### **CITY OF VAUGHAN**

#### EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 19, 2013

Item 1, Report No. 8, of the Committee of the Whole (Working Session), which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on February 19, 2013.

## 2013 YORK REGION TRANSIT ANNUAL SERVICE PLAN <u>CITY-WIDE</u>

The Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommends:

- 1) That the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, dated February 12, 2013, be approved;
- 2) That York Region Transit be requested to provide a further presentation to a future Committee of the Whole (Working Session) regarding the Mobility Plus Services; and
- 3) That the deputation of Mr. Adrian Kawun, York Region Transit, High Tech Road, Richmond Hill and Communication C1, presentation material entitled, *"2013 Annual Service Plan"*, be received.

#### **Recommendation**

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The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works recommends:

1. THAT the presentation from York Region Transit staff on the 2013 Annual Transit Service Plan be received.

# Contribution to Sustainability

Accessible and frequent local transit service supports compact urban form and offers an alternative mode of transportation to the single occupant vehicle.

# Economic Impact

There is no economic impact resulting from the recommendations of this report.

# **Communication Plan**

York Region Transit (YRT) has undertaken extensive stakeholder consultation in preparing the 2013 Transit Service Plan. Additional information on the Plan is available to stakeholders through media coverage, website postings, advertisement and print material.

# <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with a high level overview of the 2013 York Region Transit Service Plan as a precursor to a more detailed presentation from York Region Transit Staff.

#### **Background – Analysis and Options**

In 2012, York Region Transit (YRT) released their Five Year Service Plan covering the period between 2012 and 2016. This Plan is a strategic document identifying YRT/Viva's service, operating, and capital requirements and objectives for the next five years. The objective of the Plan is to guide YRT/Viva through the transit system's realignment phase, while focusing on effective ridership management, matching levels of service to meet demand and improving on-time performance.

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YRT prepares annual service plans to support the goals and objectives of the Five-Year Service Plan. The objectives of the 2013 Annual Service Plan include:

- 1. Restructuring routes
- 2. Strengthening the grid network
- 3. Matching service levels to meet demand
- 4. Improving service reliability
- 5. Mitigating VivaNext construction impacts
- 6. Managing ridership

# YRT is reallocating resources in Vaughan to transit corridors experiencing high passenger demand.

The 2013 YRT Annual Service Plan identifies the implementation of a new transit route in the Vellore Village area, and service delivery changes in six existing routes. The details of these service initiatives are provided in Attachment No.1 to this report and are the subject of the presentation from YRT staff.

#### Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

#### **Regional Implications**

On January 1, 2001, York Region assumed responsibility for the funding and operation of public conventional and specialized transit services throughout York Region. The York Region Transit 2013 Annual Service Plan was approved by Regional Council on September 20, 2012.

# **Conclusion**

The York Region Transit 2013 Annual Service Plan is proposing to implement a new route in Vaughan and to reallocate resources in transit corridors experiencing high passenger demand.

# **Attachments**

Attachment No.1 – Excerpt from 2013 YRT Annual Service Plan (Vaughan)

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(A copy of the attachments referred to in the foregoing have been forwarded to each Member of Council and a copy thereof is also on file in the office of the City Clerk.)