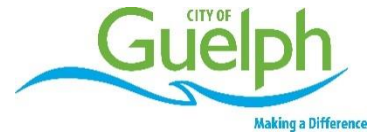


# Information Items



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## Week Ending November 22, 2019

### Reports

1. Ministry of Transportation Connecting Links Program 2020-2021, York Road Reconstruction from Ontario Street to Stevenson Street

### Intergovernmental Consultations

1. Bill 132, Better for People, Smarter for Business Act, 2019 – Proposals on the Environmental Registry
2. Building Code Services Transformation
3. Paramedic Services Consultation RE: Discussion Paper: Emergency Health Services Modernization

### Correspondence

1. Grand River Conservation Authority RE: Summary of the General Membership - November 22, 2019
2. Town of Witchurch-Stouffville RE: Resolution - Ban of Single-Use Disposable Wipes

### Boars and Committees

1. None

### Items Available in the Clerk's Office

1. None

# Information Report

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Service Area	Infrastructure, Development and Enterprise Services
Date	Friday, November 22, 2019
Subject	<b>Ministry of Transportation Connecting Links Program 2020-2021, York Road Reconstruction from Ontario Street to Stevenson Street</b>
Report Number	IDE-2019-126

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## Executive Summary

### Purpose of Report

This report provides information regarding the City's grant application for the Ontario Ministry of Transportation's (MTO) Connecting Links Program for the reconstruction of York Road from Ontario Street to Stevenson Street.

### Key Findings

Staff will be submitting an application for the Ontario Ministry of Transportation's Connecting Links Program by November 22, 2019. The proposed project for Connecting Links funding is the reconstruction of York Road from Ontario Street to Stevenson Street, which will begin in April 2020.

Council had previously authorized staff to submit an application for the 2019-2020 Connecting Links Program funding through Report IDE-2019-64 but the City was not successful in receiving funding through that application. Consequently, the City is applying again for this next round of the funding program.

In addition to detailed project information and costing, the application must include a council resolution and bylaw declaring that:

- The submitted Application meets the requirements of MTO's Connecting Links Program as described in the Program Guide;
- A comprehensive Asset Management Plan including connecting links has been completed and publically posted;
- The municipality will comply with the conditions that apply to designated connecting links under the Highway Traffic Act to ensure the safe and efficient movement of provincial traffic; and
- The Application is complete and factually accurate.

Accordingly, the application will include the Council Resolution resulting from staff report IDE-2019-64.

## **Financial Implications**

MTO will provide funding for up to 90% of total eligible project costs. The maximum amount of funding for eligible costs is \$3,000,000 per project.

The applicant is required to contribute the remaining 10% of eligible project costs and pay for all ineligible project costs.

Currently, funding for the reconstruction of York Road from Ontario Street to Stevenson Street is included in the 2020 Capital Budget Forecast. Should the funding application be successful, funding from the program would enable the reallocation of funds to other capital reconstruction projects.

## **Report**

### **Details**

The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) is currently accepting applications for the 2020-2021 Connecting Links Program. City staff have identified the reconstruction of York Road from Ontario Street to Stevenson Street as an appropriate and timely project for the Connecting Links Program and an application for submission by November 22, 2019 has been prepared.

Council had previously authorized staff to submit an application for the 2019-2020 Connecting Links Program funding through Report IDE-2019-64 but the City was not successful in receiving funding through that application. Consequently, the City is applying again for this next round of the funding program.

The reconstruction of York Road from Ontario Street to Stevenson Street will implement a stage of the approved 2007 Municipal Class Environmental Assessment for York Road from Wyndham Street to the east city limit. The project involves the full reconstruction of the street including replacement of underground infrastructure (storm sewers, sanitary sewers, watermains, services and appurtenances). The road work will consist of the replacement of curb and gutter and sidewalks and inclusion of bicycle lanes which is consistent with the City's Cycling Master Plan. The pavement structure will be upgraded for the truck and bus traffic as York Road is part of the City's Permissive Truck Route and is a transit route. The integration of water and wastewater infrastructure replacement work will facilitate the long term lifecycle of the road work and pavement structure by not having to replace this underground infrastructure during the pavement lifecycle.

The project construction will commence in April 2020.

The City's application clearly demonstrates that the York Road reconstruction project meets all requirements of the Connecting Links Project. Further, the City will comply with the conditions identified in both the application and the policies for Connecting Links.

In addition to detailed project information and costing, the application must include a Council Resolution and bylaw declaring that:

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- The Application is complete and factually accurate.

Accordingly, the application will include the previous Council Resolution resulting from staff report IDE-2019-64 that states:

1. That Council authorize staff to submit an application to the Ministry of Transportation with respect to the Connecting Links Program for the reconstruction of York Road from Ontario Street to Stevenson Street.
2. That Council authorize staff to confirm to the Ministry of Transportation the following:
  - i. The submitted Application meets the requirements of MTO's Connecting Links Program as described in the Program Guide;
  - ii. A comprehensive Asset Management Plan including connecting links has been completed and publically posted;
  - iii. The municipality will comply with the conditions that apply to designated connecting links under the Highway Traffic Act to ensure the safe and efficient movement of provincial traffic; and
  - iv. The Application is complete and factually accurate.

Upon receipt of notification from MTO regarding the outcome of the application review process, City staff will update Council and provide next steps through an Information Report.

### **Financial Implications**

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### **Consultations**

N/A

### **Strategic Plan Alignment**

#### **Priority**

Building our Future

**Direction**

Maintaining existing community assets and securing new ones

**Alignment**

This report aligns with our Strategic Plan priorities because we are applying for provincial government funding to help us improve the safety, efficiency and connectivity of our existing transportation system.

**Attachments**

N/A

**Departmental Approval**

Tara Baker, Finance

**Report Author**

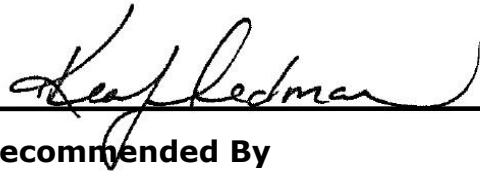
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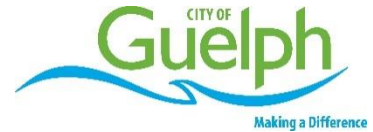
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Provincial/Federal Consultation Alert							
Title	Ministry	Consultation Deadline	Summary	Proposed Form of Input	Rationale	Lead	Link to Ministry Website
Bill 132, Better for People, Smarter for Business Act, 2019 – Proposals on the Environmental Registry	Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade; Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks; and Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry	November 27th	<p>The provincial government is seeking public input on Bill 132 via the Environmental Registry. The posting contains links to numerous related regulatory proposals also linked to Bill 132 that focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Mining Act</i> related Closure Plan Amendments</li> <li>- Amendments to the <i>Pesticides Act</i></li> <li>- Changing the Mandate of the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority</li> <li>- Holding Polluters Accountable by Expanding the use of Administrative Monetary Penalties for Environmental Contraventions</li> <li>- Repealing Section 172 of the <i>Environmental Protection Act</i></li> <li>- Transfer of Motor Vehicle Provisions from the <i>Environmental Protection Act</i> to the <i>Highway Traffic Act</i></li> <li>- Waterpower Exemption from Permits to Take Water</li> <li>- Amendments to Three Statutes administered by the MNR to support Bill 132 and a proposal for a new regulation under the <i>Lakes and Rivers Improvement Act</i>.</li> </ul>	<p>That the City of Guelph make a formal submission to the overarching regulatory posting on Bill 132 cc'ing the Ministry contacts for the underlying consultation processes. The City will focus on key proposals of interest to the municipality, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the mandate of RPRA</li> <li>- Administrative monetary penalties and the relaunch of the Ontario Community Environment Fund program</li> <li>- the repeal of Section 172 of the <i>Environmental Protection Act</i>; and</li> <li>- Waterpower Exemption from Permits to Take Water.</li> </ul>	Environment Services will review these regulatory proposals and provide comments to advance the City of Guelph's interests.	Environmental Services	<a href="https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-0774">https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-0774</a>

Provincial/Federal Consultation Alert							
Title	Ministry	Consultation Deadline	Summary	Proposed Form of Input	Rationale	Lead	Link to Ministry Website
Building Code Services Transformation	Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing	November 25, 2019.	<p>The provincial government has heard from stakeholders about the need for better, modern, and timely services to support the building sector's ability to understand and apply building code requirements. To do this, the ministry is proposing to establish a new administrative authority to deliver a suite of enhanced and new user-driven services. Modernized service delivery will ensure that the sector has the supports it needs to continue growing Ontario's economy, while protecting public health and safety.</p> <p>Feedback will help inform enhancements to current building code services and the development of new services, which would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• strengthen public safety</li> <li>• streamline customer service and approval processes</li> <li>• deliver sector-driven services</li> <li>• provide timely and modern tools and products</li> <li>• promote consistency across the province</li> <li>• enhance integrity in the system</li> </ul>	Written comments submitted to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing	<p>The City of Guelph, Building Services has concerns related to public safety, conflict of interest and staffing impacts with regards to the proposed certified professionals.</p> <p>Building Services is supportive of the assistance proposed to recruit experienced building code professionals and the consistent application of code requirements across the Province as well as requiring coordinating professionals.</p> <p>The proposals will be reviewed in more detail and written comments provided.</p>	Planning & Building Services	<a href="https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-0422">https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-0422</a>

# Provincial and Federal Consultation Alert



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## Discussion Paper: Emergency Health Services Modernization

### Ministry

Ontario's Ministry of Health

### Consultation Deadline

10 February 2020

### Summary

The Ministry of Health is holding consultations on modernizing municipal land ambulance services. A discussion paper has been posted online alongside a survey that is open for public input.

### Proposed Form of Input

That the City of Guelph respond to the Ministry's discussion paper survey, write a letter to Municipal Advisor Jim Pine and prepare to participate in in-person consultations should a session be held in the region.

### Rationale

Any provincial reforms arising from the consultation will have a direct impact on the finances and operations of Guelph-Wellington Paramedic Services.

### Lead

Public Services - Guelph Wellington Paramedic Services

### Link to Ministry Website

[http://health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/phehs\\_consultations/docs/dp\\_emergency\\_health\\_services\\_modernization.pdf](http://health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/phehs_consultations/docs/dp_emergency_health_services_modernization.pdf)

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## Grand River Conservation Authority

Summary of the General Membership Meeting – November 22, 2019

To GRCA/GRCF Board and Grand River watershed municipalities - Please share as appropriate.

### Action Items

The Board approved the resolutions in the following reports as presented in the agenda:

- GM-11-19-116 - Financial Summary
- GM-11-19-112 - Reserves 2019
- GM-11-19-113 - 2020 Permit, Planning and Inquiry Fee Schedule
- GM-11-19-111 - 2020 Outdoor Education Fees
- GM-11-19-109 - 2020 Conservation Area User Fees
- GM-11-19-105 - Upper Cedar Creek Scoped Watershed Study
- GM-11-19-C14 - Non-Union Salary Adjustments January 2020 (Confidential agenda)

### Information Items

The Board received the following reports as information:

- GM-11-19-118 - Chief Administrative Officer's Report
- GM-11-19-110 - Cash and Investment Status
- GM-11-19-115 - Environmental Assessments
- GM-11-19-107 - Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines Regulation
- GM-11-19-108 - 2020 – Complimentary GRCA Membership Passes
- GM-11-19-106 - New Hamburg Flood Mitigation Study
- GM-11-19-117 - Lake Erie Surge Flood Event - October 31, 2019
- GM-11-19-114 - Current Watershed Conditions

### Correspondence

The Board received the following correspondence:

- Tony Dowling - West Montrose Covered Bridge
- Township of Southgate - Resolution 2019-709

For full information, please refer to the [November 22 Agenda Package](#). Complete agenda packages and minutes of past meetings can be viewed on our [online calendar](#). The minutes of this meeting will be posted on our online calendar following the next meeting of the General Membership scheduled on December 13, 2019.

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November 19, 2019

Justin Trudeau  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON  
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**RE: Ban of Single-Use Disposable Wipes**

Please be advised that the above-noted matter was placed before Council at its meeting held on November 5, 2019, and the following resolution was passed:

WHEREAS Single-use wipes are a \$6 billion industry and growing, and are now being advertised as a clean alternative to toilet paper that is safe to flush; and

WHEREAS Single-use wipes accumulate in the sewer system and eventually clog the sanitary sewer system, requiring significant additional repair and maintenance; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Enforcement Sewer Use Group estimates non-flushable materials cause \$259 million in annual repairs across Canada; and

WHEREAS a 2019 study released by Ryerson University tested 101 types of single-use disposable wipes and found that all of the wipes failed basic requirements of flushable products; and

WHEREAS there is no one standard for what the word “flushable” means; and

WHEREAS there is a lack of public awareness of the impact caused by non-flushable wipes being flushed down toilets and consumer education and outreach could play a large part in reducing the impact; and

WHEREAS Single-use wipes, even when properly disposed of as waste, are an inefficient and unsustainable use of resources that contribute significantly to environmental degradation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville lobby the Provincial and Federal Governments to ban single-use disposable wipes; and



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THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Premier of Ontario, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Local Members of Provincial Parliament, York Region and all Municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

Yours truly,

Kristina Soolepp, Council Coordinator  
(905) 640-1910 x 2463

- cc. Honourable Premier of Ontario,  
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Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,  
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Local Members of Provincial Parliament,  
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