

RUSSIAN ADOPTION SEMINAR & REUNION

Sunday March 30, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING The Regional Municipality of York DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

Take Notice that on Thursday, April 17, 2003, the Council of The Regional Municipality of York will hold a public meeting pursuant to the Development Charges Act, 1997 regarding the proposed development charge rates and policies that will be applied throughout York Region. It is proposed that enactment of a revised Development Charge By-law by Regional Council would occur on a date subsequent to this public meeting.

Development charges are levied against new development, and are a primary source for funding growth-related capital expenditures. Regional capital services include water, wastewater, transportation (roads, transit) and general services (police, emergency medical services, long term care, health, public works).

Regional Council is required under the Development Charges Act, 1997 to hold at least one public meeting to allow the public an opportunity to review and provide comments on the Draft 2003 Regional Development Charge Study, related staff reports and the proposed Development Charge By-law.

All interested parties are invited to attend on:

**Thursday, April 17, 2003
9:30 a.m.**

**Regional Council Chambers
17250 Yonge Street,
Newmarket, Ontario**

Copies of the Draft 2003 Development Charges Background Study, related staff reports, and the proposed By-law will be available through the Regional Clerk's office by April 03, 2003.

Written submissions are invited and should be directed to S.G. Cartwright, Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer, by no later than 4:30 p.m. on April 10, 2003. Written comments received prior to the meeting and submissions made at the public meeting will be considered by Regional Council prior to enactment of the Regional Development Charge By-law. Inquiries should be directed to the Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer. Anyone wishing to address Council on the above-noted matters should advise D. Kelly, Regional Clerk at (905) 895-1231, ext. 1300.



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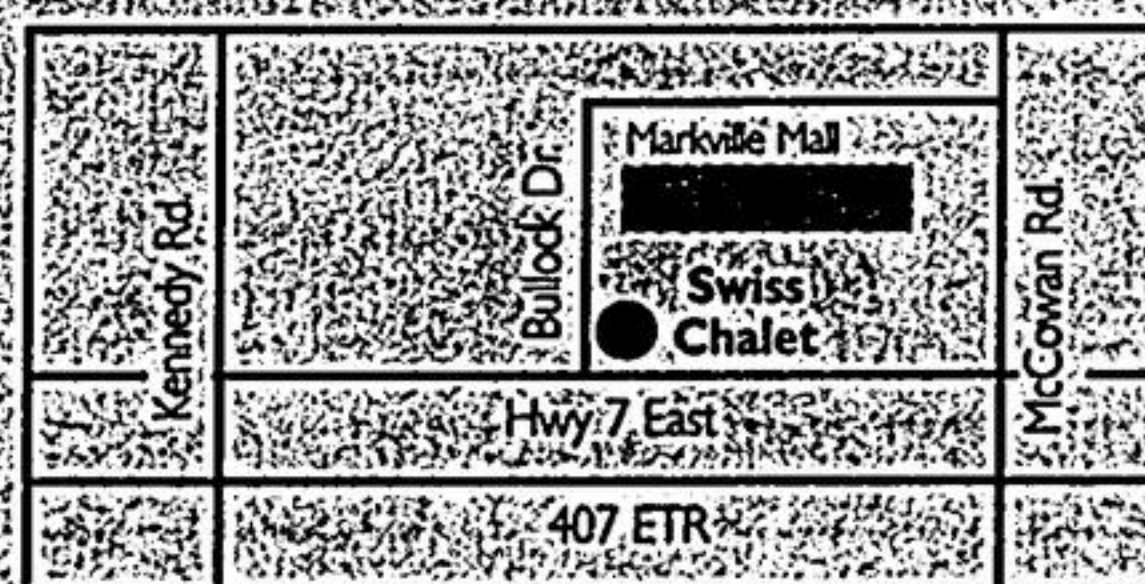
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Consumer confidence down again

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confidence had slipped to its lowest level since December 2001. The consumer confidence index declined 6.4 points between January and February.

The percentage of respondents who felt it's a good time to make major purchases fell for the third consecutive month in February, according to the conference board.

That's despite continuing strong economic indicators, including solid employment numbers and continued low interest rates, Mr. Hall said.

"Normally, you would see consumer confidence heading in the same direction the fundamentals are — that's just not happening."

Despite the numbers, Mr. Hall insists February's survey results are indicative of a "one month downward blip" rather than a trend.

Certainly, international trade opportunities for local companies have not been adversely affected by the spectre of war, Ms. Burkholder said.

"There's an awful lot of exporting going on and that has increased," she said Thursday, the first full day of

hostilities in Iraq.

"A lot of those products are going to Arab nations," Ms. Burkholder said. "That has not declined, which is a good sign."

Domestically, the economy remains sound, Ms. Burkholder said. A glaring exception is evident among travel agencies, whose bookings dropped as tensions mounted, she said.

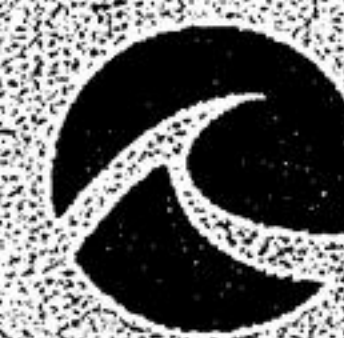
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Otherwise, the current conflict in the Middle East has had little in the way of a chilling effect on business so far.

"I have no indication business is slowing down or is going to slow down because of the war," Ms. Burkholder said.

War may even be a benefit to some companies with defence contracts or whose products are in greater demand, she said.



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Greater Toronto Airports Authority

Airport Planning Workshop

The Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA) will be hosting the second in a series of workshops on Wednesday, April 2nd and April 29th relating to the interim planning work being undertaken by the GTAA with respect to the Federal lands in Pickering.

This workshop will focus on Airports and Communities. The workshops are an opportunity for interested members of the public to learn more about airport planning.

The workshop will be held at:
GTAA Site Office, 3590 Brock Road, Brougham

Wednesday, April 2nd

Tuesday, April 29th

For more information and to register, (space is limited to 30 people) please call (905) 619-4822.