Government Relations Matters

Committee of Council September 22, 2021



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Regional Council Meeting

Thursday, 23 September 2021 @ 9:30 AM | Council agenda is available here.

The Public Affairs team reviewed the Regional Council agenda and engaged with relevant department staff.

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Item 15.1: Transfer of Region of Peel Additional One-Time Canada Community-Building Fund Allocation - 2021 (Recommendation)

Overview:

- On March 25, 2021, the Federal government announced additional funding of \$2.2B to address infrastructure priorities in municipalities and First Nation Communities across Canada will flow through the federal Gas Tax Fund.
- The Region of Peel and local municipalities have received the one-time top-up of the Canada Community-Building Fund (formerly federal Gas Tax Fund) from Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).
- The Region's one-time top-up funds are app. \$42.1M and based on the previously used formula the Region would retain 17 per cent (\$7.1M) of the funds and distribute the remaining 83 per cent (\$35M) to the local
- municipalities, Regional Council must enact a by-law to authorize such transfer.
- The calculated allocation of the one-time top-up Canada Community-Building Fund to the local municipalities is based on the 2016 census data resulting in \$15M to the City of Brampton, \$18.3M to the City of Mississauga and \$1.7M to the Town of Caledon.

<u>City of Brampton Staff Comments (Finance Division)</u>:

• Staff support the recommendation in the report to allocate the one-time additional funding to the lower tier municipalities, according to the same formula that is transferred with the annual recurring CCBF.

Staff Recommendation

• Support the Regional staff recommendation

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Item 15.2: 2022 Regional Council and Committee Meeting Schedule (Recommendation)

Overview:

The staff report contains the proposed 2022 Council and Committee meeting schedule

City of Brampton Staff Comments (Clerk's):

- The 2022 Regional Council legislative calendar follows the format and pattern of previous annual meeting calendars. Regional staff shared a draft of their 2022 meeting calendar earlier and there are no apparent scheduling conflicts with the draft 2022 Brampton legislative meeting calendar to be presented to the September 29 Council meeting for approval, in accordance with the Procedure By-law.
- The proposed 2022 Regional meeting calendar includes no meetings in October due to the municipal election on October 24, 2022. The start of the new Council term is November 15, 2022, as a result of recent legislative changes. The current term ends on November 14, 2022. The proposed Regional Council inaugural meeting is November 17, 2022.
- The proposed 2022 Brampton legislative meeting calendar will include similar scheduling provisions including the Brampton City Council inaugural meeting on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, followed by a Special Council meeting on November 16 to allow Council to appoint its additional Regional Councillors to be sworn in at the Regional Council inaugural meeting on November 17, 2022.

Staff Recommendation

• Support the Regional staff recommendation

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Item 17.1: Transfer of Embleton Road from the Region of Peel to the City of Brampton (Recommendation)

Overview:

- In November 2005, Regional Council directed staff, working in conjunction with local municipal staff, to review the criteria for designating a road as upper tier and to undertake a review to rationalize the arterial road network.
- The process recommended Option 4A, which proposed the transfer of seven sections of road inventory between the Region and local municipalities.
- As part of the Review, Regional Council approved, in principle, the jurisdictional transfer of Regional Road 6 (Embleton Road) from the Region of Peel to the City of Brampton between the limits of Regional Road 1 (Mississauga Road) and Regional Road 19 (Winston Churchill Boulevard).

City of Brampton Staff Comments (Public Works & Engineering):

- The transfer of the Embleton Road will result in increase in the City's annual road maintenance and operation costs of app. \$37,000, and the City's Capital Plan will need to include three new intersection projects associated with Embleton Road in future years. These projects are primarily funded from the Roads Development Charges Reserve Fund and are currently estimated at \$3 million in Region's Capital Plan.
- Although there will be financial costs associated with each individual transfer, the net broader financial impacts should be approximately neutral at the Regional and local municipality levels.

Staff Recommendation

Support the Regional staff recommendation

Provincial Government

Update





September 17, 2021: Announced eight new Ontario Health Teams located across the province. The province will provide up to \$9 million in funding over the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 fiscal years to support these teams.

September 16, 2021: Opened a 10-kilometre expansion of Highway 427 from Finch Avenue to Major Mackenzie Drive.

September 15, 2021: Announced expansion of GO train service to Southwestern Ontario with weekday trips between London and Toronto. The new service will extend beyond GO Transit's Kitchener line and also include stops in St. Marys and Stratford.

September 14, 2021: Released the regulations and guidance for businesses and organizations to support them in implementing proof of vaccination requirements, which take effect on September 22, 2021.

The Provincial **requirement for a proof of vaccination** status to access certain businesses and settings came into effect today (September 22, 2021).

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Liberal Minority Government



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Federal Government 44th Federal General Election



- **Health Care** Invest \$6B to support the elimination of health system waitlists.
 - \$3.2B to the provinces and territories for the hiring of 7,500 new family doctors, nurses, and nurse practitioners.
 - New federal transfer to provinces and territories (Canada Mental Health Transfer) to assist with delivery of high quality, accessible, and free mental health services

Environment

- Cut Canada's greenhouse gas emissions by 40-45% below 2005 levels by 2030.
- Ensure the oil and gas sector cuts emissions to hit net-zero in 2050.
- Ban single-use plastics by 2030.

Housing

- New \$4B Housing Accelerator Fund which will grow the annual housing supply in the country's largest cities
- \$1B in funding for a rent-to-own program.
- First home savings account to allow Canadians up to age 40 to save up to \$40,000 for their first home and withdraw it tax-free when it's time to buy.
- Ban foreign ownership of new homes for the next two years.

Economy

- Reduce fees for child care by 50% in the next year and deliver \$10 a day child care within five years or less.
- Introduce a new EI benefit for self-employed Canadians

Pandemic Recovery

\$1B COVID-19 Proof of Vaccination Fund to support provinces and territories who implement a requirement for proof of vaccine credentials.



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