City of Mississauga

Corporate Report



Date: February 14, 2023

To: Chair and Members of General Committee

From: Raj Sheth, P.Eng, Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services

Meeting date: March 8, 2023

Subject

2022 Obsolete Policies and Procedures

Recommendation

That Corporate Policy and Procedure - 09-00-01 - Corporate Environmental Principles, attached as Appendix 1 to the report dated February 14, 2023 from the Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services, entitled "2022 Obsolete Policies and Procedures", be rescinded.

Executive Summary

- Corporate Policies and Procedures are regularly reviewed
- Staff responsible for reviewing Corporate Policies and Procedures may determine that a
 policy is no longer required and request that it be rescinded
- Corporate Policy and Procedure 09-00-01 Corporate Environmental Principles, introduced in 1997, has been effective, has now become embedded in the day-to-day actions of the City, and therefore is no longer required as a stand-alone policy.

Background

All Corporate Policies and Procedures are regularly reviewed to ensure that they remain current:

- Most Corporate Policies and Procedures, including 09-00-01 Corporate Environmental Principles, are reviewed on a three (3) year cycle.
- Where required by legislation, policies are reviewed annually.
- Where applicable to a term of Council, policies are reviewed on a four (4) year cycle

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In the course of a scheduled review in 2022, departmental staff from the Environment Section, Parks, Forestry and Environment Division (Owner of the policy) identified that Corporate Policy and Procedure - 09-00-01 - Corporate Environmental Principles is no longer required.

Comments

The Corporate Environmental Principles policy was first introduced in 1997. The principles set out in the policy can be grouped into three categories:

- 1. Principles that foster regulatory compliance and promote due diligence
- 2. Principles that promote corporate stewardship and environmental risk management, and
- 3. Principles that promote community partnerships to achieve environmental stewardship

Over the past twenty-five years, the principles have been thoroughly embedded in City operations by aligning the principles with corporate strategies, policies and programs.

Examples of corporate strategies that are aligned with the Corporate Environmental Principles policy include, but are not limited to, the <u>Strategic Plan</u>, the <u>Transportation Master Plan</u> and its supporting <u>Cycling</u> and <u>Pedestrian Plans</u>, <u>Climate Change Action Plan</u>, <u>MiWay Five Transit Service Plan</u>, <u>MiWay's Infrastructure Growth Plan</u>, <u>5 Year Energy Conservation Plan</u>, <u>Corporate Green Building Standards</u>, <u>Parks and Forestry Master Plan</u>, <u>Natural Heritage and Urban Forest Strategy</u>, <u>Urban Forest Management Plan</u>, <u>Invasive Species Management Plan and Implementation Strategy</u>, and the <u>Peel Zero Emission Vehicle Strategy</u>.

<u>Sustainable Procurement</u>, <u>Disposal of Surplus City Assets</u> and <u>Corporate Green Fleet and Equipment</u> are examples of Corporate Policies and Procedures aligned with the principles.

The principles are also imbedded in the projects and programs that we have developed in our environmental educational programs, at our parks and in our forests, through our commitment to low impact developments, the purchase of electric vehicles and second-generation hybrid buses, incorporating sustainable design principles to buildings and by building energy efficient facilities.

While the journey to environmental sustainability excellence continues, the intent of the Corporate Environmental Principles policy has been achieved and City staff recommend rescinding this policy.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact resulting from the Recommendation in this report.

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Conclusion

For the reasons outlined in this report, Corporate Policy and Procedure - 09-00-01 - Corporate Environmental Principles has been effective and has now become embedded in the day-to-day actions of the City and therefore a stand alone policy is no longer required.

Attachments

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Appendix 1: Corporate Policy and Procedure – 09-00-01 – Corporate Environmental Principles.

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