed that a Town By-law Enforcement officer will ride with Police Officers on a number of occasions throughout the summer months. The By-law Officers will deal with municipal by-law matters and the Police will deal with Police matters.

◆Council received Report No. EPW-2009-0017, authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to execute an Acknowledgement and Direction to delete the Development/Site Plan Agreements respecting 24430 Woodbine Avenue, Keswick, as the property is no longer operated as perceived in the original agreements following new ownership.

◆Council received Report No. EPW-2009-0019, awarding Tender EPW2009-004 to Miller Paving Ltd. for expanded asphalt and paving on the following streets: Clovelly Cove, Duclos Point Road (north end), Forestry Drive, Riverside Drive and Riverview Beach Road.

◆Council received Report No. ED-2009-0003 and endorsed the application by the Alliance for a Better Georgina (ABG) to South Lake Community Futures for funding to conduct a feasibility study for the establishment of a Water Centre for Innovation, Research and Learning in the Town of Georgina.

◆Council received Report No. DAS-2009-0030, appointing Councillor Szollosy, Councillor Jamieson and Mayor Grossi to an Election Committee to review the 2010 Election process.

◆Council received Report No. EPW-2009-0018 to amend the Traffic By-law to impose parking restrictions on both sides of Gwendolyn Boulevard, Sunbird Boulevard and Skybird Lane. Initially, 'No Parking' signs are to be installed only on the south side of Gwendolyn Boulevard, opposite the Stephen Leacock Theatre and Park and that additional sections of the above streets are only to be signed if overflow parking occurs from the Theatre parking lot to the residential areas.

◆Council received Report No. PB-2009-0042, approving applications submitted by Camlane Holdings Inc., Simcoe Landing, to exempt Blocks 139, 140 & 141, Registered Plan 65M-4131, south side of Palgrave Avenue, from Part Lot Control as per Section 50 (7) of The Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990.

◆Council received Report No. DAS-2009-0036, agreeing that the Town discontinue its practice of leasing certain vehicles for ongoing operational purposes and instead purchase vehicles to replace the currently leased vehicles as they reach the end of the lease agreement terms. Staff was requested to establish a policy for regular maintenance of all Town-owned vehicles for review and approval by Council.

► **Deputations**

◆Council granted approval to Katera Mahussier, one of the party organizers, for an exemption from the Fireworks By-law No. 91-85 (REG-1) to permit the setting off of fireworks on June 30, 2009, during a street party.

◆Council received a deputation made by Mary Gurica concerning property standards issues on her property at 287 Irene Drive, Keswick. The Town Clerk and Chief Municipal Law Enforcement Officer are to attend at the property with Mr. Gurica to review the list compiled by staff.

► **Actions**

◆Council requested the CAO to ensure that the proper signage is ordered and posted at the new municipal water tap at the intersection of Black River Road and Park Road

◆Council endorsed the position of the Town of Markham's initiative requesting the Federal Government to implement Federal Tax Incentives for the preservation of heritage properties. Council also requested the Federal Government to introduce financial incentives which would encourage private sector investment in the rehabilitation of historic properties and districts.

◆The Director of Planning and Building was requested to prepare a report respecting future development applications within the Simcoe Landing Subdivision – at the corner of Ravenshoe Road and The Queensway South - in order to help eliminate the current parking concerns currently being experienced by residents in existing neighbourhoods within this subdivision

- ◆Council granted support to the 'W.J. Watson Backyard Bash' barbeque, music and movie event to be held on the evening of June 12, 2009, from 6:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on school property.
- ◆Council received a deputation by Lynn Marles concerning the annual 'Give A Miracle A Chance' fundraising event to be held on June 20, 2009, and granted permission to host a beer tent during the event, among other venues.
- ◆Council endorsed the position put forward by the Town of Fort Erie, petitioning the Premier of Ontario to take the necessary steps in a timely manner to amend The Ombudsman Act to include hospitals under the jurisdiction of the Ombudsman to ensure a high level of health care, fiscal responsibility, accountability, openness and transparency.
- ◆Council received for information correspondence from Jim Karygiannis, Scarborough-Agincourt, House of Commons, requesting support of Bill C-319, an Act to amend the Motor Vehicle Safety Act to equip all vehicles, with the exception of first responder vehicles and other vehicles used in emergencies, with speed limiters set to a maximum speed of 150 kilometres per hour.
- ◆Council endorsed the position of the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee (GAgAC) to support Ontario Egg Farmers and the purchase of locally produced food.
- ◆Council received for information and referred the Region of York's draft reports of the Water and Wastewater Master Plan Update and the Transportation Master Plan Update to the appropriate department heads for review and submission of reports to Council. The review and comment deadline is September 30, 2009.
- ◆Council granted temporary closure of Civic Centre Road between Metro Road and Baseline Road, on Wednesday, July 1st, 2009, during the Canada Day event being held at the Civic Centre, from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
- ◆Council granted temporary closure of Fairpark Lane between Hawkins Street and Snooks Road from August 6 to 9, 2009, during the annual Sutton Fair and Horse Show.