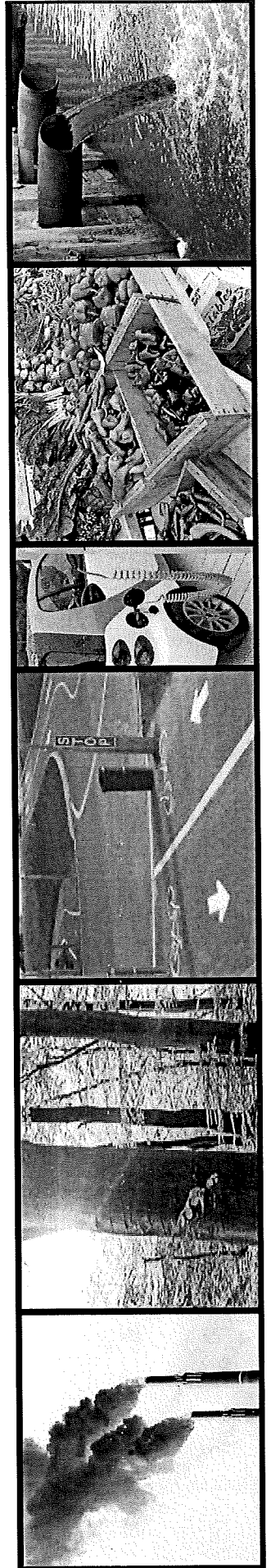


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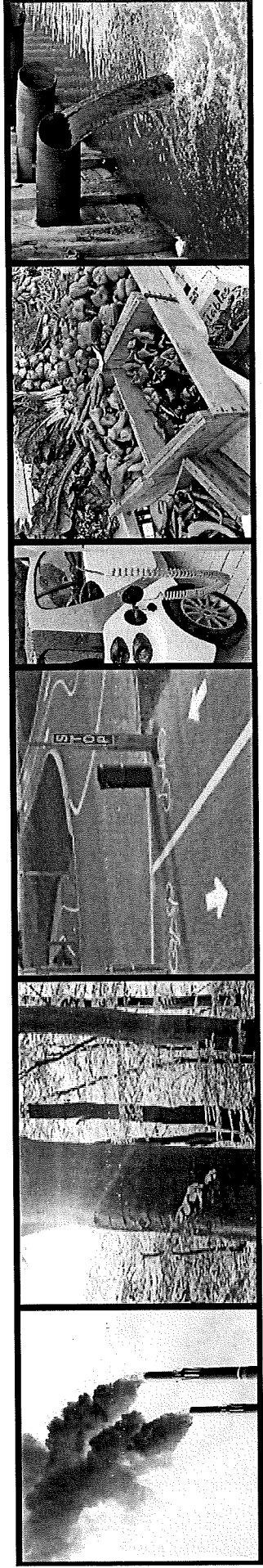


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Averil Parent
Environment & Sustainability coordinator, City of Windsor

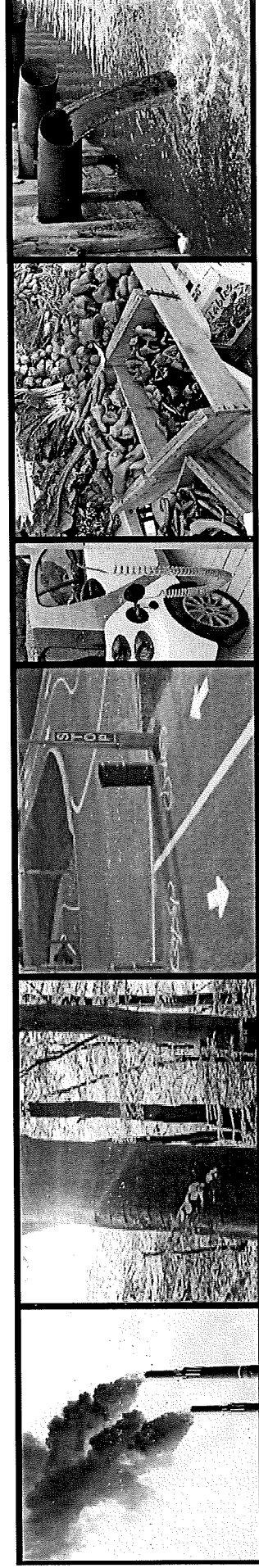
Karen Kadour
Committee Clerk, City of Windsor

Funding:
\$4,000 from the City of Windsor
\$4,000 from the County of Essex



Mandate

- WECEC was established as a volunteer advisory committee through resolutions of Windsor City Council and the County of Essex within the meaning of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2005, c.25 (the 'Act')
- WECEC receives referrals to address specific environmental concerns from the City of Windsor, County of Essex and its area municipalities, as well as,
- WECEC is proactive and will advise City/County Council on matters identified through its own initiative.
- All recommendations will be approved by City/County Council prior to making any recommendations to a third party and/or private agency.

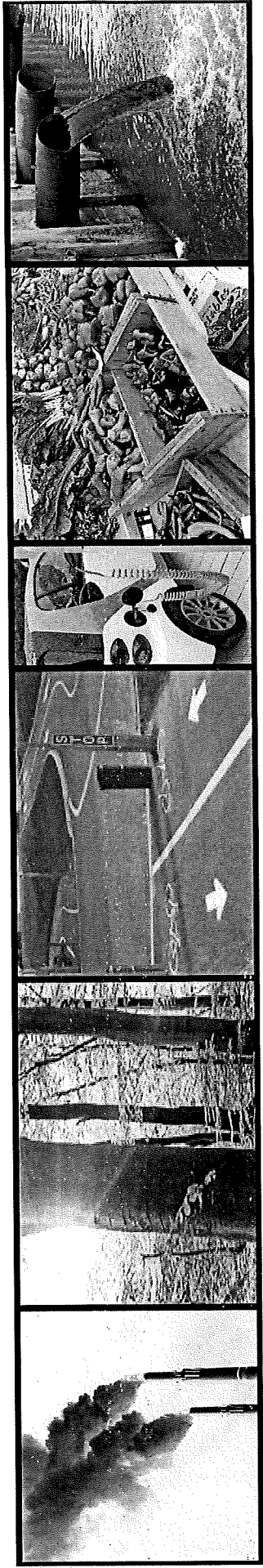


Meetings

- Bi-monthly meetings, generally the last Thursday of the month.
- Ojibway Nature Centre, 5pm
- Open to the public and to the media
- Paperless agenda? We could use a projector and screen

Website & Social Media

- www.wecec.org
- Please send me a short biography and photo for the website
- WECEC also has a Facebook Page



Past Initiatives - Green Speakers

From Heritage River to Conservation Vision to International Action: Conservation Opportunities along the Detroit River

FREE public lecture with diverse new perspectives on the Detroit River and IJC/RCPAC Conservation

Thursday October 22nd
7:00-8:00pm
Ojibway Nature Centre
100 Wabigoon Drive

Presented by:
Anthony GM Richard Wynia

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**Environment
Commissioner of Ontario
Gord Miller**

**"Climate Change and Bio Diversity
Challenges for Southwestern Ontario"**

Saturday, May 12th
10:00-12:00pm
Dr. David Suzuki Public School
6920 Raymond Ave
Light refreshments at 10:00am
Speaker begins at 10:30am

This event is FREE!

Put the best of both worlds together!
An opportunity to hear from the former Ontario Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, and a leading environmental scientist, as they discuss the challenges of climate change and biodiversity in Southwestern Ontario.

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Walkable and Livable Communities Institute

On Friday, June 7th WEDCC will continue their Green Speaker Series and host Dan Bunker, Co-Executive Director of innovation and inspiration at the **WALKABLE** and **LIVABLE COMMUNITIES INSTITUTE**.

Don't miss how creating more walkable streets can contribute to healthier, more vibrant communities with thriving economies. Findings from this workshop and a walking tour can be repeated throughout the City of Windsor.

How can Windsor better contribute to creating walkable and livable communities?

The event will take place at the Walkerville Brewery 525 Asyle Road.
To register for this workshop please email aparent@city.windsor.on.ca

Windsor Essex County SUSTAINMENT COMMITTEE

SURVIVAL GUIDE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

FREE TO ATTEND!

Thursday May 3rd 2016
Ojibway Nature Centre
100 Wabigoon Drive
7:00-8:00pm

Dr. Brian Thompson
Director, Windsor Essex County
Sustainability Committee

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**Invasive Phragmites:
Expert Panel**

Join the Discussion!
Impact and information
on the Phragmites
in Windsor

Join the
Speaker Series
at 7:00pm
Essex County Civic Centre
1800 Riverside Walk, Exeter
519-251-1111 ext. 2579 or
www.windsor.ca

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**A Guide to Home
Energy Efficiency
in Windsor**

Introducing
Michael Schneider

Brought to you by
Windsor Essex County
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Free to Attend

Join Us
Wednesday 27th 2013
Capitol Theatre
121 University Ave W
Windsor, Ontario N9A 5K6
Registration at 6:30am

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Elizabeth May

"Comparative in policy-making
the climate, and why"
"Look to the future"

An expert feasibility assessment of the local business
from the 2011 International Conference on Climate Change, London 2011.

Saturday, January 26th
Dr. David Suzuki Public School
6920 Raymond Ave
Windsor, Ontario
Registration begins at 10:00am

This event is FREE. Registration must be done by colleen.211@windsor.ca

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**Consumed:
Food for a Finite Planet**

Thursday, October 26th at 7:00pm
Capitol Theatre (121 University Ave W)
Please register by calling 311/211

Green Speaker Series
FREE TO ATTEND!

Presented by:
Sarah Elton, Director of Environment and Energy

Windsor Essex County SUSTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Community Energy Planning

Starting the conversation on the future of energy in the City of Windsor

Thursday, March 15th
10:00-11:00am
Ojibway Nature Centre
100 Wabigoon Drive

Presented by:
Peter Gerlach
Public Services & Planning

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**Microplastics in the Great Lakes:
Contaminants You Can "See"**

Presented by:
Dr. Paul Babin
Senior Research Scientist
Great Lakes with
Ministry of the
Environment and Climate
Change

FREE event
Ojibway Nature Centre
Wednesday November 14th
7:30pm

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**NEONICOTINOIDS:
A LAMENT FOR POLLINATORS**

FREE public lecture from
"Fly for
Pollinator Program Manager
Susan Chan

Thursday, April 16th
7:00-8:00pm
Ojibway Nature Centre
100 Wabigoon Drive

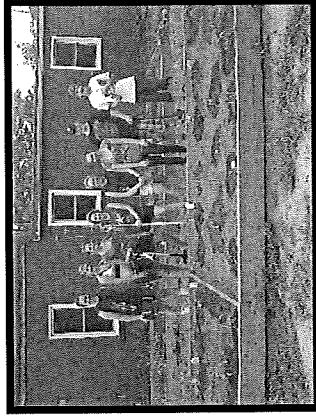
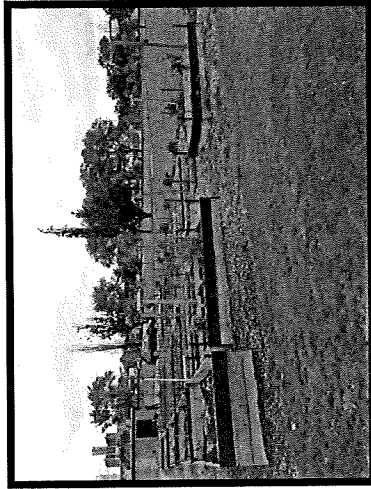
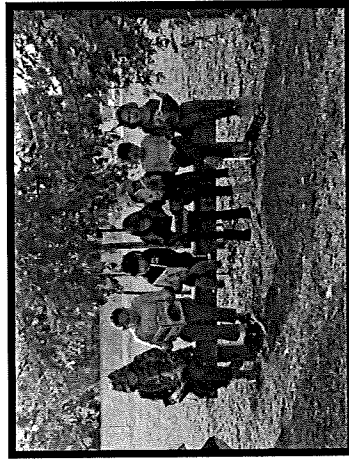
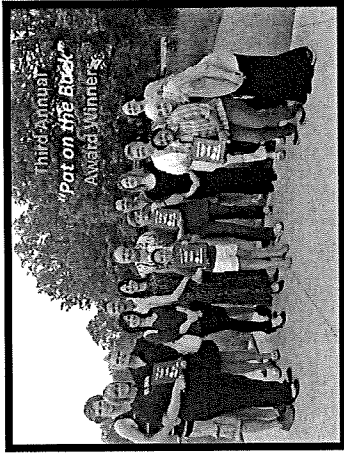
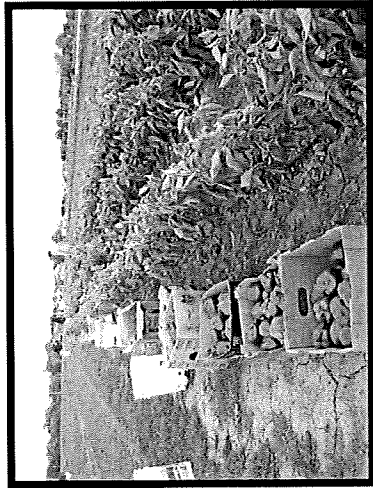
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**Concerned about BLUE-GREEN ALGAE
in our precious Lakes and Rivers?**

Presented by:
Chris McKeath
Senior Research Scientist
Great Lakes with
Ministry of the
Environment and Climate
Change


Thursday, May 14th
7:00-8:00pm
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Past Initiatives - Pat on the Back

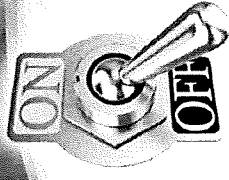


Past Initiatives – Awareness

WINDSOR ESSEX COUNTY ENERGY CONSERVATION


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**IF IT'S NOT IN USE,
TURN OFF THE JUICE!**



- Switch off electronics on standby and save up to 10% on your electricity bill. Turn them off at the wall when not in use.
- Use the cool cycle on your washing machine. Washing at 30°C uses a third less electricity
- Compact fluorescent light bulbs use 75% less energy than an equivalent incandescent bulb.
- Defrost fridges and freezers regularly to improve their efficiency

**SMARTER
WHSI**

Adapting to Climate Change can lead to a Resilient Windsor-Essex.



Green Business
Community Energy Projects

**FREE Speakers and Workshops at
 University of Windsor
 Ambassador Auditorium
 Friday, February 11th
 9:00am – 3:00pm**

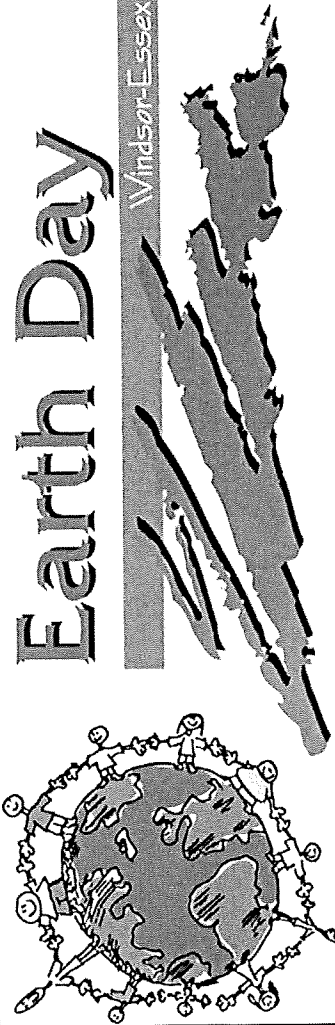
Keynote Speaker
Bob Willard
 Renowned business
 sustainability expert
 and author.

Call 211 (weekdays 7am-7pm) to register.

LOCAL ACTION!


**Municipal
 Adaptation**
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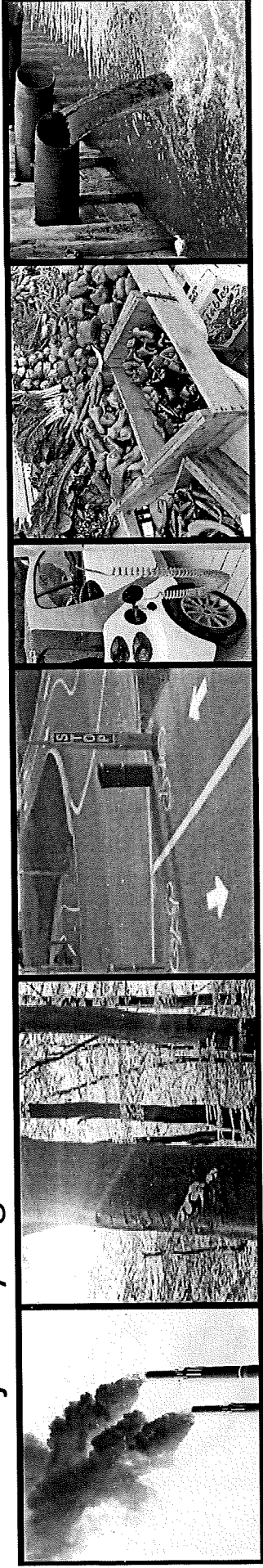
Earth Day



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Past Initiatives – Motions to Council

- Protect Ojibway Shores
- Proposed closure of Matchette Rd
- ERCA to hire an outreach coordinator
- Nuclear power plant safety
- Tree planting to connect airport woodlots
- Fluoride
- Support for an Urban Forest Management Plan
- Prevention of PET COKE stored along the Detroit River
- Regional Transit
- Megahospital location
- Consideration of a tree by-law
- Ojibway big box store



Kadour, Karen

From: Tom Henderson <henderson99@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, April 20, 2019 2:14 PM
To: Kadour, Karen
Subject: Henderson Presentation to WECEC April 25, 2019

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Ms. Kadour,

Please accept my submission for the WECEC Meeting of April 25, 2019.

If possible, I respectfully request that you provide a table drop for those in attendance. Thank you for your assistance.

Tom Henderson 519-945-0425

Councillors, Committee Members, Staff and Guests,

I'm Tom Henderson chair of the Public Advisory Council, Detroit River Canadian Cleanup. Also presenting today is Hilary Payne. At the time of the 2013 tree planting he was the city councillor for Ward 9 which includes the Windsor airport.

Why plant trees?

Windsor-Essex has one of the lowest amount of tree cover of any county in Ontario. Trees improve air quality, help fight climate change and raise oxygen levels. Our region's goal is to raise our inadequate tree cover to 12% in order to catch up with other areas.

Why did the City of Windsor, the Essex Region Conservation Authority and the Detroit River Canadian Cleanup decide to plant trees at the Windsor Airport in 2013? The goal was to join the central and easternmost woodlands to create an interior forest. It would have been the only one of its kind in the City of Windsor and help increase the level of tree cover in Windsor-Essex.

Plans were approved by Windsor City Council and planting commenced in May 2013 at a cost of 30,000 dollars. ERCA biologists checked the progress and reported that the survival rate exceeded expectations. The small, seven and a half acre planting area was dwarfed by over 100 acres of woodlands surrounding them. Airport staff raised no objections to the project based on safety factors at that time. Then, abruptly in 2015 supposedly due to safety concerns, airport management forbade ERCA from entering the property to maintain the trees. In short order airport staff reported that 90% of the trees were dead. Of course they were. Management had refused ERCA entry.

The basic question: if airport safety was a concern in 2015, why was planting allowed in 2013? Where were the safety worries when the project began?

Tom Henderson, Chair
Public Advisory Council, Detroit River Canadian Cleanup
Windsor, Ontario

TREE PLANTING AT AIRPORT

The following are comments on the report to WECEC dated April 16th 2019 from YQG

- 1 This paragraph acknowledges the permission of Council to plant trees at the Airport but also states that there was no YQG Board Approval. This is not correct. A report to Council dated April 26th 2013 stated that “YQG has reviewed the request and is satisfied that the planting of trees will not negatively affect airport operations”
- 2-4 These paragraphs have nothing whatever to do with the present controversy

The YQG Report in no way justifies the actions taken by Airport Administration in 2015 **which led to the demise of the trees planted** and WECEC is asked to approve the attached Motion for submission to City Council

Hilary Payne April 22nd 2019

Motion

Whereas the Essex Region Conservation Authority and the Detroit River Cleanup received the approval of City Council and the concurrence of YQG to plant trees and shrubs at the Airport on a 7.5 acre parcel between the two existing woodlots at a cost of \$30,000 utilizing ERCA Staff and DRC Volunteers plus elementary school students in the Spring of 013 .

Whereas 84% of the trees and shrubs were reported surviving as of Fall 2014 as per surveys completed by ERCA Staff .

Whereas in Spring of 2015 Airport Staff refused ERCA permission to enter the planted area to maintain the planting resulting in a 90% loss of the plants as determined by Airport Staff due to weeds and grass taking over the planted area .

Therefore be it resolved that City Council be asked to approve the transfer of \$30,000 from YQG to ERCA for tree planting elsewhere in the City and / or County