

COMMITTEE AGENDA



Consolidated as of May 29, 2015

TO **Public Services Committee**

DATE Monday, June 1, 2015

LOCATION Council Chambers, Guelph City Hall, 1 Carden Street

TIME 5:00 p.m.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Public Services Committee May 4, 2015 open and closed meeting minutes

PRESENTATIONS (Items with no accompanying report)

Blue Dot Guelph – Mackenzie Ross, Sarah De Vries, Cara Livingston and Valerie Freemantle

CONSENT AGENDA

The following resolutions have been prepared to facilitate the Committee's consideration of the various matters and are suggested for consideration. If the Committee wishes to address a specific report in isolation of the Consent Agenda, please identify the item. The item will be extracted and dealt with separately. The balance of the Public Services Committee Consent Agenda will be approved in one resolution.

ITEM	CITY PRESENTATION	DELEGATIONS	TO BE EXTRACTED
PS-2015-17 2014 Land Ambulance Ministry of Health Service Review	Stephen Dewar, EMS Chief		✓
PS-2015-18 South End Community Centre – Request for Expressions of Interest			
PS-2015-19 Outstanding Resolutions of the Public Services Committee			

Resolution to adopt the balance of the Public Services Committee Consent Agenda.

ITEMS EXTRACTED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

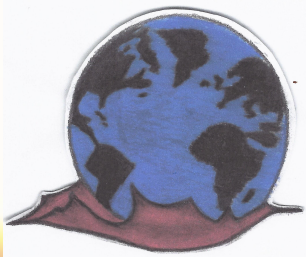
Once extracted items are identified, they will be dealt with in the following order:

- 1) delegations (may include presentations)
- 2) staff presentations only
- 3) all others.

STAFF UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURN

NEXT MEETING - Monday, July 6, 2015



BLUE DOT GUELPH






THE BLUE DOT MOVEMENT

The Blue Dot movement calls upon local communities to sign declarations respecting people's right to live in a healthy environment – *clean air, clean water, and clean soils* for healthy food.

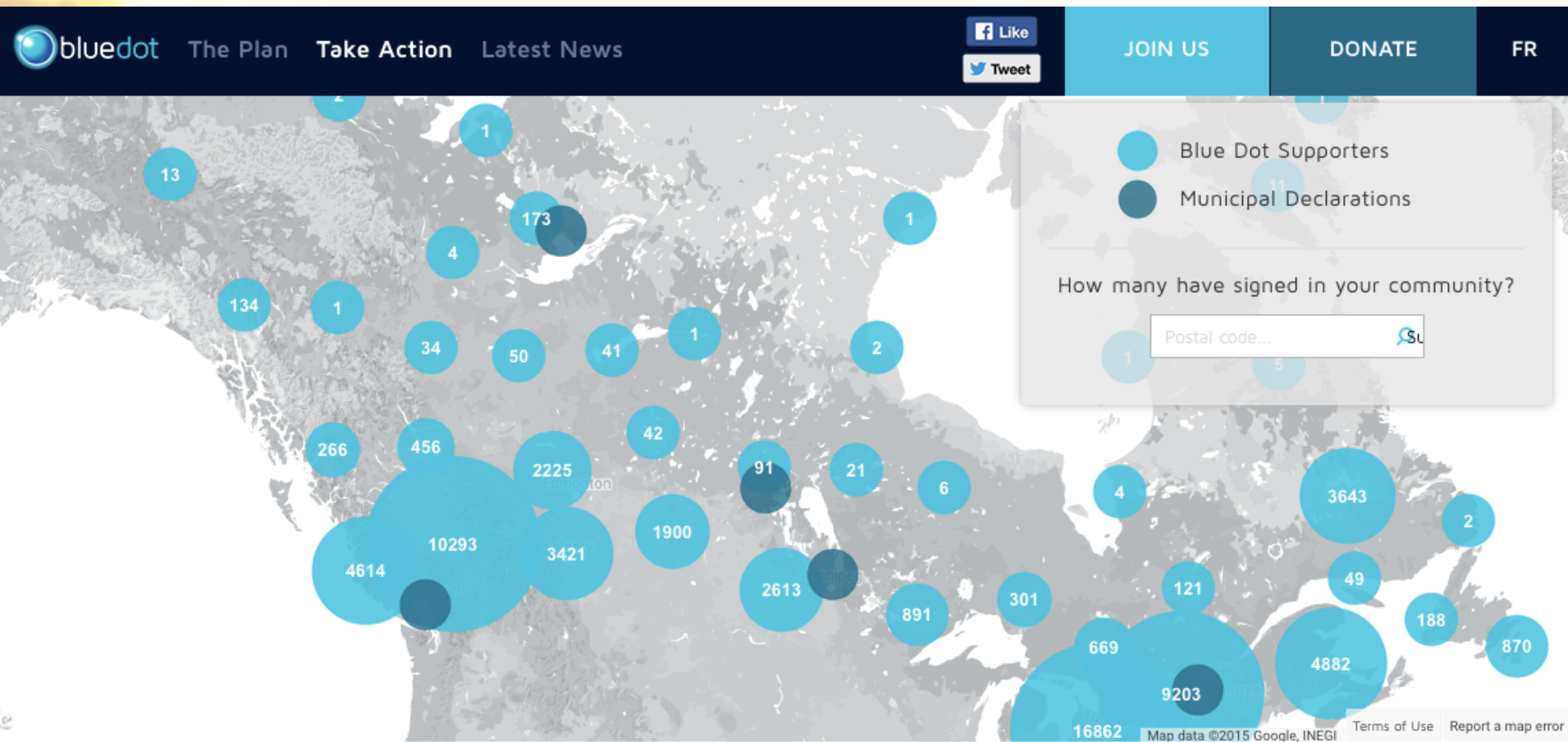
- More than 110 countries recognize the “*right to live in a healthy environment*”- but Canada is not one of them
- Blue Dot is a ‘grassroots initiative’
- Overall goal: Amend the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms
- Encouraging individuals to sign petitions agreeing with Blue Dot
- Started by the David Suzuki Foundation



BLUE DOT CITIES

CANADA	ONTARIO
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richmond, BC • The Pas, MB • Vancouver, BC • Montreal, QC • Austin, QC • Whitemouth, MB • Yellowknife, NT • Keremeos, BC • Dunnottar, MB • Victoria, BC • Duncan, BC • Ladysmith, BC • Boucherville, QC • Saanich, BC • Lytton, BC • Port Moody, BC • Central Saanich, BC • Burnaby, BC • Courtenay, BC • Saint-Bruno-de-Montarville, QC • Capital Regional District, BC • Whitehorse, YT • Port Coquitlam, BC • Tofino, BC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamilton • Kawartha Lakes • Richmond Hill • Erin • Ajax • St. Joseph • King <div data-bbox="1265 1213 1825 1392">  <p>the blue dot MOVEMENT</p> </div>

THE MOVEMENT IS GROWING



BLUE DOT GUELPH: ACTIONS

- Creating Blue Dot awareness→ social media
- Guelph Mercury Blue Dot Article
- Blue Dot Guelph online petition
- Blue Dot high school challenge
- Endorsed by Guelph Coalition



the **blue dot** MOVEMENT

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CAMPUS CHALLENGE

MARCH 7th - 14th 2015

Student Support on the University of Guelph Campus



- Collected over 700 signatures
- Support from students of all years and a variety of programs
- Endorsed by several student organizations on campus



BLUE DOT GUELPH: GOALS

- Continue spreading awareness within the city
- Start hosting local Blue Dot events
- Guelph passing a Municipal Declaration outlining the rights stated by Blue Dot
- Guelph becoming a Blue Dot city and joining the movement



A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT IN GUELPH WOULD EMBRACE...

- Clean Water
- Water Conservation
- Improved Air Quality
- Basic air quality standards
- Reduced pesticides and insecticides in soils





CITY OF DUNCAN

MUNICIPAL DECLARATION BY THE CITY OF DUNCAN

The Right to a Healthy Environment

Whereas the David Suzuki Foundation Blue Dot Tour has inspired many Canadians to request that the right to a healthy environment be enshrined in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms through support of the following motion; and

Whereas the City of Duncan understands that people are part of the environment, and that a healthy environment is inextricably linked to the well-being of our community; and

Whereas the City of Duncan's Official Community Plan (2007) and Integrated Community Sustainability Plan (2013) provide a strong policy foundation to pursue actions and initiatives that contribute toward a healthy environment; and

Therefore be it Resolved that the City of Duncan endorse the following declaration:

1. All people have the right to live in a healthy environment, including:
 - The right to breathe clean air;
 - The right to drink clean water;
 - The right to consume safe food;
 - The right to access nature;
 - The right to know about pollutants and contaminants released into the local environment;
 - The right to participate in decision-making processes that will affect the environment.
2. The City of Duncan has the responsibility, within its jurisdiction, to respect, protect, fulfill and promote these rights.



CITY OF DUNCAN

3. The City of Duncan shall apply the precautionary principle: where threats of serious or irreversible damage to human health or the environment exist, the City shall, within its jurisdictional authority, take cost-effective measures to prevent the degradation of the environment and protect the health of its citizens. Lack of full scientific certainty shall not be viewed as sufficient reason for the City to postpone such measures.
4. When the City of Duncan is evaluating reasonably foreseeable costs of proposed actions and alternatives, the City will consider costs to human health and the environment.
5. The City of Duncan shall review the objectives, targets, timelines and actions in its Integrated Community Sustainability Plan by December 31st, 2015, and evaluate progress towards fulfilling this declaration.
6. The City of Duncan shall report to its residents as part of this process.

Dated this 19th day
of January, 2015

Phil Kent, Mayor

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- Grant Linney
- Paul Gifford
- James Gordon
- Cameron Esler
- Magee Maguire



THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

WORLD COUNTRIES IN SUPPORT OF BLUE DOT

