



**Standing Committee on Environmental Protection,
Water and Waste Management**

Minutes 14

Tuesday, 16 February 2021

9:30 a.m.

Electronic Participation

This Meeting was held through electronic participation in accordance with Section 238 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* as amended by the *COVID-19 Economic Recovery Act, 2020*.

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- Notes:**
1. *Please note that the Minutes are to be considered DRAFT until confirmed by Committee.*
 2. *Underlining indicates a new or amended recommendation approved by Committee.*
 3. *Except where otherwise indicated, reports requiring Council consideration will be presented to Council on 24 February 2021 in Standing Committee on Environmental Protection, Water and Waste Management Report 14.*

Present:

Chair: Councillor S. Moffatt
Vice-Chair: Councillor S. Menard
Councillors: R. Brockington, J. Cloutier, G. Darouze, K. Egli,
A. Hubley, R. King, C. McKenney

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were filed.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes 13, of the Standing Committee on Environmental Protection, Water and Waste Management meeting of Tuesday, 15 December 2020, were confirmed.

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COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE SERVICES

1. STATUS UPDATE – STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, WATER AND WASTE MANAGEMENT – INQUIRIES AND MOTIONS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 4 FEBRUARY 2021

ACS2021-OCC-ENV-0001

CITY WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That the Standing Committee on Environmental Protection, Water and Waste Management receive this report for information.

RECEIVED

PLANNING, INFRASTRUCTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

2. RESIDENTIAL STORMWATER RETROFIT
PILOT PROGRAM: RAIN READY OTTAWA

ACS2021-PIE-EDP-0008

CITY WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Standing Committee on Environmental Protection, Water and Waste Management recommend that Council:

1. **Approve the pilot Residential Stormwater Retrofit Program as described in this report to support the objectives of the Pinecrest/Westboro and Eastern Subwatersheds Stormwater Retrofit Plans.**
2. **Delegate the authority to the General Manager of Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development or designate to implement the pilot program as outlined in this report and to execute all agreements associated with this program.**
3. **Direct staff to report back to Committee and Council in 2023 on the results of the pilot program with recommendations for a continued program.**

At the outset, the Committee heard from Ms Julia Robinson, Project Manager, Climate Change and Resiliency Section, Environmental Programs, Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development (PIED) Department, who introduced Mr. Simon Greenland-Smith, Outreach and Communications Coordinator, PIED. They spoke to a detailed slide presentation which served as an overview of the report. A copy of this presentation is held on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

Chair Moffatt made reference to the program drivers, which were the Ottawa River Action Plan (2010), the Pinecrest / Westboro Stormwater Retrofit Study (2011) and the Eastern Subwatersheds Stormwater Retrofit Study (2019).

The Committee then heard from Ms Mary Hegan, speaking on behalf of Community Associations for Environmental Sustainability (CAFES) in support of the program.

Committee questions to staff and discussions included, but were not necessarily limited to: the elements as outlined in the presentation and those addressed by the delegation; stormwater challenges and solutions; 50-year stormwater program targets; program goals, objectives and structure; design and installation incentives; industry training and the cost of home assessments, and; community engagement and program eligibility. Staff responded to additional questions about program budgeting and auditing, cost-effective solutions for stormwater management, training and certification criteria for third-party 'Fusion Landscape' professionals, future training options, the dissemination of information during the COVID pandemic and the potential for D-I-Y involvement to complement the program.

Discussions having concluded, the report recommendations were put before the Committee and were 'CARRIED', as presented.

3. LEMIEUX ISLAND WATER PURIFICATION PLANT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
- ENDORSEMENT OF AMENDMENTS TO THE MISSISSIPPI-RIDEAU
SOURCE PROTECTION PLAN

ACS2021-PIE-IS-0002

CITY WIDE

REPORT RECOMMENDATION

That the Standing Committee on Environmental Protection, Water and Waste Management recommend that Council approve the new water intake for the Lemieux Island Water Purification Plant as described in this report

and carry the resolution provided in Document 3 regarding the endorsement of amendments to the Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Plan, required pursuant to Section 34 of the Clean Water Act, to include the new intake for the Lemieux Island Water Purification Plant.

The Committee received a slide presentation overview of the report from Ms Tessa Di Iorio, Risk Management Official and Hydrogeologist, Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development (PIED) Department. A copy of this presentation is held on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

Mr. Paul Montgomery, Plant Manager, Water Purification, Public Works and Environmental Services (PWES) Department, Ms Marilyn Journeaux, Director, Water Services, PWES and Ms Carina Duclos, Director, Infrastructure Services, PIED, were also present to respond to questions.

Committee questions to staff, and discussions related to Drinking Water Source Protection and the Source Protection Plan Amendment for the new intake at Lemieux Island included, but were not necessarily limited to: matters of jurisdiction and potential safety implications of having the new intake situated on the Quebec side of the interprovincial border; whether there were assurances that the Province of Québec would safeguard access for maintenance; questions with respect to provincial and federal regulations and agreements; the experience of other municipalities drawing on the Ottawa River for their drinking water; concerns regarding the proposed construction of a radioactive waste mound at the Chalk River Laboratories nuclear research facility, and; potential long-term risks.

Ms Di Iorio and Ms Duclos said that staff would follow up on questions regarding project details and protection policy matters that could not be answered at the present time, and would provide a future update speaking to relevant permit and agreements processes.

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PROTECTION STATUS UPDATE - 2020

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 am.

Committee Coordinator

Chair