Appendix B - Environmental Policy Advisory Committee Comments on Staff Report Recommendations and Comments Regarding Reducing Litter and Waste in Our Communities: Discussion Paper, Issued by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, through EBR Notice posting - # 013-4689

Date: May 1, 2019
To: Chair and Members Committee of the Whole – Operations and Administration
From: Chair Ken Burns,
On behalf of the Environmental Policy Advisory Committee
Re: Reducing Litter and Waste in Our Communities: Discussion Paper from the Ministry of the Environment

Please be advised that the Environmental Policy Advisory Committee at its meeting held April 25, 2019 passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS one of Brantford’s strategic objectives is Environmental Leadership;
and

WHEREAS being a leader means supporting leading and transformative positions; and

WHEREAS the AMO response paper on waste takes a strong leadership position on waste reduction and waste diversion; and

WHEREAS the AMO paper, included as Appendix A of Report No.2019-278, connects the importance of increasing waste diversion targets and providing the development of a fully-funded EPR (Extended Producer Responsibility) program for the Provincial Blue Box plan;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:
A. THAT the Environmental Policy Advisory Committee recommends that Recommendation B of Report No. 2019-278 BE AMENDED to remove the words “and most importantly increase the financing to operate these programs, in particular the provincial Blue Box Program Plan”; and

B. THAT Recommendation D of the report BE AMENDED by repealing the current wording and replacing it with the following:

“THAT the City of Brantford VERY STRONGLY SUPPORTS the AMO response to the Discussion Paper for Reducing Litter and Waste in Our Communities, as outlined in Appendix “A”, to increase waste diversion within the Province and mostly importantly increase the financing to operate these programs, in particular the provincial Blue Box Program Plan, and these comments supporting a local and broader municipal perspective from across the province, also BE SUBMITTED in response to the request for input into the Discussion Paper for Reducing Litter and Waste in Our Communities as posted on the Environmental Registry (posting # 013-4689); and”

Ken Burns, Chair
Environmental Policy Advisory Committee