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Community Door has been successful in creating two thriving, sustainable human service hubs within the Region of Peel, serving close to 100,000 Mississauga and Brampton residents every year. The hubs house eleven service agencies that provide a range of services such as: training, employment and career development programs and services; volunteer services; newcomer assistance; and, assistance for seniors, mental health, physical, and developmental disabilities for individuals and families.

Shelley White stated that the Region of Peel's support will continue to be invaluable to Community Door with respect to providing human services data; demographic data; planning and real estate information; sharing the Region's vision for human services and how Community Door can contribute; and, being a champion for Community Door.

For further information, please visit:
<http://www.communitydoor.ca/>

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Justin Terry, Regional Economic Analyst, Transport Canada, Regarding the Region of Peel Staff Report titled "Establishing the Smart Freight Centre – Working with a Collaborative Network to Improve Goods Movement in Peel Region"

Regional Council received a delegation from Justin Terry, Regional Economic Analyst, Transport Canada, who highlighted Supply Chain Visibility projects across the country that are aimed at improving the movement of goods. He highlighted the importance of gaining a better understanding of eCommerce; a growing business that is impacting how deliveries are carried out on a daily basis, as well as, understanding key stakeholders' positions on these key channels that are now coming to the forefront.

Regional Council approved staff's recommendation to enter into a Collaboration Agreement to establish the Smart Freight Centre, as described in the Report of the Commissioner of Public Works titled "Establishing the Smart Freight Centre – Working With a Collaborative Network to Improve Goods Movement in Peel Region". The Region of Peel will provide funding to McMaster University, the University of Toronto, and York University

The following are decisions made by Regional Council on Thursday, April 26, 2018.

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- [Update on Peel's Changing Economic Environment](#)

Delegations

Shelley White, Board Chair and Margo Hunnisett, Vice-Chair, Community Door Services Network, Providing an Update Regarding the Community Door Initiatives

Regional Council received an update from Shelley White, Board Chair and Margo Hunnisett, Vice-Chair, Community Door Services Network, regarding the Community Door Initiatives. The delegates advised that Community Door was established in 2011 and builds the capacity, accessibility and quality of human services in the Region of Peel. Funding received from the Region of Peel enabled Community Door to invest in income generation, implementation of cost saving opportunities, financial management and operational oversight, with the objective to create a thriving, sustainable human services hub for the community.

for the establishment of the Smart Freight Centre, in the annual amount not to exceed \$240,000 for an initial 12 month term.

Staff will report back to Regional Council in 2019 with a recommendation on exercising the option to extend agreement(s) for up to four additional one-year periods in accordance with the terms of the agreement(s), subject to program performance and progress, service, in-kind contributions, and approved capital budget.

For further information, please visit: [Report Item 12.4](#)

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Enterprise Programs and Services

Update on Peel’s Changing Economic Environment

Regional Council received a presentation from Norm Lum, Director, Business and Financial Planning and Judith McWhinney, Economist, who provided an update on the changing economic environment, the potential implications for Regional services and the Region of Peel’s long term financial condition.

Judith McWhinney advised that ongoing changes, such as global uncertainties, a more stringent regulatory environment in Ontario, higher inflation and interest rates, will create a higher cost business environment in the Region of Peel. Together with ongoing impacts from the aging population, technological advancement and geopolitical and economic shifts, the changing economic environment will help to influence changes to ensure that the Region of Peel remains flexible and adaptable to successfully manage any of the economic scenarios that may unfold in the future.

Norm Lum advised that the Region of Peel’s financial health is assessed by balancing three pillars: Financial Sustainability, Financial Vulnerability and Financial Flexibility. Region of Peel staff are refreshing the Long Term Financial Planning Strategy to assess and mitigate long term financial risks and will be completing a socio-economic research report on the impact of the changing nature of employment, to provide additional insights for policy, decision making and advocacy. Staff will be reporting to Regional Council with the results of the review in Spring, 2019.

For further information, please visit: [Report Item 10.1](#)

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Meetings at a Glance

<p>Next Regional Council Meeting Thursday, May 10, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Next Health System Integration Committee Thursday, May 17, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.</p> <p>Next Waste Management Strategic Advisory Committee Thursday, May 17, 2018 – 11:00 a.m.</p>

All meetings are held in the Region’s Council Chamber, Fifth Floor, 10 Peel Centre Dr., Suite A, Brampton, unless otherwise noted.

For additional information on any of the items or to obtain a copy of a report included in Decisions, please contact the Region of Peel, Clerk’s Office at 905-791-7800, ext. 4526.

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