



Township of

North Dundas

COUNCIL REPORT

To:	CAO, Mayor and Members of Council
From:	Rob Hunter, CMM
Date of Meeting:	January 7, 2014
Subject:	Economic Development Report

1.0 Investment Attraction

1.1 Industrial Sector Investment Attraction

A) 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)

B) I continue to have discussions with the representative of this company in regards to a potential Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. (FILE ID # I-1013-BB)

C) I continue to have discussions with a representative of this company in regards to a potential Industrial investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. (FILE ID # I-0913-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 agent who represents a company that is looking at the possibility of making a Commercial investment in the Township. I will continue to work with them as we move forward. (FILE ID # C-0913-AA)

2.0 Business Expansions

2.1 Industrial Business Expansion

A) 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)

B) 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

Website updates are continuing to be made in-house.

3.2 Social Media

We continue to make use of our Facebook page and Twitter account as a communications vehicle to get the word out in regards to public notices or events that are happening in the Township.

3.3 Networking, Events and Meetings

A) I attended the SDG Local Immigrant Partnership meeting held in Winchester on December 5, 2013. The meeting was held to discuss progress made during the year and plans for 2014.

B) I attended the Warden's Inauguration held at the United Counties building in Cornwall on December 6, 2013.

C) I had a number of meetings with key economic development stakeholders in Cornwall on December 6th. They included meeting with Candy Pollard from the Small Business Enterprise Centre, Linda Wilson from Cornwall and the Counties Tourism and Denis Thibault from the Eastern Ontario Training Board.

D) I had a meeting with Grace Hodder from Fed Dev to discuss some new Fed Dev funding programs that they are rolling out.

E) I had a meeting with Donna from the Winchester Press to discuss Township advertising.

F) I had a meeting with Owen Shortt from the North Dundas Chamber of Commerce to discuss Chamber plans for 2014 and potential project partnerships.

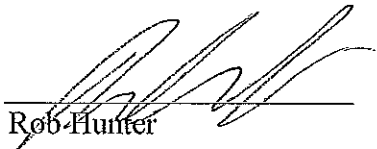
G) I had a meeting with Libby Smith from The Great Waterway (RTO9) to discuss regional tourism initiatives for 2014.

4.0 Other Economic Development Dept Initiatives

4.1 Department Budget for 2014

I met with the Mayor, CAO and Treasurer to make some final adjustments to the 2014 Economic Development and Communication department budget.

Submitted by: _____


Rob Hunter

Approved by: _____


Angela Rutley, CAO