

ITEM - 21 407 TRANSITWAY - ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT REPORT
MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION
CITY WIDE

MOVED by Councillor Yeung Racco
seconded by Regional Councillor Rosati

THAT Item 21, Committee of the Whole Report No. 7 be adopted and amended, as follows:

By approving that the resolution contained in Clause 1 of the Committee of the Whole recommendation be replaced with the following Member's Resolution submitted by Councillor Racco and Regional Councillor Schulte:

Whereas, the Ministry of Transportation has completed the Environmental Project Report for the 407 Transitway; and

Whereas, the Environmental Project Report recommends that the proposed 407 Transitway GO Barrie (Concord) Station be located on a parcel of land encompassed by the Go Transit Railway line to the west; Highway #7 to the north, Highway #407 to the south and the Don River Valley corridor to the east; and

Whereas, under the new Official Plan, the lands encompassing the station site are designated as a local centre and community areas on the City's Urban Structure Plan and further designated mid-rise, mixed use on the Land Use Plan; and

Whereas, the north part of the Station site is within the Concord Centre area which will be subject to the preparation of a future Secondary Plan; and

Whereas, Councillor Racco submitted a letter of submission identifying concerns regarding the 407 Transitway Environmental Project Report within the prescribed timeframe; and

Whereas, Regional Councillor Schulte submitted a letter of submission identifying concerns regarding the 407 Transitway Environmental Project Report within the prescribed timeframe; and

Whereas, the Concord West Residents Ad Hoc Committee, the Concord West Seniors Club and the Concord West Ratepayers' Association, representing the residents in the area raised a number of concerns and submitted a letter of objection regarding the 407 Transitway Environmental Project Report within the prescribed timeframe; and

Whereas, the Region of York's Planning & Development Services Department submitted a letter of submission regarding the 407 Transitway Environmental Project Report with the prescribed timeframe; and

Be it therefore resolved that the Province of Ontario, through the Ministry of Transportation, be requested to evaluate and assess the proposed "Alternative Plan" brought forward by the Concord West community that places the core of the intermodal 407 Transitway GO Barrie (Concord) Station and Viva hub on the north side of Highway #7; and

That Council request the Mayor to ask for a deferral by the Minister of Transportation and the Minister of Environment with regards to the final decision of the 407 Transitway Environmental Project Report (EPR) until after evaluating fully the "Alternative Plan" brought forward by the Concord West community; and

That the City of Vaughan hereby requests the Province of Ontario, through the

various affected Ministries, to work with staff at the City of Vaughan and the Region of York, together with the area residents, during the future Secondary Plan process, to address all concerns raised and amend the Environmental Project Report as necessary; and

That the Province of Ontario be requested to transfer the green space on the south side of Highway #7 to the Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) for the enhancement of the Natural Heritage System by increasing green space adjacent to important valley land corridors (Don River/Bartley Smith Greenway) and for the purpose of addressing the residents' request to preserve the green space and provide a safe passage and access to the green space for the community; and

That a copy of this resolution, along with all submissions from the Concord West Residents Ad Hoc Committee, the Concord West Ratepayers' Association, the Concord West Seniors Club, and that of Councillor Racco, Regional Councillor Schulte, the Region of York and any other parties be forwarded to the Premier's Office, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Environment, Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Natural Resources, the 407 Transitway Project Manager, the Region of York, Metrolinx, the Ontario Realty Corporation, the Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), the Town of Richmond Hill and the Town of Markham;

By receiving the memorandum from Councillor Yeung Racco, C6, dated February 10, 2011; and

By receiving the communication from Dr. P. Correa, C9, dated February 13, 2011.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY UPON A RECORDED VOTE

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Regional Councillor Rosati
Councillor Iafrate
Mayor Bevilacqua
Councillor Shefman
Regional Councillor Di Biase
Regional Councillor Schulte
Councillor DeFrancesca
Councillor Racco
Councillor Carella

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED SESSION) REPORT NO. 8

(Refer to Committee Report for complete recommendations and documentation on all Committee items.)

ITEM - 1 PROPERTY MATTER - WARD 2
 ROGERS TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER LEASE
 AL PALLADINI COMMUNITY CENTRE

MOVED by Councillor Carella
seconded by Regional Councillor Di Biase

That this matter be reconsidered.

CARRIED