INFORMATION UPDATE

TO: Mayor and Members of Council Planning Committee

DATE: June 26, 2019

SUBJECT/REPORT NO: Terrapure Stoney Creek Regional Facility – Project Update (Ward 9)

WARD(S) AFFECTED: Ward 9

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Information:
Planning staff have been providing regular updates to Planning Committee on the Environmental Assessment process for the proposed expansion of the Stoney Creek Regional Facility (SCRF) which is owned and operated by Revolution Landfill LP, operating as Terrapure Environmental, referred to as Terrapure (Owner, Proponent). The SCRF is an existing landfill located at the northwest corner of Mud Street and Upper Centennial Parkway (Highway 20) in the former City of Stoney Creek (Ward 9), as shown on Appendix “A”.

The existing landfill was approved under the Environment Protection Act (“EPA”) and operates under the Environmental Certificate of Approval (ECA) No. A181008. It has a total approved site capacity of 8,320,000 m³, with an approved maximum annual volume of 750,000 tonnes. It receives solid, non-hazardous residual materials from commercial, industrial, and institutional sources.

Terrapure is proposing to increase the approved capacity of solid, non-hazardous industrial residual material SCRF by 3,680,000 m³, which would bring the total site capacity to 12,000,000 m³. The proposal would not change the type or annual volume of residual materials currently accepted at the facility, nor the maximum number of permitted vehicles to the site per day. The proposal triggered an Environmental Assessment (EA).

Planning Staff have brought forward a series of reports to Planning Committee with the most recent occurring after the proponent submitted the Final EA to the MECP on January 11, 2019. On February 19, 2019 Planning staff brought forward Report PED16184(c) which acknowledged that the majority of technical comments from staff...
have been addressed. Council's formal position remained opposed to the proposed expansion.

The MECP issued the Ministry Review Document on June 7, 2019 which states that the EA was prepared in accordance with the approved Terms of Reference and contains sufficient information to assess potential environmental effects.

The Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks must decide whether or not to approve the EA. The Ministry is considering recommending conditions of approval including further consultation and reporting requirements for dust management planning, odour management and truck monitoring, should the EA be approved. Staff are supportive of these conditions. A series of standard conditions of approval would also apply, which staff support.

Further, Terrapure has committed to the following: to consult with the City on groundwater monitoring as part of future annual monitoring, to continue discussions with the City on the compensation agreement, to provide adequate visual screening to mitigate visual impacts and to consult with the Government Review Team, the public and Indigenous Communities. Staff are supportive of these commitments. Staff note that Legal Services will be bringing a report to Planning Committee on the status of the negotiations related to the compensation agreement.

Both conditions and commitments must be honoured by Terrapure as part of the EA and through Annual Compliance monitoring.

This is the last opportunity for the public to provide comment on the EA process, and specifically the Ministry Review. The public inspection of the Ministry Review occurs for 5 weeks and ends on July 12, 2019. Staff have provided the Draft Letter to be sent to the MECP in Appendix "B".

The MECP will issue their final decision after July 12, 2019, but they are not bound by any statutory timelines. Planning staff will monitor and provide an update on the final decision by the Minister.

**Appendix Attached**

Appendix "A": Location Map
Appendix "B": Draft Letter to MECP

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RE: Comments on the Ministerial Review Document for Terrapure Stoney Creek Regional Facility Final Environmental Assessment

In response to the issuance of the Ministerial Review Document, City of Hamilton staff circulated to internal commenting groups. Upon receipt, staff are satisfied with the inclusion of proposed conditions and commitments as identified by the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, should the application for expansion of the Stoney Creek Regional Facility be successful.

We thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Ministerial Review Document. Should you have questions or comments, please contact Jennifer Roth at 905-546-2424 Ext. 2058 or via email at Jennifer.Roth@hamilton.ca.

Regards,

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