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**SUBJECT: COUNCILLOR'S TRIP REPORT - TRAVEL TO CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE TO EXPLORE POTENTIAL WASTE SOLUTIONS FOR THE CITY OF OTTAWA**

**OBJET : RAPPORT RELATIF AU DÉPLACEMENT DU CONSEILLER – VOYAGE À CHATTANOOGA, DANS L'ÉTAT DU TENNESSEE, AFIN D'EXPLORER D'ÉVENTUELLES SOLUTIONS LIÉES À LA GESTION DES DÉCHETS, POUR LA VILLE D'OTTAWA**

## PURPOSE

(A.K.A. "Scott's Excellent Adventure to Tennessee" / « Il fait chaud au Tennessee en septembre »)

On Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, I had the opportunity to travel to Chattanooga, Tennessee to explore a potential waste solution for the City of Ottawa. In the coming months, and likely years, we will continue to get unsolicited proposals to process waste. Some will not be viable. Some will work in other jurisdictions but will not pass the regulatory requirements in Ontario. I think we need to be smart and we also need to be open to considering new opportunities and to confirm viability.

The visit to Chattanooga was the result of one such proposal that I felt was deemed worthy enough for further exploration. I was accompanied by Marilyn Journeaux, Director of Solid Waste Services, on this trip.

I brought back Krispy Kreme donuts. Unfortunately, I did not bring back enough for members of Council. My carry-on was only so big. We returned on Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019. We flew United.

## BACKGROUND

This opportunity arose through discussions with local entrepreneurs here in Ottawa that have expressed interest in being part of the solid waste solution and helping the City of Ottawa achieve the goal of no new landfill.

## DISCUSSION

On Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, we drove to the test facility for Carbon Black Global/Landaira in the quaint town of Dunlap, Tennessee. We had an opportunity to watch the process from start to finish. It was a good opportunity for us to see how they are handling a diverse waste stream but it was also a good opportunity for them to understand exactly how Ottawa differs from other areas with different regulations and waste streams.

It was evident that what they are doing works. In the weeks since our trip, communication has continued. The proponent has visited Trail Road Waste Facility to understand how we currently process waste and are working within the environmental regulatory framework with the Ministry of the Environment in Ontario.

### CONCLUSION

We will need to be creative to find the best solution for waste in our city. While reduction and diversion will remain our highest priorities, we need to find a better way to manage the rest.

Landaira presented an option that is well worth exploring further. I look forward to continuing to find solutions to handling municipal solid waste in the City of Ottawa.

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