

September 2017 Newsletter

Message from the Chair

The recent landscape of asset management has been evolving in Ontario and across Canada. Since our Inaugural Annual General Meeting in June, the newly formed leadership team has been hard at work strengthening existing partnerships to leveraging momentum in the industry.

Draft Municipal Asset Management Planning Regulations released

In May 2017, the Ministry of Infrastructure posted draft Municipal Asset Management Planning Regulation seeking feedback. This draft regulation requires progressively more comprehensive Asset Management Plans over the next five years.

AM Ontario's response to the Ministry has been posted and can be found here:

<https://www.amontario.ca/2017/07/26/amontario-response-draft-municipal-asset-management-planning-regulation/>

Leadership team to champion priority initiatives in support of improved asset management planning

Six strategic priority areas have been formally identified and each will be championed by a member of the leadership team. They are:

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| • Maturity Assessments | Leanne |
| • Small Municipality Outreach | Sam |
| • Best Practices & Practitioners | Curtis |
| • Asset Management Knowledge | Vanessa |
| • Effective Use of Levels of Service | Mike |
| • Developing Human Capacity | Chris |

Asset Management Ontario is supporting development of a Canada-wide Asset Management Collaboration and Sharing Framework (National Community of Practice)

In September, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities hosted Asset Management Ontario, the Ontario Coalition for Sustainable Infrastructure and nine other Communities of Practice across Canada to develop a framework to support municipal asset management collaboration.

More details about the discussion and participants can be found here:

<http://renewcanada.net/2017/edmonton-hosts-communities-of-practice>

We will be seeking your input, support and leadership on how to tackle each of these initiatives through projects to be launched at our Working Group meetings.

Asset Management Ontario may be coming to a community near you!

The leadership team is examining working group and workshop opportunities to improve asset management awareness and capacity building in communities across Ontario outside of the GTHA. If your community is interested in hosting us, please send me an email.

Finally, City of London has generously offered to host our next working group and share about their lessons learned in working with levels of service and asset decision making. Please be sure to attend!

Curtis Ching,
Chair, Asset Management Ontario

About the Host: City of London

Although the history of London begins in 1793, when Lieutenant-Governor John Graves Simcoe selected the Forks of the Thames as his choice for the future site for the capital of the province, the city itself was not founded until 1826 when a local committee of magistrates, headed by Colonel Thomas Talbot, selected the Crown Reserve of land at the Forks of the Thames River as the location for the government buildings. By that year the provincial capital had long been located at Toronto. What was needed in the southwestern peninsula was an administrative seat for the vast London District which covered most of central Western Ontario. The site today is marked by the Old Court House.



The Mackenzie Rebellion of 1837, was one of the greatest stimulants to the evolution of London, for the British government decided to locate a garrison in the peninsula, which had been shaken by the Duncombe uprising and threatened by invasion from the United States. While the choice as district town had meant administrative influence, the garrison rapidly brought military spending and a greatly increased population, both through the soldiers and their dependents and also through the larger number of civilians required to minister to their needs. By 1840 London was large enough to become an incorporated town (somewhat equal to a village today).

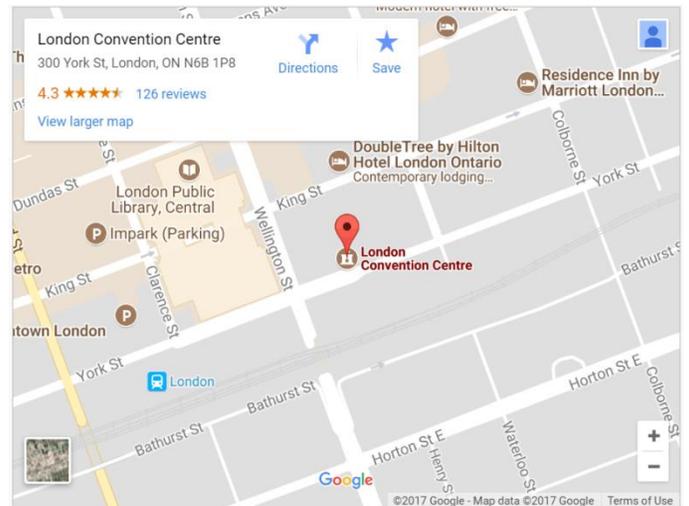
The event which crowned London's prosperity was the incorporation of the town as a city, effective January 1, 1855. Since the end of World War II, London has experienced a growth unprecedented in its history. With the major annexation of 1961, which added 60,000 people to the city, London had grown close to a quarter of a million people in 1976, the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its founding.

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Attending the Working Group

Attend in person

The Working Group will be held at the London Convention Centre located at 300 York St., London, ON, <https://www.google.ca/maps/place/London+Convention+Centre/@42.9830655,-81.2452622,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m5!3m4!1s0x882ef21ae59e7ce3:0x46178254a785414c!8m2!3d42.9830616!4d-81.2430735?hl=en>



Paid underground parking is available on site and in the area.

Please visit <http://londoncc.com/attending/parking> for all parking options.

Participate Online or Conference Call

To connect to the Working Group via GoTo Meeting, please join from your computer, tablet or smartphone using the following link:
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/134005061>

You can also dial in using your phone.

Canada: +1 (647) 497-9353
Access Code: 363-440-949

First GoToMeeting? Try a test session:
<https://link.gotomeeting.com/email-welcome>

Working Group Agenda

London Convention Centre
300 York St, London, ON N6B 1P8

September 26, 2017
Start time: 10:00am sharp

Welcome & Introduction

Lois Burgess

Division Manager Corporate Asset Management, City of
London

Host Presentation: City of London's Level of Service Journey

Jason Davies

Specialist, Corporate Asset Management, City of London

Asset Management Ontario Update

Curtis Ching
Chair, AM Ontario

Host Case Study: Asset Management Decision Making & Analytics

Khaled Shahata
Specialist, Corporate Asset Management, City of London

LUNCH & NETWORKING Thank you to the City of London

What is happening in the industry *Overview of the Draft Municipal Asset Management Planning Regulation*

Sam Sidawi
Vice-Chair, AM Ontario

Asset Management Roundtable *Where is your organization? What are your challenges?*

Vanessa Chau
Communications, AM Ontario

Housekeeping and Next Meeting *2018 AGM Host City & Feedback Survey*

Vanessa Chau
Communications, AM Ontario

Upcoming Events

- AM Ontario Working Group, Ottawa – Q4 2017
- AM Ontario Working Group, GTHA – Q1 2018
- FCM Communities of Practice Workshop – October

For more information, please email info@amontario.ca