Compost give-away starts

You raked up the leaves, bagged them up, the Region collected them and now it wants to give you them back — in the form of compost.

Halton's popular spring compost giveaway program began Monday and will continue until Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day at the Halton Waste Management Site, 5400 Regional Road 25 in Milton.

More than 2,000 tonnes of processed compost will be available. The garden friendly compost has been produced from the 40,000 tonnes of leaves, brush and yard waste the Region collected from residents last year.

Residents can bring up to seven bags or containers to collect the compost but must also bring a shovel in order to collect it.

Though the compost is free, Halton is encouraging residents to bring a donation of a non-perishable food item or make a cash donation that will be given to local food banks.

Last year, 4,340 residents picked up about 2,000 tonnes of compost while dropping off 6,000 kg of food and \$9,764 for the food banks.

For more information, visit www.halton.ca/waste or call (905) 825-6000 or 1-866-442-5866.



Clarification

The story 'Parking Debate Monday' in the April, 24 Champion stated Milton council had passed changes to its zoning bylaw allowing for some residents to widen their driveways. However, while council

has approved the changes, the actual bylaw amendment will receive reading at the May 25 council session.

For more information, visit www.milton.ca and search report pd-020-09.



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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

Regional Official Plan Amendment No. 37
Proposed Amendment to the Regional Official Plan
"An Amendment to Incorporate Basic Requirements
of the Places to Grow Plan"

Applicant: Halton Region

The Council of the Regional Municipality of Halton, through its Planning and Public Works Committee, is holding a Special Meeting to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on a proposed Amendment to the Halton Region Official Plan, 2006.

Meeting Date: Wednesday May 27, 2009

Meeting Time: 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Place: Halton Roo

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Halton Regional Centre 1151 Bronte Road Oakville, Ontario, L6M 3L1

Phone: 905-825-6000

Website: www.halton.ca

Toll free number: 1-866-442-5866

Purpose and Effect: This Amendment would incorporate the basic requirements of the Provincial *Places to Grow Plan* (Growth Plan) into the Region of Halton Official Plan (2006). As part of the Sustainable Halton process, the Region has adopted a "two-stage" approach to review its Official Plan under Section 26 of *The Planning Act*, which will bring the Official Plan into conformity with the Provincial Growth Plan. Amendment No. 37, is the first stage of this approach, and will be considered by Halton Regional Council for adoption before June 16, 2009. (Municipal official plans must be in conformity with the *Places to Grow Act, 2005* by this date.) The implications of the proposed Regional Official Plan Amendment are region-wide. Amendment No. 38 is the second stage of this Official Plan review and will incorporate results of the comprehensive review of the Regional Official Plan. It is planned for Council adoption in December 2009.

To Get More Information: The proposed Amendment may be viewed at the Office of the Regional Clerk between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Or, a copy may be obtained by telephoning Perry Vagnini at 905-825-6000, ext. 7987, or toll free at 1-866-442-5866 or by e-mail to Perry.Vagnini@halton.ca. Those wishing to address the Committee should contact the Regional Clerk's office at 905-825-6000, ext. 7200, before 4:30 p.m., May 26, 2009, in order to be listed as a delegation in the agenda. Or, they may register with the Clerk prior to the public meeting.

In addition to the above public meeting, public open houses are being held in April 2009 to provide information on Amendment No. 37 as well as the Sustainable Halton Phase Three technical reports and the preferred growth concept and land use options (which will be dealt with under Amendment No. 38). Please go to **www.halton.ca/sustainablehalton**, or call the numbers above, for more details on these open houses. Following consideration by the Planning and Public Works Committee on May 27, 2009, a recommendation on Amendment No. 37 will be presented to Regional Council on June 3, 2009.

Note: If you wish to be notified of the adoption of the proposed Official Plan Amendment, you must make a written request to the Regional Clerk at the address above. Any person who, before the Official Plan Amendment is adopted, has made oral submissions at the above public meeting, or who has made written submissions to Regional Council, may file a notice of appeal with the Ontario Municipal Board. If a person has not made such submissions, the Board may refuse to allow that person to participate in a hearing of an appeal.

Dated at the Town of Oakville, April 14, 2009