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COUNCIL - March 19, 2013

TO: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FROM: JOHN MACKENZIE, COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING

DATE: MARCH 12, 2013

SUBJECT: COMMUNICATION - COUNCIL MEETING, MARCH 19, 2013

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (WORKING SESSION) MARCH 5, 2013 STEELES AVENUE CORRIDOR URBAN DESIGN STREETSCAPE PLAN STUDY ITEM NO. 2, REPORT NO. 12 FILE NO. 15.42.2 WARD 4

Recommendation:

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

1. THAT the following Recommendation No. 3, be added to Item No. 2 of Report No. 12 of Committee of the Whole (Working Session) March 5, 2013, "Steeles Avenue Corridor Urban Design Streetscape Plan Study":

THAT staff be directed to review the site specific policies in Volume 1 and Volume 2 of the Official Plan pertaining to the UPS operations located on the north side of Steeles Avenue with any changes to be addressed in the final report of the Steeles Avenue Corridor Urban Design Streetscape Plan Study.

Background:

Further to the adoption of the above report at the Committee of the Whole (Working Session) on March 5, 2013, discussions have occurred with UPS regarding their concerns with the report as it pertains to their holdings. UPS representatives in discussions with the Commissioner of Planning and Manager of Urban Design have requested that additional consideration be given to recognizing the inclusion of site specific policies into Volumes 1 and 2 of the VOP 2010 for the UPS site, which provides for the long-term operation of its facility at that location. UPS has also requested that additional research and analysis be undertaken on how the streetscaping policies might apply to potential future expansions of the UPS site.

This work will be undertaken in addition to the financial analysis work associated with the Committee of the Whole (Working Session) recommendation of March 5, 2013 and incorporated into the final report that is expected to be presented to Committee of the Whole in late 2013 or early 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

per: JOHN MACKÉNZIE Commissioner of Planning Copy To: Clayton D. Harris, City Manager Jeffrey A. Abrams, City Clerk Grant Uvevama, Director of Development Planning Rob Bayley, Manager of Urban Design Diana Birchall, Director of Policy Planning Roy McQuillin, Manager of Policy Planning