

**ADDENDUM #1**

**REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

**2007 02 12**

**4:30 P.M.**

**PART ONE – CONSENT AGENDA**

5. **COMMUNICATIONS AND ROUTINE REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**
- (d) Further correspondence from AMO is attached for the information of Council.
  - (m) **Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie - User Fees - By-law 2007-11**  
A further report of the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer setting out all user fees contained in the by-law is attached for the consideration of Council.
  - (bb) **Council Travel**  
  
Mover - Councillor S. Myers  
Seconder - Councillor F. Fata  
Resolved that Councillor Lou Turco be authorized to travel to an AMO Executive Meeting (two days in February) being held in Toronto at a cost of \$300.00 to the City.
  - (cc) A news release concerning Northern Mayors develop a unified municipal position on provincial policies and issues is attached for the information of Council.



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## MEMBER COMMUNICATION

ALERT N°: 07/006

*To the attention of the Clerk and Council*  
 February 9, 2007

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### AMO Report to Members on January 2007 Board Meeting

As part of its commitment to keep members informed, AMO will update members on important issues that are considered at regular meetings of the AMO Board of Directors.

#### *Highlights of the January 2007 Board meeting follow:*

- **Rural-Northern Plan Discussion Paper**

AMO's Rural-Northern Plan Discussion Paper was approved by the Board. This important new policy paper will be launched at the upcoming ROMA/OGRA Conference.

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- **Blue Flashing Lights on Law Enforcement Vehicles**

The Board considered a request for feedback from the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) on a proposal to allow police services in Ontario to use blue flashing lights along with the existing red flashing lights on their vehicles. In line with a position taken by the Ontario Good Roads Association, the AMO Board expressed support for extending permissive authority for blue flashing lights to police provided that implementation is discretionary and that municipal road service vehicles such as snowplows retain the right to use blue flashing lights.

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- **Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Services Delivery Review**

An information update on the Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Services Delivery Review was provided. Recognizing the need for broader consultation, staff noted that there will be formal opportunities for key stakeholder groups, individual municipalities, and others, to provide input to the review and that additional information on this process was expected in the coming weeks.

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## Member Communication

- **Draft Regulation and Guidelines under the *Environmental Assessment Act***

The Board expressed its support for the new Draft Regulation and Guidelines under the *Environmental Assessment Act*. The proposed changes promise to simplify the Environmental Assessment approval requirements and exempt various municipal solid waste processing activities. If implemented, the Regulation will help municipalities address the gap between the amount of annual waste processing and current disposal requirements. It was noted that thermal degradation facilities, which produce energy, are treated differently under the EAA even though they are designed and operated like most other industries. The Board strongly endorsed the proposed Regulation with the proviso that thermal degradation facilities be exempt from EAA provisions and be treated like any other industry.

**Contact:** Milena Avramovic, Senior Policy Advisor, email: milena@amo.on.ca; ext: 342

- **Proposed Brownfields Regulations**

The Board considered its response to the draft Brownfields Regulations. The proposed changes should minimize liability issues for municipalities. The Board strongly endorsed the proposed changes and directed staff to communicate its support to the Government. Staff will coordinate a multi-agency response to the draft regulations and relay AMO Board support for the proposed changes.

**Contact:** Milena Avramovic, Senior Policy Advisor, email: milena@amo.on.ca; ext: 342

- **Source Protection Committees under the *Clean Water Act***

The Ministry of the Environment's Discussion Paper on Source Protection Committees under the *Clean Water Act, 2006* was presented to the AMO Board to solicit feedback. In particular, comments were requested on the selection and composition of Source Protection Committees, Committee decision-making methods, and working group establishment.

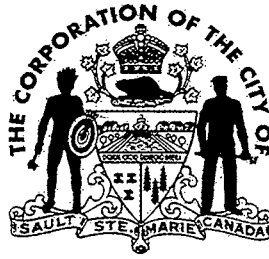
With respect to the selection of Source Protection Committee chairs, the Board agreed that the proposed one-third municipal representation would only be acceptable if consensus decision-making was used by the committees. If an alternate method, such as majority vote, was used the Board agreed that the process should be amended to provide majority municipal representation. In addition, the Board directed staff to respond to the Ministry on the issue of representation of the provincial and federal governments where activities on Crown Land or federal establishments affect water sources. Finally, on the question of working groups, the Board agreed that municipal working groups be established for committees where all affected municipalities in the Source Protection Area are not represented. Staff was directed to prepare a response communicating these concerns.

**Contact:** Craig Reid, Senior Policy Advisor, email: creid@amo.on.ca; ext: 334

This information is available in the Policy Issues section of the AMO website at [www.amo.on.ca](http://www.amo.on.ca).

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**William Freiburger, CMA**  
Commissioner of Finance  
and Treasurer



**Finance Department**

2007 02 12

Mayor John Rowsell and  
Members of City Council

**Re: Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie –  
User Fees – By-law 2007-11**

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Please find a revised Finance Department schedule "D" for the User Fees By-law.

The interest rate for taxes and receivables is recommended to be 1.00% per month.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Freiburger, CMA  
Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer

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attachments

**RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL**

  
Joseph M. Fratesi  
Chief Administrative Officer

**CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE**  
**USER FEE & SERVICE CHARGES - BY-LAW 2007 - 11 - Schedule "D"**  
**FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>Services Offered</b>	<b>2006 Current Fee</b>	<b>2007 Proposed Fee</b>	<b>GST Y or N</b>	<b>By-Law or Resolution Reference</b>
541-001-001-0	<b>LOTTERY LICENCES</b>				
	- Raffle under \$ 50,000 value	\$ 10.00 or 1 % of the	\$ 10.00 or 1 % of the	No	
		Prize Value	Prize Value		
	- Raffle over \$ 50,000 value	to Province	to Province	No	
	- Bingo - prize under \$ 5,500	1% of Prize	1% of Prize	No	
	- Bingo - prize over \$ 5,500	to Province	to Province	No	
	- Bazaar ( Maximum 3 wheels )	\$ 10.00 / wheel	\$ 10.00 / wheel	No	
	- Nevada Tickets - prize value to \$ 1,115.00 (third party)	\$ 33.45 / box	\$ 33.45 / box	No	
	- Nevada Tickets - prize value \$ 930,	\$ 27.90 / box	\$ 27.90 / box	No	
	- Nevada Tickets - 3 % of value in all cases per examples above				
541-001-004-4	<b>GENERAL LICENCES</b>				
	- Limousine Driver - Initial	\$40.00	\$40.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Limousine Driver - Renewal	\$25.00	\$25.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Limousine Owner - Initial	\$400.00	\$400.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Limousine Owner - Renewal	\$100.00	\$100.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Limousine Vehicle - Initial	\$100.00	\$100.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Limousine Vehicle - Renewal	\$50.00	\$50.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Replacement Driver Badge	\$5.00	\$5.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Pawnbroker ( Annual )	\$250.00	\$250.00	No	2003-52
	- Peddler - Resident Produce, Daily ( Annual )	\$250.00	\$250.00	No	2003-53
	- Plumber - Master	\$20.00	\$20.00	No	2003-54
	- Sightseeing Bus - Driver - Initial	\$40.00	\$40.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Sightseeing Bus - Driver - Renewal	\$25.00	\$25.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Sightseeing Bus - Owner - Initial	\$400.00	\$400.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Sightseeing Bus - Owner - Renewal	\$100.00	\$100.00	No	Police By-law 154

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	- Sightseeing Bus - Vehicle - Initial	\$100.00	\$100.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Sightseeing Bus - Vehicle - Renewal	\$50.00	\$50.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Taxi - Driver - Initial	\$40.00	\$40.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Taxi - Driver - Renewal	\$25.00	\$25.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Taxi - Owner - Initial (Includes 1 vehicle)	\$400.00	\$400.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Taxi - Owner - Renewal	\$100.00	\$100.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Taxi - Broker - Initial (includes 1 vehicle)	\$400.00	\$400.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Taxi - Broker - Renewal	\$100.00	\$100.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Taxi - Vehicle - Initial	\$100.00	\$100.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Taxi - Vehicle - Renewal	\$50.00	\$50.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Hotel Shuttle Bus - Owner - Initial (inc 1 vehicle)	\$200.00	\$200.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Hotel Shuttle Bus - Owner - Renewal	\$50.00	\$50.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Hotel Shuttle Bus - Vehicle - Initial	\$50.00	\$50.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Hotel Shuttle Bus - Vehicle - Renewal	\$25.00	\$25.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Hotel Shuttle Bus Driver - Initial	\$40.00	\$40.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Hotel Shuttle Bus Driver - Renewal	\$25.00	\$25.00	No	Police By-law 154
	- Adult Entertainment Parlour - Owner / Operator - Annual	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	No	90-318
	- Adult Entertainment Parlour - Owner - Annual	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	No	90-318
	- Adult Entertainment Parlour - Operator - Annual	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	No	90-318
	- Adult Entertainment Parlour - Burlesque Attendant - Annual	\$75.00	\$75.00	No	90-318
	- Amusement Arcade (Annual)	\$250.00	\$250.00	No	2003-50
544-001-001-4	<b>PENALTIES &amp; INTEREST ON TAXES</b>				
	- On the First Day after the due date	1.00 % / month	1.00 % / month	No	96-58
	- On the First day of each month that the Taxes remain unpaid				
	- On January 1st of the following year and each month thereafter				
549-003-001-1	<b>LIBRARY ACCOUNTING FEES</b>				
	- Accounting / Data Processing Fees - Library Board	8,850.00	9,115.00	No	

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549-003-002-9	<b>DSSAB ACCOUNTING SERVICES</b>				
	- Accounting Services - District Social Services Admin Board	18,720.00	18,720.00	No	By-law 2003-132
549-003-003-7	<b>SAFE COMMUNITIES ACCOUNTING SERVICES</b>				
	- Accounting Services - Safe Communities Partnership	150.00	150.00	No	
544-001-002-2	<b>INTEREST - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</b>				
	- On all accounts more than 30 days old	1.25 % / month	1.00 % / month	No	
549-001-004-7	<b>TAX CERTIFICATES</b>				
	- Tax Certificate ( Certified Statement of Tax Account Status )	\$35.00	\$35.00	No	96-59
549-001-005-4	<b>TAX SEARCH &amp; CONFIRMATIONS</b>				
	- Confirmation - Previous Years per property per year	\$10.00	\$10.00	No	
	- Multiple Tax Balances per Property (bank searches)	\$5.00	\$5.00	No	
549-001-007-0	<b>EMPLOYEE PC PURCHASES</b>				
	- Interest Charged on Computer Purchases by City Personnel	5.00%	5.00%	No	
549-001-012-0	<b>PAYROLL GARNISHEE</b>				
	- Fee for Garnishee of payroll Cheque per pay per cheque	\$10.00	\$10.00	No	Set by Province
549-001-015-3	<b>NSF CHEQUE FEE</b>				
	- Fee for a cheque being returned per cheque	\$20.00	\$20.00	No	

# NEWS RELEASE

For immediate release

Friday, February 9, 2007

## **Northern Mayors develop a unified municipal position on provincial policies and issues**

The mayors of the five largest municipalities in Northern Ontario held a daylong meeting in Greater Sudbury on Friday to develop a unified municipal position on provincial policies and funding sources from the Provincial Government.

Greater Sudbury Mayor John Rodriguez, Sault Ste. Marie Mayor John Rowswell, Timmins Mayor Tom Laughren, North Bay Mayor Victor Fedeli and Thunder Bay Mayor Lynn Peterson identified the following as priority items for their cities.

- Infrastructure Renewal and Critical Transportation Investments
- Competitive Energy Costs
- Getting a Share of the Natural Resources Revenues
- Impact of Provincial Policies on Northern Ontario
- Addressing the Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Gap

The cities are preparing a pre-election position paper to outline their concerns and proposed solutions. Once completed, the paper will be presented to the leaders of the major provincial political parties. The Mayors will be requesting meetings with each of these leaders to discuss their concerns and to urge the parties to include plans in their election platforms to address these issues.

"We will be working with our colleagues in other Northern Ontario municipalities and municipal associations such as the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities and the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association to ensure Northern Ontario issues are addressed," said Thunder Bay Mayor Lynn Peterson.

"Northern municipalities require additional and ongoing funding for infrastructure repairs and replacements. The funding provided by COMRIF was unbalanced as some municipalities received millions while others received nothing. We hope that the Government of Ontario will be addressing this issue in the upcoming Provincial Budget and that last year's Move Ontario program was very successful in helping communities meet their infrastructure needs," said Sault Ste. Marie Mayor John Rowswell.



"Important changes are needed in how the Province deals with the northern municipalities. New supportive measures need to be created," said Greater Sudbury Mayor John Rodriguez. "There is no doubt that there is a fiscal problem in Northern Ontario. As an example, the Province is reaping large increases in revenue from the current mining boom, yet municipalities get nothing."

"The existing Provincial policy regime does not recognize the unique challenges of Northern Ontario. This "one size fits all" philosophy of the Provincial and Federal governments is not working for the North," said North Bay Mayor Victor Fedeli.

"Clearly it's time to review government policy for the North and it's time to face reality. The current approach is not reaching the desired results," said Timmins Mayor Tom Laughren.

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