

## MEMORANDUM

TO:

**Mayor and Members of Council** 

FROM:

Jim Baird, Commissioner of Development Services

PREPARED BY:

Scott Heaslip, Senior Project Coordinator, Central District

DATE:

June 14, 2011

RE:

**Petition to Council** 

**Constrada Aggregate Recycling Facility** 

350 Rodick Road

The following update is provided as background for today's deputation and petition on this matter.

Gemross Developments (Constrada) operates an aggregate recycling facility on the east side of Rodick Road, south of Highway 7. This facility was approved by the Town in 2002 as a temporary use, not to exceed 6 years. In 2005, the temporary use by-law was extended for three years, to a maximum total of 6 years.

On May 7, 2008, Constrada applied to extend the temporary use by-law for an additional three years.

On November 18, 2008, a public meeting was held to consider the requested extension. Committee raised a number of issues and concerns, including site contamination, truck traffic, the economics of environmental remediation, truck circulation patterns, guarantees that the use will not become permanent, and sediment control. Committee referred the application back to staff for a report and recommendation.

On June 2, 2009, staff reported to Development Services Committee recommending that the application be denied. Committee resolved to defer a decision on the application and directed staff to explore opportunities together with the applicant to establish a reserve fund that will be put toward the future clean up of the site, and to review and report back on the environmental conditions and monitoring program.

In 2009 and 2010, staff had discussions with the applicant focusing on the following items:

- Environment in particular particulates, dust and runoff into Beaver Creek.
- Establishing a "reserve fund" for future site remediation and re-use.
- Long term future of the site.

Staff have been following up regularly with Constrada on the status of additional submissions. We are advised that technical studies have been prepared and will be submitted shortly. The agent for the applicant also advises that they will be making a written submission to the Town regarding timing of relocation and site remediation.

It is anticipated that a Planning staff report to Development Services Committee will be brought forward in the fall of this year.