

## Resolution #255/09

Extracted from City of Pickering Council Minutes, October 19, 2009

(IX) MOTIONS & NOTICES OF MOTION

a) PICKERING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES

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Moved by Councillor Dickerson  
Seconded by Councillor Pickles

WHEREAS in May 2007, a consulting team lead by Dillon Consulting issued its Sustainable Development Guidelines Final Report to the City of Pickering; and

WHEREAS on June 18, 2007, Pickering Council received the consulting team's Final Report and directed staff to use the Draft Sustainable Development Guidelines contained in that Report as input to the development of sustainability performance measures and benchmarks for Seaton, and as input to the sustainability components of the Pickering Official Plan Review; and

WHEREAS the Draft Guidelines apply to neighbourhood plans, plans of subdivision, site plans, rezoning applications and building permits; and

WHEREAS the Draft Guidelines establish three Levels of Sustainability; and

WHEREAS on October 20, 2008, Council adopted Resolution 206/08 that among other things requires that a report be submitted with all development applications demonstrating how the site development and building design/construction is consistent with the City's Sustainable Development Guidelines; and

WHEREAS on April 20, 2009, Council adopted Amendment 17 to the Pickering Official Plan setting out the requirements for complete applications for official plan amendments, zoning amendments, plans of subdivision and condominium, and site plans, that among other things requires the submission of a "Sustainable Development Report" which Report would evaluate the application in relation to the City's Draft Guidelines; and

WHEREAS the Draft Guidelines were discussed at a recent meeting of the Sustainable Pickering Advisory Committee, and consideration was given to the need to establish a minimum level of sustainability in relation to the Draft Guidelines;

WHEREAS the Sustainable Pickering Advisory Committee and Staff continue to refine the guidelines to improve their effectiveness in evaluating development proposals; and

WHEREAS the minimum level of required sustainability is anticipated to increase over time as technology evolves and sustainable elements become better integrated in standard development practice;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Pickering hereby requires that all future neighbourhood plans, draft plans of subdivision, official plan amendments, and zoning amendments that are recommended to Council for approval, and all site plans considered by the Site Plan Advisory Committee, achieve as a minimum, a rating of Level 1 in relation to the City's Draft Sustainable Development Guidelines, except where circumstances preclude this minimum being achieved, and where such circumstances are explained in the related report to Council or conveyed to Committee Members at the Site Plan Advisory Committee Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY  
ON A RECORDED VOTE