

STAFF REPORT:

Planning



REPORT TO: Mayor and Members of Council
MEETING DATE: December 3, 2007
REPORT NO.: PL.07.143
SUBJECT: Comprehensive Parking Strategy - Update
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A. Recommendations

THAT Council does receive Staff Report #PL.07.143, “Comprehensive Parking Strategy - Update” for information purposes.

B. Background

In October 2006, the Town of The Blue Mountains retained Bob Crews of J. D. Barnes Ltd. to undertake a Comprehensive Parking Strategy. This report serves as an update for Council.

At the last Steering Committee meeting held on November 2, 2007, a number of draft discussion papers were presented to the Committee for review by Mr. Crews. These discussion papers will be finalized into a final draft document to be entitled *Town of The Blue Mountains: Parking Strategy Study Report*. This report will be presented to the Steering Committee for review and comment the first week of December, 2007.

The remaining work which needs to be done for completion of the project includes the following with proposed timeframes:

- Week of December 1, 2007 – Final Working Draft Report to be circulated to Steering Committee.
- December 1 to 15, 2007 – Review of Draft Report by Steering Committee.
- January 2008 – Present Report findings and recommendations to Council.
- February 2008 – Final public meeting - presentation to the public.
- March 2008 – Final approval of the Study by Council.

Council will be provided with meeting dates and times at the earliest convenience.

C. Strategic Plan

The Comprehensive Parking Strategy project is in keeping with the Town’s Strategic Plan, namely:

1. *Managing growth to ensure the ongoing health and prosperity of the community.*

D. Budget Impact

Although slightly behind schedule the project is on budget in accordance with the work plan.

E. Attachment

NIL

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