ADDENDUM #1

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

2007 02 26

4:30 P.M.

PART ONE - CONSENT AGENDA

COMMUNICATIONS AND ROUTINE REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

(q) <u>Trunk Road Resurfacing - Black Road to Wellington Street East Environmental Assessment</u>

Correspondence from Andre Riopel is attached for the information of Council.

PART TWO - REGULAR AGENDA

- 6. REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMITTEES
- 6. (6) **PLANNING**

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- (a) Application No. A-4-07-OP Don Bruni 1415 Third Line West Request to Create 6 New Rural Area Lots for Residential Purposes

 Further correspondence concerning this item is attached for the information of Council.
- 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS, NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS PLACED ON AGENDA BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

500 temporary staff to deal with such backlog; and

(d) Mover - Councillor S. Butland Seconder - Councillor J. Caicco

Seconder - Councillor J. Caicco
Whereas City Council for the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie on June
12, 2006 passed a resolution (copy of which is attached hereto) requesting the
Federal Government to consider establishing a full passport office here in Sault
Ste. Marie to adequately serve the residents of Northern Ontario; and
Whereas the requirement for passports to enter the United States when
travelling by air became effective in January 2007; and
Whereas the requirement for passports to enter the United States by land will
become effective in January 2008, unless current discussions with American
officials result in some other form of acceptable documentation for entry; and
Whereas there is currently a significant backlog of passport applications being
processed, notwithstanding the fact the Federal Government has hired about

7. (d) Whereas the problem will only become much greater unless permanent offices are established in strategic locations throughout Ontario, such as in Sault Ste.

Marie for all of Northeastern Ontario:

Now therefore be it resolved that the Prime Minister of Canada and the Federal Minister of Immigration be requested to favourably respond to the June 12, 2006 resolution of City Council so that the required effective service, including same day service, which is made available to other residents who live near existing passport offices is also made available to all residents of Northeastern Ontario.

(e) Mover - Councillor T. Sheehan Seconder - Councillor L. Turco

Whereas the City of Sault Ste. Marie has recently opened Carmen's Way; and Whereas this multi-vehicle transportation corridor is an efficient state of the art piece of infrastructure:

Now therefore be it resolved that City staff redouble its efforts to get the trucks off the "old truck route" and onto the better route Carmen's Way; and further that they report back to Council in the near future with their action plan.

(f) Notice of Motion

Mover - Councillor T. Sheehan

Seconder - Councillor

Whereas the City of Sault Ste. Marie contributes millions of dollars in funding to "outside agencies" each year; and

Whereas many governments have agreements in place with "outside agencies" to assure that taxpayers are receiving value for the dollars that are being spent; Now therefore be it resolved that City Council request that the Finance Committee report back to Council on how the City may incorporate iron clad Accountability Agreements as one of the requirements for providing taxpayer funds to "outside agencies".

Donna Irving



From: Riopel [back.motion@on.aibn.com]

Sent: February 25, 2007 6:21 PM

To: Donna Irving

Subject: Urgent: Trunk Road Report for Feb 26 council meeting

Dear Ms. Irving:

Thank you for sending me a copy of Don Elliot's report about the Trunk Road proposal on Friday afternoon. I regret that he did not share this with me on Thursday when we met to discuss this issue so that I could have directly and immediately addressed some elements. I assume that you have copied it to me now not only as a courtesy, but to allow an opportunity for input. Thank you.

The report seems accurate in what it does address, but is flawed because of a significant omission. It is true that Trunk is identified as a primary cycling route in the Cycling

Master Plan. It is also correct that we have made progress in solving the issue of bicycle safety along this road with the pending review of the cycling master plan, which an external consultant is scheduled to begin in March and complete by July of this year. Currently, there is consensus among all parties that building a path along the railway would bypass the cycling safety issue here and elsewhere along the Trunk-Wellington corridor. We expect the consultant to confirm this and then we need permission from the railway company before we could proceed. We cannot however assume that this trail is a fait accomplie hence the preferred alternative fails to ensure that it meets existing city plans.

What the report fails to mention is that the preferred road reconstruction alternative being presented to City Council would create a more dangerous situation for cyclists, and as such is contrary to the Cycling Master Plan approved by council in 1995.

Specifically, there are two proposed changes that would make this road even more dangerous for cyclists:
-the extension of the merge lane from Black Road creates danger for west-bound cyclists travelling along this section as vehicles will be speeding on both sides of them until merging traffic allows the cyclists to steer closer to the curb, which will suddenly jump a full lane to the left; and

-within the available right of way, the creation of the centre turning lane does not leave enough room for the curb lane width to meet the MTO cycling guideline standards.

The Cycling Master Plan states that cyclist safety must be considered when roads identified as primary cycling routes are improved. It might have helped City Councillors if this element had been forthrightly included in the report to avoid potential embarrassment, or worse, if a decision were to be made counter to Council's own existing commitments.

Since the cycling safety component was overlooked or ignored, I respectfully recommend that the project be put on hold until the revisions to the cycling master plan are complete and a safe alternative is provided, approved and budgeted. My understanding is that the only reason to proceed this summer is a preference to resurface Trunk

and Wellington in a sequential fashion. Since provincial funding has already been secured, it appears financing will not be jeopardized if construction were to wait another year until proper planning is done.

I do hope that council is made aware to this omission at tonight's council meeting. I told Mr. Elliot I would be more than happy to attend council this evening to provide any clarification councillors might desire, and he said that wasn't necessary since no discussion was expected. However, I am pleased to repeat my offer through you if you think my presence would be helpful. Please call me at 253-2354 to let me know what time to be there.

Thank you once again for allowing this opportunity for input.

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Sincerely,

Andre Riopel President Sault Cycling Club

Feb. 22,2007.

To City Council of Sault Ste. Marie:

In reguards to application No.A-4-07-OP a request to amend the official plan-filed by Don Bruni.

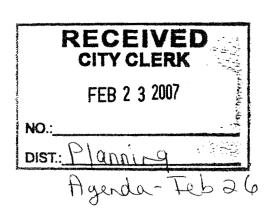
We the meighbours on Third Line West and surrounding area object to the frontage of the proposed size of lats on Third Line West.

We feel our wells cannot continue to supply water with another 5 wells as the water levels are already dropping.

In 2004 we applied for severances on Leigh's Bay Road of 150'x342'.We were refused as there would have been too many septics and had to be spaced further apart. So we were alllowed 2 lots of 294'x342'. We were also told that you didn't want too many lots severed as you had a lot of undeveloped land within the urban service lines.

We feel that 2 severences of 295' without the 66' road allowance would be sufficient at this time as there are already 3 other wells going in this summer inthe immediate area, that way we could see how our wells are affected. If the lots are kept at 295' frontage there is less chance of severing that lot again.

The whole area from Third Line down to Second Line is vacant except for one old farm house so where will this all end. The proposed road allowance could eventually run all the way to Second Line. Therefore city water might have to be extended for all these lots. Not to mention how many septic systems there will be.



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Donna Irving

From:

Judy Biocchi on behalf of City Clerk

Sent:

February 26, 2007 8:51 AM

To:

Donna Irving

Subject:

FW: Application 4-07 OP

----Original Message----

From: robert14 robert [mailto:robert14robert@yahoo.ca]

Sent: February 25, 2007 9:41 PM

To: City Clerk Cc: Peter Tonazzo

Subject: RE: Application 4-07 OP

Dear Ms. Irving:

Re: Request for an Official Plan amendment to create 6 new Rural Area lots for residential purposes as described in Application No. A-4-07-OP - filed by Don Bruni.

Please find herewith my objections to the approval for Official Plan Amendment No. 120.

My concerns rest with the ad hoc arbitrary application of Official Plan amendments that have been carried out since the approval of the current City of Sault Ste. Marie Official Plan. Specifically, while the Plan indicates compact sustainable urban form development, numerous applications have been successfully granted to permit random creation of sprawling residential property developments.

As recognised by the Planning Department for this application, "The applicant's request to divide the subject property to create a total of 7 lots requires an amendment to Policy RA 4 of the Official Plan which prohibits the creation of additional Rural lots."

The Report of the Engineering and Planning Department indicates several concerns that continued rural development of this nature would create. While these concerns are not considered serious, they have a strong likelihood to lead to future municipal concerns and costs. Specifically, the continued erosion of important agricultural lands, the future expectations for

road infrastructure development and maintenance, and the future expectation or need for sanitary and storm water management by the City of Sault Ste. Marie. This proposed amendment project would also add further stress to the natural environment in the immediate area.

The proposed development is also inconsistent with provincial objectives, including the Provincial Policy Statement (2005).

It is unclear if and when such Official Plan amendments will be rejected based on the current Official Plan. The creation of continued rural sprawl

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developments thus establishes a pattern inconsistent with the Official Plan, and a trend setting precedence for the expectation of future approvals. This expectation seems to be clearly outlined in this application as "A right of way has been reserved for the purposes of accessing the vacant portion of the parcel from Third Line West, thus maintaining all future development options for the site."

Until such time as the City of Sault Ste, Marie clarify its position as to the role and value of the current Official Plan, and justifies the costs of developing the Official PLan, amendments of this and similar nature should be halted.

Robert

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--- Peter Tonazzo <p.tonazzo@cityssm.on.ca> wrote:
> Hi Robert,
> As per our discussion please find attached the
> report that will go to
> Council this Monday. If you wish to make a written
> submission it should
> be directed to:
> D.P. Irving, City Clerk
> P.O. Box 580
> Sault Ste. Marie, ON
> P6A 5N1
> cityclerk@cityssm.on.ca
> Regards,
> Peter Tonazzo, B.URPL.
> Planner
> City of Sault Ste. Marie
> 99 Foster Dr.
> Sault Ste. Marie, ON
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