



Report to: General Committee

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SUBJECT: North American Society of Trenchless Technology (NASTT)
"2011 Municipal and Utility Achievement Award"

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RECOMMENDATION:

- 1) That Mayor Frank Scarpitti and Councillor Alex Chiu, on behalf of the Town of Markham, receive the North American Society of Trenchless Technology (NASTT) "2011 Municipal and Utility Achievement Award";
- 2) And further that Council recognizes the Waterworks Department staff for their efforts that resulted in the Town receiving the "2011 Municipal and Utility Achievement Award".

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On its 20th year anniversary and conference, the North American Society of Trenchless Technology (NASTT) on March 30, 2011 awarded the Town of Markham the "2011 Municipal and Utility Achievement Award". This recognition is awarded to exceptional American and Canadian municipalities and utilities for outstanding contribution and achievement in support, development and leadership in trenchless technology for the past 20 years.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the award received from the North American Society of Trenchless Technology (NASTT) in recognition of the Town's Waterworks Department leadership in the application and in support of trenchless technology.

BACKGROUND:

The North American Society of Trenchless Technology is an association composed of municipalities, consultants, academics, contractors, suppliers and related industry members whose purpose is to promote excellence in utilization of the trenchless technology as an alternative to conventional open cut method of construction and rehabilitation of underground infrastructure. Trenchless technology benefits are lower construction cost, minimal environmental impact, minimal surface disturbance, reduced traffic and services interruptions.

The Waterworks Department has been recognized by NASTT as a leading proponent in the use of trenchless technology and for continuously applying trenchless methods of construction in replacement and rehabilitation of the water and sanitary sewer distribution systems. The recognition also credits the Town as an active participant and constant supporter of NASTT.

RECOMMENDED BY:

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