

Title: Endorsement of CHAR Technologies

Report Number: CAO 2021-09

Meeting Date: Tuesday, December 21, 2021 Report Prepared: Friday December 3, 2021

RECOMMENDATION(S):

THAT the proposal from CHAR Technologies Ltd., respecting their Thorold Biomass Pyrolysis Project – Biomass to Renewable Natural Gas and Biocarbon, be supported, in principle; and

THAT the City of Thorold has no obligation for funding relating to this project.

REPORT:

At its regular meting of Council held on September 21, 2021, Council approved the following resolution regarding the CHAR Technologies presentation:

Andrew White, Chief Executive Officer, CHAR Technologies Ltd.

MOVED BY: Councillor Handley SECONDED BY: Councillor Longo

THAT Council request Niagara Region to provide their input and support for the project following CHAR Technologies presentation to Regional Council; and

THAT the Director of Public Works and Community Services be directed to contact the City of London for additional information regarding the Clean Energy Plant.

Niagara Region has received the presentation at Regional Council. At it its meeting held on November 18, 2021, passed the following recommendation of its Public Works Committee:

That the presentation from CHAR Technologies Ltd., respecting Thorold Biomass Pyrolysis Project – Biomass to Renewable Natural Gas and Biocarbon, BE RECEIVED;

That Regional Council SUPPORT IN PRINCIPLE CHAR Technologies Ltd. proposed Thorold Biomass Pyrolysis Project with no obligation for funding from the Region; and

That a copy of this motion BE CIRCULATED to the City of Thorold.

Given that the Region has vetted the presentation and accepts, in principle, the project, staff are now providing Council with the opportunity to support the same resolution.

BUDGETARY STATUS:

There are no financial impacts associated with this report.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Business and Economic Growth

CANADIAN CONTENT:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

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