



Township of

North Dundas

COUNCIL REPORT

To:	CAO, Mayor and Members of Council
From:	Rob Hunter, CMM
Date of Meeting:	April 29, 2014
Subject:	Economic Development Report - March 2014

1.0 Investment Attraction

1.1 Industrial Sector Investment Attraction

A) I received an inquiry from this company regarding a potential Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to provide them with any assistance they require as we move forward. (FILE ID # I-0314-AA)

B) I continue to have discussions with the representatives from this company that is looking at making an Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. (FILE ID # I-1013-AA)

C) I received an inquiry from this company regarding a potential Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to provide them with any assistance they require as we move forward. (FILE ID # I-0314-BB)

D) I continue to have discussions and meetings with the principles of this company in regards to their proposed Industrial investment in the Township. (FILE ID # I-1112-AA)

1.2 Commercial Sector Investment Attraction

A) I continue to have discussions with the principals of this company in regards to their Commercial investment in the Township. I will continue to assist them we move forward.
(FILE ID # C-0513-AA)

B) I continue to have talks with the owner of this company who is considering making a Commercial investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward.
(FILE ID # C-0114-AA)

1.3 Service Sector Investment Attraction

A) I had initial discussions with a businessperson that is looking at the possibility of making a Service sector investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. (FILE ID # S-0314-AA)

2.0 Business Expansions

2.1 Industrial Business Expansion

A) I continue to have discussions with a number of senior management representatives from this company in regards to a potential Industrial expansion in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. (FILE ID # I-0114-AA)

B) I continue to have discussions with this company in regards to the proposed expansion of this business and also continue to work with the Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Innovation in regards to this proposed investment. I am will continue to assist the company as they move forward with their expansion plans. (FILE ID # I-0712-AA)

C) I continue to have discussions with representatives of this company in regards to a potential Industrial expansion. I will continue to work with them as we move forward.
(FILE ID # I-0713-CC)

2.2 Commercial Business Expansion

A) I have had discussions with the owner of this company in regards to a potential Commercial expansion in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward.

(FILE ID # C-1213-AA)

B) I have had discussions with the owner of this company in regards to a potential Commercial expansion of their business in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. (FILE ID # C-1113-BB)

3.0 Marketing and Communications

3.1 Website and Social Media

Website updates are continuing to be made in-house and we also continue to make use of our Facebook page and Twitter account as a communications vehicle to get the word out regarding events that are happening in the Township and public notices.

3.2 Networking, Events and Meetings

A) I attended the North Stormont Mayor's Breakfast that was held on March 3rd.

B) I attended a meeting with representatives from the North Dundas Arts Council to discuss some of their 2014 initiatives.

C) I attended the Ontario East Economic Development Commission meeting that was held in Brockville on March 25th.

D) I attended a meeting of representatives from MMAH along with Township employees and stakeholders from other Municipalities in SD & G regarding CIP/Brownfield's. This meeting was a pre-cursor to the United Counties of SD & G holding a public meeting in April to discuss the possibility of the Counties supporting lower-tier CIP/Brownfield programs.

E) I attended the monthly SD & G EDO working group meeting held in South Stormont on March 20th.

F) I participated in the Township Driver Training course held on March 11th.

4.0 Other Economic Development Dept Initiatives

4.1 Joint Federal/Provincial JCP program

I prepared a funding application and submitted it to the joint Federal/Provincial JCP program that is administered by the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities.

4.2 Community Improvement Plan Marketing

I spoke with a number of people regarding questions they had about the CIP program and the application intake process.

It is hoped that the Community Improvement Plan Review Committee will bring forth a report that will outline the recommendations for funding under the CIP program for 2014, during the April 29th Council meeting.

Submitted by: _____


Rob Hunter

Approved by: _____


Angela Rutley, CAO