

Media Release



The Niagara Economic Development Corporation (NEDC) and the CUI present:

Action Niagara: The Economics of Smart Growth

Wednesday, December 14, 2005

8:15 am - 5:30 pm

Few names enjoy a higher level of recognition around the world than “Niagara” but for the people who live here, our sense of community extends far beyond meeting the expectations of a “brand”.

This high-impact, one-day event will provide inspiration and insight into the principles of smart growth that underscore community and set the tone for a longer-term process of assessing the region’s strengths, meeting challenges and building a common sense of purpose.

Peter Partington, Regional Chairman, The Regional Municipality of Niagara and **Mayor Ted Salci**, City of Niagara Falls will welcome delegates. **Debbie Zimmerman**, CEO of Grape Growers of Ontario and Councillor for Grimsby will chair the conference, and a keynote presentation from **Storm Cunningham**, Executive Director, Revitalization Institute will precede the lunch interval, where the **Hon. David Caplan**, Minister, Public Infrastructure Renewal will provide the luncheon address.

Delegates will participate in a range of discussions on Community Renewal, Financing of Smart Growth and Creating a Sense of Place and a High Quality Public Realm.

The inaugural presentation of the Regional Chairman’s Niagara Community Design Awards sponsored by Walker Industries.

For more information on this event or to register online visit www.canurb.com or call Mark Brickell at Niagara Economic Development Corporation on 905-685-1308 ext 3703 or by email mbrickell@niagaracanada.com

WHAT: Action Niagara: The Economics of Smart Growth will provide inspiration and insight into the principles of smart growth that underscore community

Keynotes: **8:50 am** Peter Partington, Regional Chairman, The Regional Municipality of Niagara
8:55 am Mayor Ted Salci, City of Niagara Falls

9:00 am Storm Cunningham, Executive Director, Revitalization Institute

12:15 am Hon. David Caplan, Minister, Public Infrastructure Renewal

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WHERE: **Sheraton Fallsview Hotel & Conference Centre**
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