GREEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

December 12, 2023 Council Meeting

The Green Advisory Committee at its meeting held on November 13, 2023 passed the following:

1. A motion endorsing a Tree Giveaway Event for the Spring of 2024. Part of the motion includes a request for staff to bring a report Council detailing the cost of the event and the implementation process.

The motion read as follows:

THAT THE GREEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE endorses a Tree Giveaway for the Spring of 2024 and requests that staff provide a staff report to Welland City Council for the cost and process of the event to move it forward.

2. A motion directing the Committee to provide a letter to Council declaring its support for different user groups/committees of the City to apply for the Tree Canada Community Tree Grant before December 3rd.

The motion read as follows:

THAT THE GREEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE recommends providing a letter to Welland Council in support of user groups to apply for the Tree Canada Grant in conjunction with the City of Welland before December 3, 2023 for tree plantings.

3. A motion in support of requesting a staff representative from the City's Forestry Department be appointed to the Committee.

The motion read as follows:

THAT THE GREEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE supports Councillor Bonnie Fokkens to bring a motion to Welland City Council for a staff representative from the Forestry Department be appointed to the Committee.

4. The Green Advisory Committee supports expanding EV Charging Stations which includes charging stations for Electric Bikes, Electric Scooters, and Electric Mobility Devices on City owned lands; and further supports City Staff to apply for the EV Charge on Grant Program to support funding the additional charging stations.