

REPORT NO. 4 of the
ENVIRONMENT & TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE
of its meeting held May 25, 2011

Present: Councillor Halberstadt
Councillor Sleiman
Councillor Valentinis

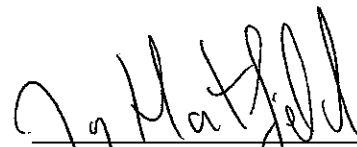
Absent: Councillor Hatfield
Councillor Payne

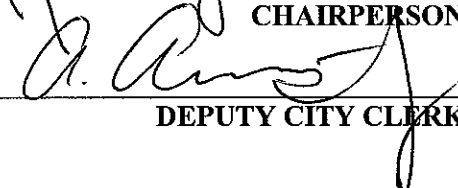
That the following recommendations of the Environment and Transportation Standing Committee **BE APPROVED:**

Moved by Councillor Valentinis, seconded by Councillor Sleiman,
That Council **APPROVE** the transfer of capital funds in the amount of
\$10,000.00 in order to participate in the Detroit River Shoreline Assessment Study, from
project # 7082010 - Prado Place - Riverside to Wyandotte.

Carried.

NOTE: The report of the Senior Manager, Infrastructure and Transportation
Planning/Deputy City Engineer dated April 29, 2011 entitled "Detroit River -- Shoreline
Assessment" is attached.



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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 partnerships"

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To: Environment & Transportation Standing Committee

Subject: Detroit River - Shoreline Assessment

1. RECOMMENDATION: City Wide: _____ Ward(s): 1 - 7

That Council **APPROVE** the transfer of capital funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 in order to participate in the Detroit River Shoreline Assessment Study, from project # 7082010 - Prado Place - Riverside to Wyandotte.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

N/A

2. BACKGROUND:

The Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA) has submitted a request seeking assistance in funding a shoreline assessment of the Detroit River. The request is attached as Appendix A.

3. DISCUSSION:

The focus of this study will be two-fold. First to conduct an inventory of the shoreline along the watercourse, including structural conditions and possible recommended improvements. Second, to consider any potential habitat restoration opportunities. The study is expected to be conducted throughout the spring, summer, and fall 2011.

4. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

As per the letter dated March 24, 2011 (attached as Appendix A) ERCA is currently in the process of seeking funding for study of shoreline assessment of the Detroit River from upper levels of government, as well as other municipalities that abut the Detroit River. The total estimated cost for this study is \$120,000. ERCA is requesting assistance from the City of Windsor in the amount of \$10,000.

It is proposed that the City's contribution to this study be funded from the surplus in project # 7082010 - Prado Place - Riverside to Wyandotte. This project is complete and has a surplus of \$67,041 (balance as of May 3, 2011). The surplus is a result of better than anticipated tender results.

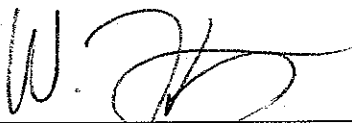
If ERCA is unsuccessful in securing the proposed funds from upper levels of government and other municipalities, the \$10,000 will not be required.

5. CONSULTATIONS:

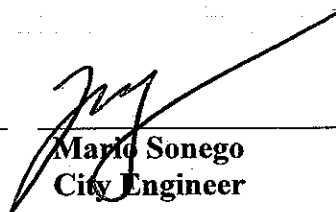
Mr. Jeremy Wychreschuk, P. Eng., Essex Region Conservation Authority

6. CONCLUSION:

Administration is supportive of this study. It will provide valuable information related to the structural conditions and required improvements as well as potential opportunities for habitat resoration along the Detroit River shoreline.



Wesley Hicks
Sr. Manager, Infrastructure and
Transportation Planning/Deputy City
Engineer



Mario Sonego
City Engineer



Onorio Colucci
City Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer



Helga Reidel
Chief Administrative Officer

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APPENDICES:

'A' - Letter from ERCA

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March 24, 2011

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Dear Mario Sonogo,

The Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA) is planning to conduct a shoreline assessment of the Detroit River this year. This will primarily focus on conducting an inventory of the shoreline along the watercourse, which will assess all structure conditions and determine whether improvements may be recommended. This will include structure specific information such as structure type, dimensions, top elevations and composition. A secondary focus of the study will be to consider any potential habitat restoration opportunities along the shore and nearshore. This study is for information purposes only, as a holistic picture of the Detroit River shoreline is currently lacking. The study is expected to be conducted throughout the spring, summer and fall of 2011, with reports completed by the winter of 2011.

We are in the process of acquiring funding for this study from various sources, including Environment Canada, the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), the Windsor Port Authority and other municipalities abutting the Detroit River (Town of LaSalle and Town of Amherstburg). As an abutting municipality within the study area, ERCA is hoping that the City of Windsor is interested in joining ERCA as a partner for this important study. The amount requested from the City is \$10,000.00.

ERCA is planning to apply to MNR this month through the Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure (WECI) Program. The deadline for this application is typically March 31, 2011. It is requested that ERCA has an indication of interest from the City of Windsor if possible before this deadline so we may proceed with the Provincial application.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at 519-776-5209 ext. 305. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours truly,



Jeremy Wychreschuk, P. Eng.
Director of Watershed Engineering

CC: Wes Hicks, City of Windsor
Tim Byrne, ERCA
Matthew Child, ERCA

