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# REPORT RAPPORT

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DATE	6 October 1997
TO/DEST.	Co-ordinator Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee
FROM/EXP.	Environment and Transportation Commissioner
SUBJECT/OBJET	SNOW DISPOSAL SITE ENTRY FEE

### **DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION**

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee recommend Council approve a snow disposal site entry fee (tipping fee) of \$1.50 per cubic metre (\$1.50/m<sup>3</sup>), the proposed fee being unchanged from that established for the 1996/1997 winter season.

#### BACKGROUND

The  $1.50/m^3$  figure is comprised of  $1.06/m^3$  to cover snow disposal facility operational costs and  $0.44/m^3$  (capital surcharge) to pay for past and future snow disposal facility development costs.

The tipping fee is paid by all private snow haulers and all public bodies using Regional snow disposal sites, except the Region and the City of Ottawa.

The Region and the City share the net operational costs based on the proportion of snow hauled from roadways under their respective jurisdictions.

The capital surcharge component of the tipping fee is paid by all parties (public and private) and is deposited into a reserve fund.

#### DISCUSSION

The operational component of the tipping fee is reviewed each year based on the past winter's experience and adjustments are proposed as appropriate.

The proposed \$0.44/m<sup>3</sup> capital surcharge portion of the tipping fee is based on the findings of the Strategic Planning Study for Snow Disposal Inside the Greenbelt, which was approved by Regional Council on 22 November 1995.

The surcharge is designed to fully recover all the Region's capital costs in providing snow disposal services to others except for property acquisition costs.

Five RMOC owned sites (Clyde, Industrial, Hunt Club, Michael and Conroy) and one site (Bayview) owned by both the City of Ottawa and the Region are available for Regional use within the Greenbelt.

Currently, Regional disposal sites outside the City of Ottawa are not used by others. However, subject to available capacity, arrangements could be made for these sites to be used by interested area municipalities and other public agencies and the tipping fee would apply.

Upon approval of the recommendations in this report the Department will proceed to advertise the tipping fee rate, provide the information to trucking companies, print site entry tickets and commence ticket sales for this coming winter. Actual truck ticket prices are based on truck size as is shown in Annex A.

#### PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The Cities of Ottawa, Vanier, Nepean and Gloucester were consulted during the preparation of the Strategic Plan, although only Ottawa uses Regional facilities at this time.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The snow disposal site entry fee is designed to recover the Region's costs of providing snow disposal services to others.

Approved by M.J.E. Sheflin, P. Eng.

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## PROPOSED SNOW DISPOSAL SITE ENTRY FEE TICKET PRICES - OCTOBER 1997

Unit Fee - \$1.50/m<sup>3</sup>

	ESTIMATED AVERAGE TRUCK CAPACITY	TICKET PRICE
SINGLE AXLE TRUCK	$9 \text{ m}^3$	\$13.50
TANDEM	15 m <sup>3</sup>	\$22.50
TRI-AXLE	18 m <sup>3</sup>	\$27.00
SEMI-TRAILER/ COMBINATIONS	$32 \text{ m}^3$	\$48.00