



July 28, 2011

City Council Committee Report

To: Mayor & Council

**Fr: Richard Perchuk, Manager of Operations
Mike Mostow, Solid Waste & Fleet Supervisor**

Re: Solar Compactors Continuous Improvement Fund Project #637

Recommendation:

That Council of the City of Kenora give three readings to a bylaw to execute an agreement with Waste Diversion Ontario (WDO) and Stewardship Ontario for funding under the Continuous Improvement Fund in the amount of \$48,864 including HST representing provincial contributions under the Blue Box Program Plan for implementing open space recycling in the downtown waterfront areas of the City of Kenora; and further

That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute all related documents.

Background:

The City has received a request from Harbourtown Biz to implement a public space recycling program. In support of this request it has been noted that 50% of the material collected through the solid waste stream from the downtown and harbourfront area could be recycled.

With limited staff to manage traditional recycling receptacles the Solid Waste Department is proposing the purchase of self compacting units to increase the times between collections.

The Solid Waste Department would like to purchase sixteen (16) Big Belly Solar Compactor Units with advertising panels at a cost of \$5,000.00 per unit with 50% of the project cost to be funded by way of a grant through Waste Diversion Ontario's Continuous Improvement Fund (CIF). An allocation of \$80,000 has been approved under the 2011 Capital program for this project.

In order to secure funding the City must enter into an agreement with Waste Diversion Ontario who maintains the Continuous Improvement Fund and Stewardship Ontario as they are the custodian of the CIF monies and provides funding to the recipient.

Budget: 2011 Capital Budget + 50% grant \$48,864.00 (including tax)

Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:

Resolution required.

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