

In accordance with the notice and submission deadline requirements of Sections 11.1 of the City of Thorold's Procedural By-law, the City Clerk received from Councillor Sentance a motion to be brought forward for consideration at the May 30, 2023 Council meeting respecting a request for a staff report concerning the development and implementation of a tree giveaway and rain barrel program.

WHEREAS the City of Thorold recognizes the importance of preserving and enhancing the natural environment for the health and well-being of its residents;

WHEREAS promoting sustainable practices and conservation initiatives aligns with the City's commitment to environmental stewardship; and

WHEREAS a tree giveaway and rain barrel sale program can contribute to the improvement of air quality, stormwater management, and overall environmental sustainability.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the City of Thorold enact as follows:

1. That staff **BE DIRECTED** to prepare a report outlining the feasibility, cost implications and potential implementation strategies for a tree giveaway and rain barrel sale program; and
2. That staff **CONSULT** the Environment, Climate Change, and Biodiversity Advisory Committee on the process and draft before bringing the report to Council.