

REPORT NO. 87
of the
WINDSOR-ESSEX COUNTY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE (WECEC)
of its meeting held
July 10, 2014
at 5:30 o'clock p.m.
Board Room, Windsor International Airport

Members present at the July 10, 2014 meeting:

Councillor Alan Halberstadt, Co-Chair
Charlie Wright, Co-Chair
Frank Butler (alternate)
Derek Coronado
Rick Coronado
Roger Dzugan
Jesse Gardner Costa
Paul Henshaw
Mike Nelson
Phil Roberts (alternate non-voting)
Tamara Stomp
Radwan Tamr

Your Committee submits the following recommendation:

Moved by C. Wright, seconded by T. Stomp,

WHEREAS rain gardens are designed to absorb runoff from impervious urban areas diverting it from storm drains or combined sewers therefore recharging groundwater, diverting stormwater from municipal infrastructure and reducing polluted runoff into the local water bodies; and

WHEREAS rain gardens constructed with native plants improve biodiversity and provide food for pollinators; and

WHEREAS the Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA) has already begun working with member municipalities to create rain gardens at various locations including Harrow, Leamington, and Windsor; and

WHEREAS ERCA staff will provide expertise to design and build a rain garden and help monitor its effectiveness;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that every Windsor and Essex County member municipality strive to complete a demonstration rain garden by the end of 2015 in partnership with the Essex Region Conservation Authority.

Carried.

COUNCILLOR HALBERSTADT , CO-CHAIR

COMMITTEE COORDINATOR

**Windsor Essex County Environment Committee
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August 27, 2014

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