# THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF PEEL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Members G.S. Dhillon
Present: P. Fortini
N. Iannicca

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M. Mahoney

Members Absent:

D. Damerla

J. Innis

C. Thomson, Deputy Clerk and

S. Jurrius. Committee Clerk

Manager of Legislative Services

K. Ras

I. Sinclair

R. Starr

Staff Present J. Baker, Chief Administrative Officer

P. Caza, Acting Regional Solicitor K. Dedman, Commissioner of Public Works

Works S. Valleau, Legislative Specialist K. Lockyer, Regional Clerk and Director S. MacGregor, Legislative Technical of Clerk's Coordinator

N. Lee, Director of Waste Management

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Starr, Committee Chair, called the Waste Management Strategic Advisory Committee meeting to order on September 16, 2021 at 11:03 a.m., in the Council Chambers, Regional Administrative Headquarters, 10 Peel Centre Drive. Councillor Starr, members of the Committee and staff participated electronically.

Councillor Damerla was absent due to illness.

Councillor Dhillon arrived at 11:12 a.m.

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### **RECOMMENDATION WMSAC-13-2021:**

That the agenda for the September 16, 2021 Waste Management Strategic Advisory Committee meeting, be approved.

# 4. **DELEGATIONS**

Nil.

#### 5. REPORTS

# 5.1 Municipal Hazardous and Special Waste Transition to Full Producer Responsibility Update – Impact of Final Regulation

(For information)

Received

Members of the Committee discussed and raised questions regarding: Hazardous and Special Products (HSP) requirements for producers to provide the specified number of collection sites in each municipality; potential storage capacity issues at Peel collection sites resulting from the new call-in provision requiring producers to pick up designated material within three months of receiving such requests; potential impacts to drop-off fees at community recycling centres; and, agreements to ensure a successful transition to the new HSP program by October 1, 2021.

# 5.2 Transition of the Blue Box Program to Full Producer Responsibility – September 2021 Update: Final Blue Box Regulation

## **RECOMMENDATION WMSAC-14-2021:**

That staff negotiate agreement(s) with blue box producers and/or Producer Responsibility Organizations for the Region of Peel to provide recyclables collection services on their behalf after the transition to the new regulatory framework within the timelines contemplated in the Ontario Blue Box Regulation O. Reg. 391/21, as amended, on business terms satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Works and on legal terms satisfactory to the Regional Solicitor;

And further, that staff report back to Regional Council for endorsement and to seek authority for execution of the agreements once satisfactory agreement(s) are reached:

And further, that staff be authorized to issue and award a Request for Proposal for the transition of blue box processing, to include the lease of the Material Recovery Facility (MRF) portion of the Peel Integrated Waste Management Facility site, the sale of MRF sorting equipment, and processing and marketing of the Region's recyclables as outlined in the report of the Commissioner of Public Works, listed on the September 16, 2021 Waste Management Strategic Advisory Committee agenda, titled "Transition of the Blue Box Program to Full Producer Responsibility – September 2021 Update: Final Blue Box Regulation", including any innovations, in accordance with the Procurement By-law 30-2018, as amended;

And further, that the Region's duly authorized signing officers or the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized to execute all necessary agreements, including a lease agreement, an asset purchase agreement, and agreement for the processing and marketing of the Region's recyclables, together with such further documents that may be required, to complete the award of the Request for Proposal and resulting contracts, all on business terms satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Works and on legal terms satisfactory to the Regional Solicitor;

And further, that in the event that the procurement award results in a new operator for the Region's Material Recovery Facility, that the Region's duly authorized signing officers or the Commissioner of Public Works be authorized to execute an amendment to the existing contract for the operation of the Material Recovery Facility (Contract 2013-001T), together with such further ancillary documents that may be required, to complete the work of facility handover to the new operator on business terms satisfactory to the Commissioner of Public Works and on legal terms acceptable to the Regional Solicitor, subject to the limit of the approved Regional budget.

Members of the Committee discussed and raised questions regarding: options for ineligible sources currently collected by Peel that are not designated in the Blue Box regulation for producers responsibility, such as small industrial, commercial and institutional establishments, municipal facilities or other non-residential locations; complexity of the program; and, financial savings to Peel.

In response to the questions of clarification from Councillor Sinclair regarding ineligible sources, Norman Lee, Director of Waste Management, stated that multiple options are being considered by staff which includes ceasing the collection of recyclables from ineligible sources; collecting separately from eligible sources; or, staff's preferred option, continuing to collect recyclables from eligible and ineligible sources together after transition.

Norman Lee, Director of Waste Management, also stated that Peel and other municipalities have been asking for full producer responsibility for years. The new Blue Box regulation addresses many of the concerns raised by the Region of Peel. The enactment of the subject regulation marks the end of years of advocacy and is a true testament of efforts by Regional Council and staff. Once the program is fully transitioned, Peel stands to realize over \$15 million a year in savings and avoided costs.

#### 5.3 Organics Processing Update

(For information)

#### Received

In response to a question of clarification from Regional Chair lannicca regarding staff reporting timelines on organics options, Norman Lee, Director of Waste Management, stated that staff will report on the options to address Peel's short and long-term organics processing requirements and implementation plans to the Waste Management Strategic Advisory Committee later in the fall of 2021.

#### 6. COMMUNICATIONS

Nil.

# 7. OTHER BUSINESS

In response to a request from Councillor Fortini, Norman Lee, Director of Waste Management, undertook to provide him with the Region of Peel Waste phone line and website address for garbage, recycling, or organics cart replacements.

## 8. IN CAMERA

Nil.

## 9. **NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, October 7, 2021 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Council Chamber, 5th floor Regional Administrative Headquarters 10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A Brampton, ON

Please forward regrets to Stephanie Jurrius, Committee Clerk, at stephanie.jurrius@peelregion.ca.

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.