

Motion

Agenda Number: 20.2

Date: March 24, 2022

Moved by Councillor Fonseca

Seconded by Councillor Dasko

Whereas Regional Council at its meeting on October 8, 2020 approved a 12-month Rat Control Rebate Pilot Program and a Construction Abatement Program (Resolution 2020-812);

And whereas, the Region of Peel implemented a Residential Rat Control Subsidy Pilot Program (the Pilot Program) that started January 1, 2021 and it set to end on March 31, 2022;

And whereas, the Pilot Program findings outlined in the report of the Commissioner of Public Works, listed on the March 24, 2022 Regional Council agenda titled "Residential Rat Control Subsidy Pilot Program", demonstrated lower than expected community uptake of the subsidy;

And whereas, community focus on COVID-19 may have posed as a distraction to resident participation;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Region of Peel Residential Rat Control Subsidy Pilot Program be extended in the current format as outlined in the subject report until November 30, 2022 to better evaluate subsidy demand;

And further, that staff monitor the issue and report back to a future meeting of Regional Council on the Rat Control Rebate Pilot Program prior to implementation of the program beyond the pilot stage;

And further, that construction abatement, including pest control measures, be adopted as a standard inclusion for future Region of Peel construction project tenders;

And further, that the construction abatement programs continue to be funded from capital projects;

And further, that an additional \$100,000 required to meet previous years' subsidy levels and fund potential subsidy uptake be added to remaining capital funds available from the previously approved budget until the program can be evaluated after the pilot stage.

Regional Chair