

AGENDA
and Schedule "A"
to the minutes of the meeting of the
WINDSOR-ESSEX COUNTY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Thursday, October 13, 2011
Meeting at 5:30 o'clock p.m.
At YOG WINDSOR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
- 3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT**
- 4. MINUTES

Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held September 1, 2011 – (e-mailed separately)

- 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
  - 5.1 Enviro Expo
  - 5.2 2011 Provincial Environmental Advisory Committee Symposium
  - 5.3 Regional Integrated Community Sustainability Plan

BOARD ROOM

- 5.4 Speaker Series verbal update RE: a future meeting date with Elizabeth May Leader, Green Party of Canada
- 6. <u>COORDINATORS REPORT</u>
  - 6.1 WECEC Coordinator Monthly Report
- 7. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS
  - 7.1 Air
  - 7.2 Transportation attached.
  - 7.3 Provincially Significant Wetlands *attached*.

#### 8. **NEW BUSINESS**

- 8.1 Invitation to the Executive Director Parks and Facilities to provide information relating to the Family Aquatics and Library Complex.
- 8.2 Windsor Environmental Attitude Survey
- 8.3 Detroit Incinerator

#### 9. <u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>

- 10.1 Report of the City Engineer dated September 15, 2011 entitled "Comments on the WECEC Recommendation to Committee Report No. 57" <u>attached.</u>
- 10.2 Windsor Star article dated September 27, 2011 entitled "Canada a breath of fresh air: Who High ranking on smog scale"- <u>attached.</u>

#### 10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next WECEC meeting will be held on Thursday, November 3, 2011 at 5:30 o'clock p.m. in the YQG Windsor Airport Board Room.

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

# THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WINDSOR Environment & Transportation Standing Committee - Administrative Report



#### MISSION STATEMENT:

"The City of Windsor, with the involvement of its citizens, will deliver effective and responsive municipal services, and will mobilize innovative community parinerships"

LiveLink REPORT #: 15517 EI2011	Report Date: September 15, 2011 (#3171		
Author's Name: Mario Sonego, P. Eng.	Date to Standing Committee: Sept. 28, 2011		
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TO:	Environment and	Transportation	Standing	Committee

SUBJECT: Comments on the WECEC Recommendation to Committee - Report No. 57

## 1. RECOMMENDATION: City Wide: Ward(s): 8

That the attached recommendation of the WECEC Committee, Report No. 57, BE ACCEPTED AS INFORMATION for consideration of Administration within the Airport Master Plan and future Capital Works Budgets.

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: N/A

## 2. BACKGROUND:

At the July 7, 2011 Windsor-Essex County Environment Committee (WECEC), the Committee forwarded the attached recommendation for consideration at this evening's Transportation and Environment Committee meeting.

## 3. DISCUSSION:

Upon reviewing the recommendation, it is noted that the Airport Master Plan has included these comments for consideration and the woodlot and the 120 metre buffer are areas in the Master Plan.

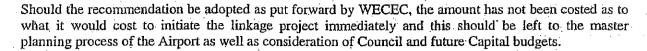
The resolution states "BE IT RESOLVED, that City Council and the Corporation initiate a linkage project for the three airport woodlots with the identified 120 meter buffer as shown on pg 8.1 of the airport master plan."

This item should be left to future Capital budgets and hence the recommendation in this report.

Furthermore, the recommendation of WECEC indicates "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lauzon Parkway environmental assessment (EA) recognizes and assesses the St. Louis woodlot for PSW status."

This request may be beyond the mandate of the Lauzon Parkway Environmental Assessment Study and as such, this item should be forwarded to those undertaking the Lauzon Parkway Assessment Study for their consideration should it be within the scope.

## 4. FINANCIAL MATTERS:



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## 5. **CONSULTATIONS**:

N/A

### 6. CONCLUSION:

It is more appropriate that the resolution Report No. 57 of WECEC be accepted as information for consideration through the Airport Master Plan and the future Capital Works budget and the ongoing Environmental Assessment for Lauzon Parkway.

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Environmental Protection and Transportation

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APPENDICES: Report No. 57 of the Windsor-Essex County Environment Committee (WECEC)

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## Canada a breath of fresh air: Who

## High ranking on smog scale

POSTMEDIA NEWS SEPTEMBER 27, 2011

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A new World Health Organization database on air quality places Canada as one of the world's top nations when it comes to clean air, but an expert says that despite this country's high scores, the air Canadians breathe will still cause health issues for thousands.

On Monday, the international public health authority launched its first Air Quality database, which covers almost 1,100 cities in 91 countries, revealing the world's "hot spots" for air pollution as well as regions with the highest health burden due to poor air quality.

Data on particulate matter, a kind of air pollution that results in particles floating in the air, were compiled from national records, websites and scientific articles to create the database. Compared to 90 other countries, Canada tied for third with Australia following Estonia and Mauritius in a ranking that looked at how many air pollutant particles were recorded in a cubic metre of air in each country.

"Canada did indeed score very well, which shows Canada has been taking good action over the years," said Annette Pruss-Ustun, a scientist in the WHO's public health and environment department.

However, Pruss-Ustun said even the smallest amounts of particulate matter in the air can affect someone's health.

The WHO estimates that 1.3 million people - with more than half of them in developing countries - die every year from outdoor air pollution.

The database looked at two sizes of particles - those that had a diameter of less than 2.5 microns (or PM2.5) and their bigger, less hazardous counterparts, which were at least 10 micrometres large (PM10). The individual particles aren't visible - a 10-micrometre-wide particle is easily 50 to 100 times thinner than a strand of human hair.

Sarnia, Ont., surrounded by factories in a region that also shares a border with Michigan, topped the Canadian list with the most particulate matter per cubic metre of air.

The southwestern Ontario city documented 12.7 micrograms of PM2.5 particles per cubic metre of air, which was on par with population-dense New York and was just 0.4 fewer than Madrid and London.

Montreal, with 11.2 PM2.5 and Windsor, at 10.1, trailed Sarnia while Canada's biggest city, Toronto, recorded 7.9 PM2.5 in the air, almost twice as much air pollution as Metro Vancouver. Still, the Canadian rankings were impressive: the country held nine of the 10 slots of the cities with the least

particulate matter polluting the air with Whitehorse, Nanaimo, B.C., and Fredericton, on the list.

Most outdoor air pollution is man-made, coming from such sources as cars, furnaces and wood stoves, emissions from factories and coal-fired power plants.

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