

City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Environmental Advisory Committee

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

7:00 PM

Sir Robert Barrie Room

For consideration at Community Services Committee on February 7, 2018.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, P. Bursztyn at 7:08 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 7 - Chairman P. Bursztyn

Councillor M. McCann

A. McNair

G. Poisson

C. Reynolds

K. Thomson

W. Wilson

STAFF:

Acting City Clerk/Director of Legislative Services, W. Cooke.

The Environmental Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:

POSSIBILITY OF A NATIVE PLANT SALVAGE PROGRAM

The Committee discussed the possibility of implementing a Native Plant Salvage Program. This Program would include salvaging plants from the natural heritage systems of undeveloped areas in the City and re-locating plants to private and City properties.

G. Poisson reviewed the process that would need to be followed to implement such a Program and that discussions concerning the timing would need to be had between staff and developers to ensure a coordinated approach.

Councillor McCann noted he may bring forward an Item for Discussion at a future General Committee meeting concerning this matter.

ROAD SALT PROGRAM DISCUSSION

This item was deferred to a future meeting.

POTENTIAL FAMILY ORIENTED SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT FACILITY DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed the concerns and benefits of a family oriented sports and entertainment facility within the City in the right location.

The Committee discussed the creation of a City Working Task Group for the proposed Sports and Entertainment Facility and commented that participation from an Environmental Advisory Committee representative would be beneficial.

PLASTIC BOTTLE POLLUTION

The Committee discussed the concerns associated with plastic bottle pollution and the increasing number of littered plastic bottles on land and bodies of water.

The Committee reviewed options to reduce plastic bottle pollution.

That Committee discussed various methods of communicating its concerns related to this issue to the Provincial Government and MPPs. The Committee agreed that correspondence be sent to Ann Hoggarth, MPP and Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

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