

VIA Email <amo@amo.on.ca>

May 6, 2020

Association of Municipalities of Ontario
200 University Ave #801
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RE: Preferred Timing for Blue Box Transition

Please be advised the above-noted matter was placed before Council at its meeting held on May 5, 2020, and the following resolution was passed:

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan, has committed to moving Ontario's existing waste diversion programs to a full producer responsibility model; and

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) has requested all municipal governments with Blue Box recycling programs to provide AMO with an indication of the municipality's preferred date for transition of the current Blue Box recycling programs to full financial and operational responsibility by producers of paper products and packaging; and

WHEREAS the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville has entered into a long-term contract for current waste collection, including Blue Box collection, which expires December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville provides waste collection and disposal services to our residents in a two-tier Integrated Waste Management System within York Region, where the Region will continue to be responsible for the processing and disposal of source separated organics, yard waste, and residual solid waste, and the local municipalities will continue to be responsible for the collection of all waste streams; and



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WHEREAS the residents of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville expect waste collection services of all types to continue without disruption, and with clear and specific communication regarding the scheduling of services, types of services provided, and levels of service that the municipality and producers will provide under a three-tier Integrated Waste Management System; and

WHEREAS the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is supportive of a timely, seamless, and successful transition of the current Blue Box recycling program to full financial and operational responsibility by producers.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is best able to transition to full producer responsibility for collection on December 31, 2025 coinciding with the end of the current waste collection contract; and

THAT the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville, in co-operation with the Northern Six (N6) municipalities, is willing to provide Blue Box collection services on behalf of producers, through future long-term collection contracts, subject to mutually agreeable financial and operational terms; and

THAT Council authorize staff to do all things necessary to give effect to this resolution; and

THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; Jeff Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; Paul Calandra, MPP for Markham-Stouffville; and York Region

Yours truly,

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cc. Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Jeff Yurek
MPP for Markham-Stouffville, Paul Calandra
York Region