



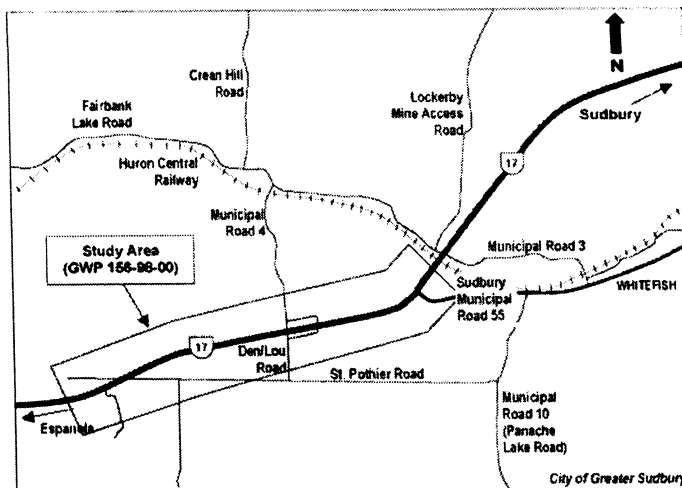
PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE 1
Highway 17 at the west junction of Sudbury Municipal Road 55
(GWP 156-98-00)

Stantec Consulting Ltd. is carrying out a preliminary design study for 6.5 km of Highway 17 in the vicinity of the west junction of Highway 17 and Sudbury Municipal Road 55 on behalf of the Ministry of Transportation. This notice is to announce the first Public Information Centre (PIC).

The purpose of this study is to identify the location and configuration for a new interchange to provide access to the west junction of Sudbury Municipal Road 55 from Highway 17 and replace the existing at-grade intersection. This work includes the planning for the future four-lane alignment of Highway 17, and the preliminary design of an interim two-lane Highway 17.

The purpose of the Public Information Centre is to:

- Display and seek input on alternatives for a new interchange on Highway 17 to access Sudbury Municipal Road 55;
- Display and seek input on access alternatives from Den/Lou Road and Sudbury Municipal Road 55 to Highway 17;
- Display and seek input on alternative alignments for a four-lane Highway 17;
- Seek input on the environmental conditions in the study area (i.e. natural, social, economic and cultural);
- Seek input on the evaluation criteria and process to be used to identify a preferred plan; and
- Answer questions about the study.



The Public Information Centre is scheduled for:

Thursday, May 25, 2006
At the Den/Lou Community Centre
26 Den/Lou Road, Whitefish
4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

A second PIC is scheduled for fall 2006 and will provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the preferred alternative and preliminary design recommendations. A notice will be placed in the newspaper prior to the PIC.

This study is a "Group B" project under the Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000). A Planning, Preliminary Design and Environmental Assessment Report will be prepared and made available for public review.

If you wish to comment on this project, have your name added to the project mailing list or have any questions regarding the study, please contact:

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Comments and information are being collected to assist the MTO in meeting the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. Information will be collected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. All comments will be maintained on file for use during the study and, with the exception of personal information, may be included in study documentation and become part of the public record.

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City of Greater Sudbury
200 Brady Street
Sudbury, Ontario
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ATTENTION: ANGIE HACHE ... CITY CLERK

Dear Ms Hache:

RE: 2006 BUDGET ... SUDBURY METRO CENTRE

Sudbury Metro Centre recently held their **Annual General Meeting - Wednesday, February 22, 2006.**

At this time, Members were provided Information Packages, as well as a verbal presentation including 2005 Highlights and Financial Statements, as well as the 2006 Program and Budget (as approved and recommended by the Board of Directors). Property Owners and Businesses were advised of this meeting through both mailed and hand delivered notices.

Further to presentation, the following resolution related to the 2006 Program and Budget was presented:

AGM-06-01

THAT the General Membership of Sudbury Metro Centre, at the Annual General Meeting held Wednesday, February 22, 2006, approves a 2006 Levy Request of \$400,000, for the purposes of undertaking the operations and programs of Sudbury Metro Centre, as presented by the Board of Directors;

AND FURTHER THAT this represents a 0% increase from members over the last five (5) years - 2002 - 2006.

CARRIED

I have attached 20 copies of the Annual Report, containing the 2006 Budget, for Council and Staff and for final ratification by City Council.

I would also like to request the opportunity for the Board to make a brief presentation to Council at the time this is on the Agenda.

Should you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

Maureen M. Luoma
Executive Director
Att.

ANNUAL REPORT

Volume 1, Issue 1

February 2006

Special points of interest

- New Downtown Vision unveiled in 2005
- Downtown Streetscape Design Concept developed in 2005
- Downtown Directories redesigned in 2005
- Implementation of Streetscape scheduled to begin in 2006
- New Downtown website to be launched in 2006

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Downtown Sudbury ... 'Til You Drop

GET YOUR GROOVE GOING

See what's on tap and cheer the local acts in Downtown Sudbury bars. Watch the latest blockbuster film or catch a live performance with riveting artistic direction. Browse the private and public galleries that feature local artists and world class exhibitions. Get to the pub and catch the game on the big screen or talk the night away under the warm terrace lights of Downtown Sudbury's cafes. Enjoy the Downtown menus, serving up great Canadian comfort food and fine dining alongside cross-cultural restaurants like Japanese, Italian and Mexican. It's all heating up in the heart of Sudbury.

RETAIL THERAPY ...

Get dressed Downtown at Sudbury's finest clothing stores. Go ahead and embrace local culture

by purchasing artwork of Northern artists at various private galleries. Plan your whole day Downtown. Step into the Rainbow Centre and note the convenience of one-stop shopping. Enjoy the ambience of window shopping amongst Downtown Sudbury's more traditional stores and browse the newest companies that have set up shop. It's all nestled in the heart of Sudbury, all under the canopy of great business.

FULL SERVICE ...

Downtown cures what ails you. From state-of-the-art gym facilities to premier medical services, everything is Downtown. Treat yourself at the spa or try a new hairstyle. Find greater convenience by checking-in with Downtown Sudbury's finest hotels or indulge in a local bed and breakfast. All professional, religious and essential living

services are offered Downtown year-round. You'll notice how convenience comes natural for Downtown Sudbury.



Downtown Sudbury ... 'til you drop!!

Who are we?

'Downtown Sudbury' (Sudbury Metro Centre) is your Downtown Business Improvement area (BIA) Association, dedicated to the growth of Downtown through policy development, advocacy, special events and economic development. All 90+ property owners and 400+ businesses that own or lease property within Downtown

Sudbury are members. On their behalf, 'Downtown Sudbury' is proactive in terms of programs and the promotion of area interests.

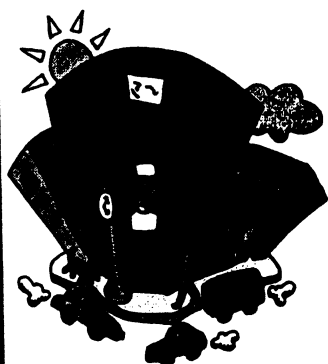
The Mission

To champion a vibrant, healthy and diverse downtown.

The Vision

As the heart of Greater Sudbury, the Downtown will be a true 'people place' that encourages residential development, is pedestrian-friendly, and promotes beautification in an environment consistent with our 'natural' surroundings and lifestyle.

2005 Accomplishments



The Staff and Volunteer Board of Directors of 'Downtown Sudbury' (Sudbury Metro Centre) would like to thank the many who have given time and support over 2005 and we look forward to your continued participation in 2006.

2005 was a very busy year, including ...

MARKETING & SPECIAL EVENTS:

- **Special Events** such as Winter Daze, Downtown Rotary Blues For Food (relocated to Durham St.), Blueberry Festival, Hoe-down, Fall Fair, Good Old Days, Santa Claus Parade, Christmas
- **Marketing Campaign**, including: consistent media campaign ... special member rates with media partners (radio, print, tv) ... 'Walking Tour ... Historical Sites of Downtown Sudbury' (in partnership

with the Greater Sudbury Library) ... use of the Digital Board at Rainbow Centre ... Downtown Directories redesigned ... directional signage program (Tourist Oriented Destination Signs—& - City of Greater Sudbury) ... activity/event brochure

WELL OVER 150,000 PARTICIPATED IN DOWNTOWN ACTIVITIES IN 2005!!

Programs & Projects ...

**'Well over
150,000
participated in
Downtown
Sudbury
activities in
2005!!'**

SAFETY & SECURITY:

- Launched the 'Downtown Ambassador Program' (pilot) ... in partnership with CDI College (Police Foundations Program) & City of Greater Sudbury Police Service
- Received recognition award from the Police Commission for community partnership work with the Ambassador Program

- Co-ordinated a 'Graffiti Eradication Blitz' in partnership with the Police Services and Downtown Property Owners
- Continued to work with the Police on various issues and areas of concern

DEVELOPMENT/DESIGN:

- Strengthened a working partnership with the Greater Sudbury Develop-

ment Corporation (GSDC) and the Downtown Village Development Corporation (DVDC), resulting in 2 major projects ... the development of a new 'Downtown Vision' - & - the development of an overall 'Downtown Streetscape Design Concept'

- Installation of hanging baskets in partnership with the City

... More Programs & Projects ...

TRANSPORTATION:

- Free Parking Program, including: free evenings & weekends at all Municipal Lots & meters ... 2 hours free at 2 Municipal 'Pay & Display' lots ... Beech St. (Christ the King Centre) & Elgin St. (Market Square)
- Sale & distribution of parking stamps & tokens
- Christmas Downtown

'Parking Elves' program

MARKET SQUARE & FARMERS' MARKET:

- Use of Market Square as a community facility and draw for Downtown increased, including: Spring Gardening Festival (April) - attracted over 5,000 Festival of Trees (November) ... attracted over 10,000
- Continued to grow &

develop the Vendor base and community partnerships for the Farmers' Market operation

- 'Christmas at the Market', as one of the many Downtown Christmas activities, attracted over 40 Vendors to participate in each of the three Saturdays in December



2006 Goals ... Highlights

Building on 2005 successes, informal and formal feedback (Oraclepoll Research Member & Consumer Surveys), Committee input, the Board of Directors of 'Downtown Sudbury' has developed a program for 2006 that will continue to create and develop programs that address the many challenges and opportunities facing Downtown Sudbury and that will continue to work to the Vision as developed in 2002.

These projects and programs

are undertaken with the support and assistance of numerous community 'partnerships' that contribute services in kind, as well as financial resources ... including: Northern Lights Festival Boreal, The Lung Association, Sudbury Action Centre for Youth, CDI College—Police Foundations Program, Big Brothers, Older Adult Centre, Ten Rainbows Foundation, Rotary Club of Sudbury, Sudbury Classic Cruisers, Santa Claus Parade Committee, Blueberry Festival Committee, Music & Film in Motion, Cinefest,

Art Gallery of Sudbury ... to name just a few.

Our key partners continue to be ... City of Greater Sudbury, Downtown Village Development Corporation, Greater Sudbury Development Corporation, Greater Sudbury Police Services.



Dining at its best ... in Downtown Sudbury!

2006 Programs & Activities ...

MARKETING & SPECIAL EVENTS ...

Special Events:

- Continue with the 2005 successes, as well as:
- Continue 'Downtown Rotary Blues For Food' on Durham Street
- Expand 'Good Old Days' to include both street and Market activities (may result in the event moving

to the August long weekend)

- 'Downtown Bike Race' ... in partnership with the Sudbury Cycle Club and the City of Greater Sudbury
- 'Taste of Downtown' ... potential community fundraiser and to focus on one of Downtown's strengths

Marketing:

- Develop/expand upon 'Walking Tour'
- Development and launch of new website
- Develop a co-op program for members to participate on the Digital Board (at Rainbow Centre)
- Redevelop campaign to focus on what Downtown has to offer

Implementation to begin on the new 'Downtown Vision' and the 'Downtown Streetscape Design Concept

... more Programs ...

SAFETY & SECURITY:

- Develop the 'Downtown Ambassador Program'
- Develop the 'Graffiti Eradication Program'
- Continue to work with the Police Service on various issues and areas of concern

DEVELOPMENT/DESIGN:

- Participate, with Partners,

in the implementation of the Vision and Streetscape

- Develop 'Business Recruitment' Program

TRANSPORTATION:

- In partnership with the City of Greater Sudbury, develop a 'Strategic Plan' to review and recommend on matters related to Downtown transportation and parking needs

- Continuation of Free Parking Program

MARKET SQUARE & FARMERS' MARKET:

- Continue to grow & develop Vendor base (inside & outside) for the Farmers' Market operation
- Continue to grow & develop the use of 'Market Square' as a community facility



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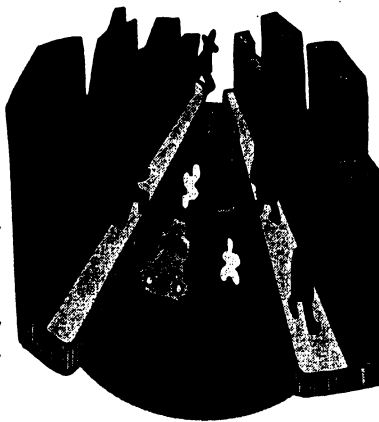
Leona Larocque ... Administrative Assistant

Rob Stevenson ... Market Manager

**www.downtownsudbury.
com**

History of 'Downtown Sudbury'

- Established in 1977, through the Ontario Municipal Act and a By-Law of the City of Greater Sudbury
- One of over 200 BIAs (Business Improvement Areas) throughout the Province
- Early focus was primarily on beautification and marketing/events
- Today, the organization has evolved into the leading agency for Downtown Economic Development
- As a Business Improvement Area, is the largest concentration of small business, financial & medical services, government & entertainment for the City of Greater Sudbury and



Northern Ontario

- Managed by a Volunteer Board of Directors, directly elected by the Downtown Businesses and Property Owners
- Represents approximately 90 Downtown Property

Owners ... 400+ Businesses & Services ... 7,500+ employees

- Is a private sector driven, not-for-profit organization, representing Downtown Businesses & Property Owners
- Is funded directly by the private sector
- Works for the collective needs of 'Downtowners': ... advocacy ... advertising ... special events ... communications ... networking ... parking ... Street beautification ... security ... safety ... economic development

2006 OPERATING BUDGET ... 'DOWNTOWN SUDBURY'

2006 Budget

(As approved by the Board of Directors January 2006)

Programs:

Marketing & Special Events	90,000
Development & Design	48,500
Transportation	30,000
Market Square	127,000
Sub-Total 'Programs'	\$295,500

Operations:

Office Administration	140,000
Operations	67,000
Sub-Total 'Operations'	\$207,000

TOTAL OPERATING

\$502,500

2006 Member Levy Request \$400,000^①

^①**Footnote:** The balance of funds for the Operating Budget are generated through various partnerships, special funding opportunities, Market Square revenues (both the Farmers' Market Operation and the use as a Community Facility).

0% INCREASE IN MEMBER CONTRIBUTION OVER THE LAST 5 YEARS

2002 - 2006

PLUS ... AND ADDITIONAL \$150,000+ LEVERAGED THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS