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TO:

HONOURABLE MAURIZIO BEVILACQUA, MAYOR

AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FROM:

JOHN MACKENZIE, COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING

RE:

COUNCIL ITEM - OCTOBER 30, 2012

DIRECTION TO REPORT ON TERMS OF REFERENCE AND BUDGET PREPARATION OF THE NEW COMMUNITY AREAS SECONARY PLAN(S)

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The following recommendation was made at the Committee of the Whole meeting of October 16, 2012, regarding Item #7:

"The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That consideration of this matter be deferred to the Council meeting of October 30, 2012 for staff review and comment on the following motions:
 - 1. Prior to the approval of the secondary plans and block plans, Council shall include in the requirements of the Terms of Reference for the secondary plans a study of the staging and timing of the development for each block in terms of its financial impact on the City which will ensure that both developments are within the financial capability of the City;
 - 2. That the Terms of Reference for the Secondary Plans incorporate the findings of Phases 2-3 of the Natural Heritage Network as key criteria for preparing the structure and design of development of the New Community Areas;
 - 3. The Region of York's New Community Guidelines be incorporated in the Terms of Reference to ensure the developments are sustainable and that they provide for complete and healthy communities; "

Regarding recommendation 2, based on the understanding of the timing for the Natural Heritage Network Study it is appropriate to incorporate the findings of Phases 2 and 3 of the Natural Heritage Network Study into the Terms of Reference for the New Community Secondary Plans.

In reference to recommendation 3, the Region's New Community Guidelines are anticipated to be finalized in consultation with stakeholders by the spring of 2013. Therefore, it would be appropriate to include in the Terms of Reference for the New Community Areas Secondary Plan studies, a requirement for the consideration of the New Community Guidelines in the development of the Secondary Plans.

Respectfully submitted,

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