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2 JULY 2015

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EXTRAIT DE L'ÉBAUCHE DU
PROCÈS-VERBAL 6
LE 2 JULY 2015

**COUNCILLORS' ITEMS** 

**COUNCILLOR G. DAROUZE** 

TWO YEAR PROGRAM TO OFFSET COSTS FOR PRIVATE SEPTIC SYSTEMS WHICH REQUIRE INSPECTION DUE TO SOURCE WATER PROTECTION PLANS

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## REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee recommend Council:

- Direct staff to work with the Ottawa Septic System Office to develop a two year program to offset costs for private septic systems which require inspection as a result of the Source Water Protection Plans; and
- 2. Approve that a budget be established for this program not to exceed \$50,000 per year and operate within the existing budget envelope for the Rural Affairs Office; and,
- Approve that any further extension of the program beyond the initial two years require subsequent Council approval.

Chair Moffatt stated that the Province assisted in funding this type of program for

14 other municipalities but not the City of Ottawa. Councillor Darouze commented that this was not fair for residents and the city has to step forward to assist since the province won't. He noted that perhaps in the future it could be financed through developers or development charges.

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The Councillors asked why the City of Ottawa was not being assisted. Adam Brown, Manager of Development Review in the Rural Services responded by saying that the other municipalities assisted were smaller and province assumed that Ottawa was large enough to handle the costs.

Councillor Blais inquired if this amount will impact other programs from the Rural Affairs office. Adam Brown stated that it would not affect programs, mainly administrative operations.

After discussion, the Committee CARRIED this item as presented.

## **DIRECTION TO STAFF:**

The Chair to work with Staff to inquire from the Province the reason why the City of Ottawa was not receiving funding as per 14 other municipalities.