

## **Council Highlights – January 21, 2008, City of Pickering Council Meeting**

### ***Presentations/Delegations***

- ❖ Mr. David Clark from Veridian Corporation presented a shareholder dividend cheque in the amount of \$1,640,000.00 to the City of Pickering.
- ❖ Edna Klazek, CEO, United Way of Ajax-Pickering-Uxbridge appeared before Council to update them on the initiative of the United Way and the progress made with lobbying the Provincial and Federal Governments for additional funding. Ms. Klazek also noted that she would continue to send Council updates on the program development and consultation progress with the community and organizations involved with the United Way.
- ❖ The new Inspector from the Durham Regional Police Services, 19<sup>th</sup> Division, Steve Ross, introduced himself to the City of Pickering and noted that he looked forward to working with the City's Council and its residents.

### ***Standing Committee Reports***

#### **PD 01-08**

- ❖ Council approved the final assumption of Plans of Subdivision for Duffin Developments 40M-1512 & 40M-1513, and 813468 Ontario Ltd., 40M-1638.

#### **PD 02-08**

- ❖ Zoning By-law amendment application A 7/07 to permit the creation of two lots with a minimum frontage of 13.5 metres on lands being Part of Lot 33, Range 3 B.F.C, Part 2, 40R-10418, was approved.

#### **PD 03-08**

- ❖ Council approved the final draft of "Rouge River Watershed Plan – Towards a Healthy and Sustainable Future" of the Rouge Watershed Task Force.
- ❖ Council will continue to work with the staff of Toronto Region Conservation Authority to support the proposed initiatives, management philosophy, and implementation

recommendations laid out in this plan.

**OES 01-08**

- ❖ The Recreation Complex Expansion Project was approved by Council as a project under the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative, which includes the construction of aerobic studios and doubles squash courts. This project is an application for \$1.0 million.

***Notices of Motion***

**Train Safety Audit**

- ❖ The City of Pickering has filed a formal complaint on behalf of the community against the operators of the CN and CP Railway companies and thus requests that the Minister's office undertake a full due diligence safety audit. This includes;
  - a) Promoting and providing for the safety of the public and personnel, and the protection of property and the environment, in the operation of railways;
  - b) Recognizing the responsibility of railway companies in ensuring the safety of their operations; and
  - c) Facilitating a modern, flexible and efficient regulatory scheme that will ensure the continuing enhancement of railway safety.

*The next Council meeting will take place on February 19, 2008. Please contact Debi Wilcox, City Clerk at 905.420.4611 for questions relating to the Council Highlights.*