

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** York Region Committee of the Whole

**FROM:** Mayor Geoffrey Dawe, Chair, Food Waste Grinder Sub-Committee

**DATE:** January 9, 2014

**RE:** **Request for Extension of Food Waste Grinder Sub-Committee**

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The Food Waste Grinder Sub-Committee was established in June 2013 to examine the need for a prohibition of food waste grinders in York Region. The members include the Chairman (ex officio), Mayor Dawe (Chair), Mayor Pellegrini, and Regional Councillors Heath, Schulte and Li.

The Council approved Terms of Reference for the Food Waste Grinder Sub-Committee, requires that the Sub-Committee report back Committee of the Whole (formerly Environmental Services Committee) by January 2014 with findings. However, staff have requested more time to conduct stakeholder consultation as a consultation session was cancelled due to recent inclement weather. Therefore, as Sub-Committee Chair, I would like to request extending the Food Waste Grinder Sub-Committee's requirement to report back to Committee of the Whole from January to March 2014 to allow the Sub-Committee the appropriate time for deliberating on this important matter. The Sub-Committee would then submit recommendations for discussion at Committee of the Whole on March 20, 2014 meeting.

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Mayor Geoffrey Dawe  
Chair, Food Waste Grinder Sub-Committee

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