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## **Environmental Action Committee**

### **Date**

2017/12/05

### **Time**

10:10 AM

### **Location**

Civic Centre, Committee Room A - Second Floor,  
300 Civic Centre Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, L5B 3C1

### **Members Present**

Councillor Matt Mahoney, Ward 8 (Chair)  
Councillor George Carlson, Ward 11 (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor Jim Tovey, Ward 1  
Andrew Roblin, Citizen Member  
Andrea Dawber, Ecosource  
Lea Ann Mallett, Citizen Member  
Minal Waqar, University of Toronto Mississauga

### **Members Absent**

Brad Bass, Citizen Member  
Chelsea Dalton, Citizen Member  
Melanie Kramer, Credit Valley Conservation  
Sheila Storey, Sawmill Sid Inc.  
Pujita Verma, Peel Environmental Youth Alliance

### **Staff Present**

Michael Cleland, Director, Environment  
Mary Bracken, Supervisor, Environmental Initiatives  
Christopher Pyke, Supervisor, Waste Management  
Diana Suzuki-Bracewell, Environmental Outreach Coordinator  
Andrea J. McLeod, Supervisor, Environmental Outreach  
Lisa Urbani, Environmental Research Assistant  
Trish Sarnicki, Legislative Coordinator, Legislative Services

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** – 10:10 a.m.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Approved (A. Roblin)

3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST** – Nil.

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

4.1. Environmental Action Committee Minutes - November 7, 2017

Approved (Councillor Carlson)

5. **DEPUTATIONS**

5.1. Jon Joyce, MBTW Group spoke regarding the Paul Coffey Park Master Plan

Mr. Joyce provided an overview of the Paul Coffey Park Master Plan, and spoke to the project context, design framework, conceptual approaches and key environmental considerations. Mr. Joyce explained the preferred master plan and spoke to preliminary recommendations which include, but are not limited to: a long term strategy for the protection and enhancement of biological diversity within the park, continued restoration planting and invasive species management, habitat creation, altering the creek to prevent flooding, stormwater quality and quantity controls, low impact development strategies, preserving and enhancing the natural features of the park, integrated interpretative and educational signage, and designing the park space to accommodate a range of programming and engagement opportunities. Mr. Joyce noted that there had been an extensive public engagement program in preparing the Master Plan.

Questions from Committee members arose regarding the following:

- water filling stations;
- the size of the park;
- whether there is a Lacrosse box;
- whether Toronto Regional Conservation Authority (TRCA) had been consulted with regard to creek rehabilitations;
- an update on the flood plain;
- inquiring on the state of the north and south of the creek watershed;
- whether soil samples have been taken and checked for contaminants;
- the possibility of a pedestrian and cycling bridge in the north end of the park;
- and whether the trail system connects to Mimico Creek.

Mr. Joyce responded that each picnic station will have a shade structure, power, and water filling station, with an area for cooking. Mr. Joyce noted that the park is 113 acres, and does not have a Lacrosse box. Further, Mr. Joyce added that the TRCA's modelling is being used for the creek rehabilitations, and that flood plain mapping was updated 3

weeks ago. Mr. Joyce continued that there is an overview of the area and watershed but no detailed updates or studies, with the master plan process not looking into great detail but providing an overview. However, Mr. Joyce explained that the bioswale along the backside means that water that runs off from that area can go through a treatment process. Mr. Joyce elaborated that the City undertook an environmental assessment for the site and discovered jet engine contaminant had been found in some of the area, and that the report can be shared with the Committee, if requested. Mr. Joyce added that it is possible to install a pedestrian and cycling bridge north of the park but that some concern regarding geomorphology and pedestrian safety indicate that an overpass may be the best approach. Lastly, Mr. Joyce indicated that there are some concerns with connecting the area, as it does not really connect to anything except industrial areas, and that it is not a paved surface, constrained by banks and slopes. Mr. Joyce added that perhaps a larger City-wide pedestrian corridor study could be considered to investigate the issue.

Councillor Mahoney, Chair inquired whether the Paul Coffey Park Master Plan would go to General Committee on March 15, 2018, with Mr. Joyce confirming that is the expected timeline.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the deputation and associated presentation by Jon Joyce, MBTW Group with respect to the Paul Coffey Park Master Plan be received.

Received (A. Dawber)

Recommendation EAC-0054-2017

5.2. Diana Suzuki-Bracewell, Supervisor, Environmental Outreach spoke regarding the 2017 Environment Outreach Wrap-up

Ms. Suzuki-Bracewell provided an overview of the 2017 Environmental Outreach Wrap-up and spoke to the Community Outreach Program, noting a variety of events and volunteer programs, earth markets and a community environmental appreciation evening. Ms. Suzuki-Bracewell explained that 62 events of varying size occurred across the city in 2017 and spoke to the earth market partnership with students at the University of Toronto at Mississauga, as well as the earth market event at Celebration Square. Ms. Suzuki-Bracewell added that the environmental appreciation evening was an effort to recognize the volunteer work of community groups and individuals in Environment and Forestry. Ms. Suzuki-Bracewell also spoke to the Internal Outreach Program, noting the Green Leaders program, waste audits, energy walkthroughs, and 2018 program expansion. Ms. Suzuki-Bracewell discussed the Green Leaders program, which focuses on detailed waste audits and energy conservation efforts, and shared a video entitled "Why I became a Green Leader." Lastly, Ms. Suzuki-Bracewell discussed the focus for community outreach and Green Leaders program in 2018.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That the deputation and associated presentation by Diana Suzuki-Bracewell, Environmental Outreach Coordinator with respect to the 2017 Environment Outreach Wrap-up be received.

Received (A. Roblin)  
Recommendation EAC-0055-2017

5.3. Diane Gibson, Waste Diversion Assistant regarding Waste Diversion Annual Overview

Item 5.3 was not considered, and was deferred to the next meeting of the Environmental Action Committee.

5.4. Julius Lindsay, Climate Change Specialist regarding the Climate Change Project Engagement Strategy

Item 5.4 was not considered, and was deferred to the next meeting of the Environmental Action Committee.

5.5. Jayne Wilkinson, Assistant Curator, Blackwood Gallery at UTM spoke regarding Blackwood Gallery at UTM/Temporary Public Art and Climate Change Project entitled "The Work of Wind: Air, Land, Sea"

Ms. Wilkinson provided an overview of the partnership of the Blackwood Gallery with the City of Mississauga, noting that the purpose of the project is a longer term engagement that will encourage citizens to talk about environmental and social issues on community and global levels. Ms. Wilkinson explained that 6 broadsheet publications will be distributed across the city and test runs will take place at museums and galleries across the Greater Toronto Area. Ms. Wilkinson spoke to the 13 components of the exhibition, explaining that the project is based on the Beaufort scale of wind force, with each component expressing the increasing intensity of the scale. Ms. Wilkinson noted that the preliminary site plans include publications, screenings, and artist talks in advance of the exhibits and that the exhibition sites will include City Hall, University of Toronto at Mississauga campus, and the Southdown industrial area.

In response to questions from Councillor Tovey, Ms. Wilkinson responded that Christine Shaw, Director and Curator, Blackwood Gallery undertakes curatorial research by visiting artists and researching their works, and sought a wide representation of artists with a diversity of viewpoints. Ms. Wilkinson added that the Beaufort scale of wind force is helpful in having people literally orient themselves with the exhibition. Further, Ms. Wilkinson noted that the project did not have open submissions as the idea was to have new commissions that fit to scale. Lastly, Ms. Wilkinson explained that the hurricane wall piece was created by a group of Cuban artists named Los Carpinteros, and that she would be glad to provide the Committee with further information about the artists if requested.

RECOMMENDATION

That the deputation and associated presentation by Jayne Wilkinson, Assistant Curator, Blackwood Gallery at UTM with respect to the Blackwood Gallery at UTM/Temporary Public Art and Climate Change Project entitled "The Work of Wind: Air, Land, Sea" be received.

Received (Councillor Tovey)  
Recommendation EAC-0058-2017

6. **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

No members of the public requested to speak.

7. **MATTERS CONSIDERED**

7.1. Environmental Action Committee Work Plan

No discussion took place on this item.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Environmental Action Committee Work Plan be approved as discussed at the December 5, 2017 meeting of the Environmental Action Committee.

Received (M. Waqar)  
Recommendation EAC-0059-2017

7.2. EAC Environmental Actions Summary

No discussion took place on this item.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the EAC Environmental Actions Summary be approved, as amended, as discussed at the December 5, 2017 meeting of the Environmental Action Committee.

Received (L. Mallett )  
Recommendation EAC-0060-2017

8. **OTHER BUSINESS** – Nil.

9. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – Tuesday, February 13, 2018 - 9:30 AM,  
Committee Room A

10. **ADJOURNMENT** – 11:14 a.m.