Halton Region Council

Contract for LTC Design

Council awarded a contract for the design of a new 228-bed long term care (LTC) facility to the firm of Boigon Petroff Shepher Architects, Inc. The new facility will house 128 LTC beds recently awarded to Halton by the Ministry of Health, as well as 100 existing beds currently located in Milton. The Ministry's award of the 128 LTC beds was contingent upon their being located in Oakville, and this contract will include pre-design, detailed design and contract administration for the new facility in Oakville, on a site yet to be confirmed.

Waste Management Survey

Council received the results of a customer satisfaction survey on Halton's waste collection services. The level of overall customer satisfaction with Regional waste management services has continued to remain high at 90 per cent, an increase since the 1996 level of 86.5 per cent. Council was advised that the results - when measured against the American Customer Satisfaction Index benchmark of 76 per cent confirm Halton's commitment to customer-focused service delivery.

Street Vendor Bylaw In response to safety con-

cerns, Regional Council approved the preparation of a bylaw to regulate the operation of street vendors on Regional Roads. Staff reported that such activity within the municipal right-of-way creates potential safety issues by obstructing sight lines, promoting illegal stopping and parking of vehicles, and creating a general distraction to the motoring public. Staff advised that they had consulted with the Halton Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) regarding impacts on certain fruit farmers in North Halton, and that the HAAC provided its endorsement to the preparation of such a bylaw.

Defer bypass study A decision was made by Regional Council to defer the

Class EA Study for the proposed extension of No. 10 Side Road and a Norval Bypass in the Town of Halton Hills. This study was endorsed in November 1999 and was designed to identify and evaluate possible east-west and north-south solutions to transportation problems in Georgetown and Norval. Staff advised that in light of changed circumstances, it is now deemed premature to continue on with the EA Study until the completion of the Ministry of Transportation's Role and Function Study for Highway 7 and the City of Brampton's Stage 1 -Northwest Brampton urban Boundary Review, as both initiatives will have implications for the transportation network in the general area. Council confirmed the view of regional staff that the deferral of the Class EA Study and increased participation by the Ministry of Transportation.

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