

## **ADDENDUM**

### **REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**

**2008 09 22**

**4:30 P.M.**

#### **PART ONE – CONSENT AGENDA**

##### **5. COMMUNICATIONS AND ROUTINE REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

- (a) Further correspondence from AMO is attached for the information of Council.
- (u) **Transit Service for the Pawating Place**  
A letter from the Manager Housing Programs Social Services Department concerning this item is attached for the information of Council.
- (v) **Emerald Ash Borer**  
A report of the Manager of Parks is attached for the consideration of council.

Mover - Councillor P. Mick

Seconder - Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Parks dated 2008 09 22 concerning Emerald Ash Borer (Beetle) be accepted as information.

NOTE: Brian Hamilton, Canadian Food Inspection Agency will be in attendance concerning this item.

#### **PART TWO – REGULAR AGENDA**

##### **6. REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS; BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

##### **6. (6) PLANNING**

- (d) **Application No. A-25-08-Z - Palmer Construction Group - 690 Black Road -  
Request to Rezone to Permit the Existing Contractor's Yard Supporting  
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction**  
A letter from the Sault Cycling Club concerning this item is attached for the information of Council.



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**ALERT**

## MEMBER COMMUNICATION

ALERT N°: 08/042

*To the attention of the Clerk and Council*  
**September 19, 2008**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:  
Petra Wolfbeiss, AMO Senior Policy Advisor  
(416) 971-9856 ext 329

### **AMO Seeking Comment on its Immigration Paper: "Putting Out the Welcome Mat: Why Immigration Matters to Ontario's Municipalities"**

#### **Issue:**

Municipalities are at the front lines of immigration in Ontario. To support their role, AMO has developed a paper exploring the municipal context in the attraction, retention and settlement of immigrants in Ontario's municipalities. The paper provides considerations, strategies and recommendations as a toolkit for advocacy and planning on moving forward on progressive immigration policy and programs for AMO and municipalities.

#### **Background:**

As part of the ongoing work of the Municipal Immigration Committee (MIC), AMO has developed a discussion paper that reflects the specific concerns of municipalities on issues related to immigration. The MIC was formed under Annex F of the 2005 Canada-Ontario Immigration Agreement (COIA). AMO played a lead role in ensuring that the municipal voice would be heard in the discussions and development of immigration policy and programs in Ontario. While the MIC provides an important forum for dialogue between all orders of government on immigration issues, AMO believes that an exploration of the municipal context and issues in immigration is required.

Emerging issues such as the changing global context and imminent labour pressures in Ontario – it is estimated that by 2010 Ontario's net labour force population growth will rely on immigration – confirmed the need for a municipal voice on the many issues surrounding immigration.

**Action:** AMO asks its members to review "Putting out the Welcome Mat: Why Immigration Matters to Ontario's Municipalities" and provide comments.

**Please forward your municipality's comments to:**

**Petra Wolfbeiss, AMO Senior Policy Advisor by November 7, 2008**  
**at [pwolfbeiss@amo.on.ca](mailto:pwolfbeiss@amo.on.ca)**

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## MEMBER COMMUNICATION

ALERT N°: 08/041

*To the attention of the Clerk and Council*  
September 18, 2008

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:  
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(416) 971-9856 ext 315

### AMO Report to Members on August 2008 Board Meeting

To keep members informed, AMO continues to provide updates on important issues considered at regular AMO Board of Directors' meetings. Highlights of the August 2008 Board meeting follow:

#### ▪ Accomplishments on Waste File

The Board received a summary of accomplishments on the waste management file over the past four years. Many of these accomplishments are attributable to AMO advocacy efforts set out in AMO's 2005 paper calling on the Province for an integrated waste management strategy for Ontario.

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

#### ▪ MHSW Program Plans

The Board received an update on the status of the Municipal Household and Special Waste (MHSW) agreements with municipalities, which delineate industry and municipal responsibilities for the costs associated with managing household hazardous waste. In light of recent amendments to the Phase 1 MHSW Plan that shift full program costs to stewards, the Board endorsed a recommendation that municipalities enter into agreements with Stewardship Ontario to recover processing costs. Municipalities have until December 15, 2008 to enter into such agreements.

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

#### ▪ Blue Box Funding

The Board approved the AMO and AMRC Position Paper for an Alternative Approach to Ontario's Blue Box Funding Model. Staff was directed to submit the report to the Minister of the Environment. The Board also received a report on the results of Blue Box funding negotiations for 2009.

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



- **New Tire Recycling Program**

The Board was informed of the revival of Ontario's New Tire Recycling Plan. The Board was advised that program plans need to be submitted to the Minister by December 2008.

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

- **Canada Post Strategic Review**

The Board reviewed AMO's proposed submission to the Canada Post Strategic Review Advisory Panel. Providing direction on additional concerns that should also be included in AMO's letter of submission, the Board provided approval and directed staff to submit the letter to the Advisory Panel.

**Contact:** Laurel McCosham, Policy Advisor, email: lmccosham@amo.on.ca; ext. 315.

- **AMO Municipal Immigration Paper**

The Board received AMO's draft paper on the attraction, retention and settlement of immigrants in Ontario municipalities. Reviewing the recommendations contained in the paper, the Board directed staff to circulate it to members for further comment. The finalized paper will be re-presented to the Board for approval in the fall of 2008.

**Contact:** Petra Wolfbeiss, Senior Policy Advisor, email: pwolfbeiss@amo.on.ca; ext. 329.

- **Ontario-Quebec Trade Negotiations**

The Board received an update on Ontario-Quebec Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement Negotiations, including an analysis on the potential impacts for municipalities.

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

- **Investing in Ontario Act**

The Board received information regarding the anticipated announcement of *Investing in Ontario Act* funding for municipal infrastructure investments.

**Contact:** Matthew Wilson, Senior Policy Advisor, email: mwilson@amo.on.ca; ext. 323.

- **National Do-Not-Call List**

The Board received information regarding the impact of the new Do-Not-Call List and telemarketing restrictions on municipal political activity. The Board was advised that exemptions from the restrictions do not apply for elections at the municipal level unless calls are made on behalf of a registered political party. The CRTC will launch the national Do-Not-Call List September 30, 2008. The Board directed staff to work with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities on this issue.

**Contact:** Matthew Wilson, Senior Policy Advisor, email: [mwilson@amo.on.ca](mailto:mwilson@amo.on.ca); ext. 323.

- **Federal Gas Tax Update**

The Board received an update on the upcoming evaluation of the gas tax program. A full Outcomes Report will be published by September 30, 2009, which will outline the results achieved over the first three years of the agreement.

**Contact:** Judy Dezell, Project Manager, Gas Tax Implementation, email: [jdezell@amo.on.ca](mailto:jdezell@amo.on.ca); ext. 306.

- **OMERS Update**

The Board received an update on OMERS-related issues, including an overview of recent OMERS Plan benefit proposals reviewed by the Sponsors Corporation, and information regarding OMERS contribution rates for 2009.

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*Rick Cobean, Manager  
Housing Programs*

**Social Services  
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Supporting Safe, Secure and  
Affordable Housing for All

MEMO TO: Pat Mick, Chair  
District of Sault Ste. Marie Social Services Administration Board

DATE: September 17, 2008

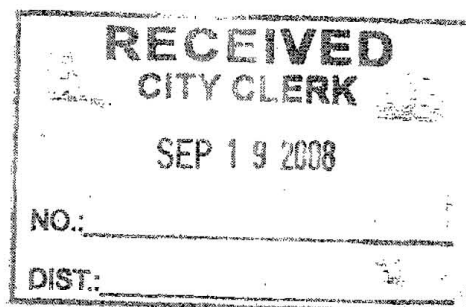
SUBJECT: City Transit Service: Pawating Co-operative Homes Inc.

Housing Programs Division is in support of City bus service being made available to and from Pawating Co-operative Homes (Pawating Co-op) for the following reasons:

- Approximately 30% of rent-geared-to-income housing applicants no longer wish to live at Pawating Co-op when it is learned that city bus service is not available to and from the Co-op; Applicants request to have name removed from Pawating Co-op's wait list.
- Potential for increase in subsidy costs paid by the DSSAB to Pawating Co-op; vacant units remain vacant as there are no applicants on Pawating Co-op's wait list. Increased costs passed on to the local taxpayer.
- The cost for an individual to take a taxi cab (grocery store, etc.) from Pawating Co-op is approximately \$10.00 one way. This is a financial hardship for individuals on a limited income.

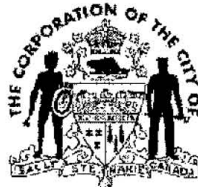
Thank you.

Rick Cobean



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Randy Travaglini  
Manager of Parks



Public Works &  
Transportation Department

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Mayor John Rowsell  
And Members of City Council  
Civic Center

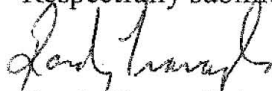
**RE: EMERALD ASH BORER**

We have recently been notified that the Emerald Ash Borer has been found in a local ash tree. Samples were taken to the Great Lakes Forestry Centre and then to Ottawa for positive confirmation. Emerald Ash Borer is an emerald green beetle which inhabits, and eventually kills, ash trees. It is believed the beetle arrived from Asia and was first noticed in Detroit in 2002. It has been detected in southwestern Ontario, the Toronto area, Michigan and Ohio.

It is likely the beetle is being spread through natural means and through movement of ash products such as firewood, nursery stock and logs. The beetle is a very serious pest and has killed many trees to date. The earliest possible detection of the insect is essential to help reduce its spread and damage.


The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (C.F.I.A.) is the lead government agency handling the infestation, through the Plant Protection Act. A representative of C.F.I.A., Mr. Brian Hamilton, will be at tonight's Council meeting to make a brief presentation on the beetle and the next stages to be taken for the community, in order to minimize the effects of the beetle in Algoma ash trees.

Respectfully submitted for approval,

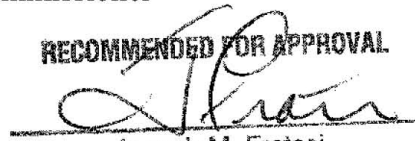
  
Randy Travaglini  
Manager of Parks

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Recommended for approval,

  
Patrick M. McAuley, P. Eng.  
Commissioner

**RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL**

  
Joseph M. Fratesi  
Chief Administrative Officer

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## Judy Biocchi

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**From:** chapman@alumni.sfu.ca  
**Sent:** September 18, 2008 9:16 PM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Cc:** a.m.sloan@sympatico.ca; ajluther@shaw.ca; email@johnmyles.ca; lvenier@sympatico.ca; pauldebeer@sympatico.ca; denis.baldwin@sympatico.ca; scott@lucidia.com  
**Subject:** Rezoning application of Palmer Construction Group  
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Dear Donna Irving,

The Sault Cycling Club has some concerns regarding the rezoning application of Palmer Construction Group for their property on Black Rd. We are not able to attend the council meeting on Monday night. Can you please ensure that our mayor and councilors are aware of our concerns as in the letter below?

Thank you for your time,  
Kim Chapman

Dear Mayor John Rowswell and Council,

Re: Rezoning application of Palmer Construction Group on Black Rd property

The Sault Cycling Club would like the Council of the Corporation of the City of Sault Ste. Marie to understand the possible implications to cyclists of Palmer Construction Group's application for rezoning the property on Black Rd. Black Rd is an important and popular cycling route that allows cyclists to bypass the high traffic areas of Trunk Rd and Great Northern Rd to travel from the east to the north end of the city.

The portion of Black Rd that travels from Second Line to Landslide Rd is narrow with poorly paved shoulders, so increased large truck traffic on this section of the road leaves cyclists with less room to manoeuvre, and increases their risk of a collision.

Trucks leaving the yard deposit loose material on the roadway. This has been happening all summer and creates additional hazards for cyclists, made worse by the narrow shoulders.

Large trucks entering or exiting the yard without good care and attention to other road users is another one of our major concerns. One of our executive members came extremely close to being hit by a dump truck turning out of the Palmer driveway, heading south on Black Rd this summer. The driver had pulled out to the end of the drive, looked to his left (south) didn't see any cars, and looked quickly right (north), before pulling out. He did not see the cyclist who came within 12 inches of his front grill, and forced the cyclist to swerve to avoid being run over. When the cyclist turned to get the truck's license plate number, the plate was covered in mud and unreadable.

We ask that our mayor and council consider cyclist concerns in their decision regarding this rezoning application.

Sincerely,  
Kim Chapman,  
Sault Cycling Club President on behalf of the Sault Cycling Club Executive



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