

Notice of Motion - Rallying Federal Support for Extended Producer Responsibility, PFC2019-1529

Councillor Demong

RECOMMENDATION:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED ... endorse proposal of the following resolution to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities:

WHEREAS, the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) adopted the Canada-wide Action Plan for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) in 2009, and yet EPR programs are not in place in all provinces and existing programs lack harmonization and consistency;

WHEREAS, EPR shifts the responsibility for managing PPP at end-of-life away from the taxpayer/ratepayer and empowers producers to drive innovation, product harmonization, and enhanced product recyclability;

WHEREAS, while FCM has passed five resolutions on the subject of plastic pollution of which two refer to Producer Responsibility for plastics specifically, there is currently no official FCM policy relating directly to harmonization of EPR for Packaging and Paper Products (PPP);

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities further call on the Government of Canada to create a harmonized regulatory framework for EPR across Canada including all packaging and paper products (PPP), in cooperation with all orders of government, industry and affected stakeholders, allowing for regional considerations and respect for Provincial authority.

Background:

At the 2019 December 03 Priorities and Finance Committee, a decision was approved that this Notice of Motion would be forwarded to the 2019 December 16 Combined Meeting of Council.

Excerpt from the Minutes of the Priorities and Finance Committee, held 2019 December 03:

“9. ITEMS DIRECTLY TO COMMITTEE

Moved by Councillor Davison

That the following Notices of Motion, including Item 10.1 - Notice of Motion PFC2019-1569, be forwarded to Council in an omnibus motion:

9.1 REFERRED REPORTS

9.1.1 Ending The Payment of the Vacation Pay Retirement Allowance, C2019-1472

9.2 NOTICE(S) OF MOTION

9.2.1 Deeming Calgary 9-1-1 an Essential Service at The City of Calgary, PFC2019-1523

9.2.2 Efficient and Effective Parking Management - Calgary Parking Authority (CPA) becoming a “Controlled Corporation” pursuant to Section 75.1 of the Municipal Government Act (MGA), PFC2019-1510

A Notice of Motion checklist was distributed with respect to Notice of Motion PFC2019-1510.

9.2.3 Rallying Federal Support for Extended Producer Responsibility, PFC2019-1529

9.2.4 Ending the Payment of the City Council Transition Allowance, PFC2019-1552

The following documents were distributed with respect to Notice of Motion PFC2019-1552:

- A revised Notice of Motion; and
- A Notice of Motion checklist.

MOTION CARRIED”

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Notice of Motion, PFC2019-1523
2. Notice of Motion Checklist, PFC2019-1523
3. Extended Producer Responsibility
4. AUMA Request for Decision