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Communication
CW: <u>May 5/15</u>
Item: <u>5</u>

DATE: MAY 4, 2015

TO: MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FROM: JOHN MACKENZIE, COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING

SUBJECT: ITEM #5 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – MAY 5, 2015

**OAK RIDGES MORAINÉ CONSERVATION PLAN REVIEW
UPDATE ON PROVINCIAL PLAN REVIEW - IN RESPONSE
TO THE MEMBERS RESOLUTION OF MARCH 24, 2015**

Recommendation

1. That the Region of York and the Province examine the details of the three requests for changes to the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan in the City of Vaughan, as identified below, as part of the Provincial Plan Coordinated Review process.

Purpose

The purpose of this communication is to update the above noted report to provide the latest information pertaining to landowner requests for changes to the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan, resulting from the Provincial Plan Coordinated Review.

Background – Analysis and Options

As of May 4, 2015 the City of Vaughan and Region of York are aware of three requests from landowners (Meadow Valley Garden Centre, the Milani Group and Goldpark (Maple) Inc.) for changes regarding the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan (ORMCP), as shown on Attachment 1.

The recommendations of this report are applicable to the Milani Group request related to the Countryside Area of the ORMCP. The Goldpark lands are located within the Natural Linkage Area designation of the ORMCP where, under the Plan, the 10-Year Review cannot consider removing land from the Natural Linkage Area. The Meadow Valley Garden Centre request relates to their interest in having their situation examined in light of previous City of Vaughan Council decisions to support their proposed land use, subject to conditions. These lands are also subject to the Natural Linkage Area designation of the ORMCP.

The Region of York is preparing a report for consideration by Region of York Committee of the Whole on either May 7, 2015 or May 14, 2015, which will discuss the requests that the Region and City are aware of regarding the Provincial Plan Coordinated review. This report would proceed to Regional Council on May 21, 2015 pending the direction of Regional Committee.

Conclusion

Therefore it is recommended that the Region of York and the Province examine the details of the three requests for the requested changes to the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan in the City of Vaughan, as part of the Provincial Plan Coordinated Review process.

Respectfully submitted,

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JOHN MACKENZIE
Commissioner of Planning

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Attachment

1. Landowner Submissions to York Region - Provincial Plan Review Process (May 4, 2015)

Copy To: Steve Kanellakos, City Manager
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