

Appendix D

Durham Council Resolution dated May 12, 2016

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF DURHAM

MOVED BY

J. Parish

SECONDED BY

C. Jordan

Whereas the Minister of Environment and Climate Change received 90 Part II Order requests in February 2014 identifying significant concerns relating to the Class Environmental Assessment conducted by the Regions of Durham and York to Address Outfall Capacity Limitations at the Duffin Creek Water Pollution Control Plan (WPCP); and

Whereas the Town of Ajax has provided a strong scientific foundation from 3 years of intensive study for the conclusion that the WPCP is the primary source of the phosphorus that leads to excessive algae growth and odors preventing residents from enjoying their outdoor living areas and loss of beneficial uses along the Ajax waterfront; and

Whereas the Minister issued an Order under the Environmental Assessment Act on April 4, 2016 requiring the Regions to prepare a Phosphorus Reduction Action Plan (PRAP) to determine how the WPCP's phosphorus concentrations and loads can be reduced to the lowest achievable level and establish a strategy to reduce the amount of soluble reactive phosphorus (SRP) in the WPCP effluent in the short, medium and long term; and

Whereas the Order is an important first step in recognizing the role of the WPCP in causing excessive algae growth along the Ajax nearshore, and the Order also shows a willingness by the Minister to consider options to optimize and advance the WPCP operations and treatment technology to protect the Town's waterfront; and

Whereas the Town is looking forward to working in partnership with the Regions to find and implement a solution to the excessive algae growth along the Ajax waterfront;

Now Therefore, the Town requests Regional Council to direct staff to:

- 1) Fully engage the Town in the preparation of the terms of reference for the PRAP required by the Minister and involve the Town as an equal partner with the Regions in the preparation of the PRAP;
- 2) Invite Dr. Martin T. Auer of Michigan Technological University to be fully involved in formulating the Study's terms of reference and participate in the Study for its duration on the Town's behalf; and
- 3) Prepare and submit the appropriate applications for federal infrastructure funding for any upgrades to the WPCP required to implement the Study recommendations.

DATED this 12th Day of May 2016.

DCWPCP Notice of Motion – Amendments

- 1 Delete
- 2 Engage the Town of Ajax in the PRAP Study process by:
 - a. Meeting with Town staff regularly throughout the PRAP Study process;
 - b. Inviting Dr. Martin T. Auer of Michigan Technological University to fully participate in the PRAP Study in a collaborative scientific manner at the cost of the Town;
 - c. Including Actiflo (or ballasted flocculation) among the tertiary treatment technologies studied, and applying standard assessment criteria to each; and
 - d. Documenting the expert points of consensus and scientific differences of opinion in the final PRAP Study Report.
- 3 Delete