



The Regional Municipality of Durham

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Staff Correspondence

There is no Staff Correspondence

Durham Municipalities Correspondence

1. [Township of Brock](#) – re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on July 30, 2019, regarding Regional Governance Review, Request for the Special Advisors Report to be publicly released immediately upon it’s completion

Other Municipalities Correspondence/Resolutions

1. [Township of South Frontenac](#) – re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on August 6, 2019, supporting the Township of Warwick resolution regarding Enforcement for Safety on Family Farms
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5. [Norfolk County](#) – re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on July 9, 2019, requesting Provincial Response to address Gas Well Issues

Miscellaneous Correspondence

There is no Miscellaneous Correspondence

Advisory Committee Minutes

There are no Advisory Committee Minutes

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: [#2019-INFO-56](#)
Date: August 16, 2019

Subject:

Commissioner's Delegated Planning Approval Authority, and Summary of Planning Activity in the Second Quarter of 2019. File: 1.2.7.19

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The Region's Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development has been delegated the authority to approve certain Area Municipal Official Plan amendments in all area municipalities, as well as subdivisions, condominiums, and part lot control exemption by-laws in the Townships of Brock, Scugog, and Uxbridge. The delegation By-law requires the Commissioner to report to Council quarterly concerning actions taken under this delegated authority.
- 1.2 The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of how this delegated authority was used in the second quarter of 2019 (April 1, 2019 – June 30, 2019), and to provide information on the type and volume of other planning-related activity over the quarter. A summary of plan review activity is provided in Attachment #1.

2. Commissioner's Approval of Area Municipal Plan Amendments

- 2.1 Prior to the adoption of an area municipal official plan amendment by a local Council, a draft is forwarded to the Region for review and a determination as to whether it affects a matter of Regional interest, including conformity with Provincial

Plans. If it is felt the draft amendment deals with matters of Regional significance, it is subject to approval by the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development. If the area municipal official plan amendment does not trigger a matter of Regional interest, then the amendment's approval rests with the area municipality.

2.2 In the second quarter of 2019, the Planning Division received three official plan amendments from the area municipalities. All applications are currently under review:

- Application OPA 19-001/P, to designate the site as a Mixed-Use Area - Community Node, to facilitate the development of two, 23-storey mixed-use buildings, and 1,900 square metres of grade related retail, east of Liverpool Road and south of Wharf Street in the City of Pickering;
- Application OPA 19-002/P, to implement a Source Water Protection Plan for all lands within the City of Pickering; and
- Application OPA 19-003/P, to add policies regarding ecosystem loss and compensation for all lands within the City of Pickering.

3. Commissioner's Approval of Subdivisions and Condominiums

3.1 The Region is the approval authority for plans of subdivision and condominium in the three northern Townships. In the second quarter of 2019, the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development did not receive any applications, nor issue any draft approvals.

3.2 In the second quarter of 2019, the Commissioner of Planning and Economic and Development granted final approval for one plan of subdivision and one plan of condominium:

- Application 18T-87091, to permit a subdivision consisting of residential lots for detached dwellings, linked dwellings, park, commercial, and road blocks north of Lake Land Crescent and east of C.N.R. in the Township of Brock; and
- Application C-U-2017-01, to permit a road and park within a common element condominium and facilitate the development of 56 townhomes and 12 apartment units on Cemetery Road north of Highway 47, and east of Concession Road 6 in the Township of Uxbridge.

4. Region's Review of Planning Applications

4.1 Regional staff review planning applications from the area municipalities to ensure conformity with the Regional Official Plan (ROP), other Regional policies, and Provincial plans and policies. The Planning Division coordinates comments from other Regional Departments and provides a coordinated response to the area municipalities on the following planning matters:

- Area Municipal Official Plan amendment applications;
- Delegated plans of subdivision and condominium, and part-lot control exemption by-laws;
- Zoning By-law amendment applications;
- Select minor variance applications; and
- Comments to the Regional Land Division Committee on consent applications.

4.2 Attachment 1 provides a numeric summary of Regional staff's review of planning applications across the Region.

5. Regional Council's Approval of Applications to Amend the Durham Region Official Plan

5.1 Regional Council is the approval authority for applications to amend the Durham Region Official Plan (ROPA).

5.2 As of June 30, 2019, there were a total of 9 ROPA applications under consideration, (refer to Attachment 2 which includes a chart and maps). In the second quarter of 2019, no new ROPA applications were submitted.

6. Appeals to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal¹

6.1 The second quarter of 2019 also saw the following Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) activity:

- On April 14, 2019 Land Division Committee application LD 016/2019, in the

1. The Ontario Municipal Board was replaced by the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) on April 6, 2018. All land use planning appeals will now be heard by the LPAT.

Township of Scugog was appealed. A hearing date has been scheduled for August 7, 2019.

- 6.2 Four non-exempt Area Municipal Official Plan amendment applications and two consent applications are currently before the LPAT (refer to Attachments 3A and 3B).

7. Reserved Street Names

- 7.1 The Planning Division coordinates street naming in the Region. Street names are reviewed by the Region in consultation with Durham Regional Police Services in order to avoid the use of similar sounding street names. Approved street names are included in a street name reserve list for each area municipality. A total of 12 new street names were included on the Regional reserve street name list in the second quarter of 2019. (Refer to Attachment 4).

8. Attachments

Attachment #1: Summary of Regional Review of Planning Applications

Attachment #2: Summary and Maps of Regional Official Plan Amendment applications currently being processed or before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal

Attachment #3: Regional Planning Approvals before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal

Attachment #4: Summary of Reserved Street Names

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

Brian Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP
Commissioner of Planning and
Economic Development

Regional Review of Planning Applications - Summary
April 1 to June 30, 2019

Area Municipal Official Plan Amendments

Received	3
Commented	9

**Delegated Subdivisions & Condominiums
(Lakeshore Area Municipalities)**

Received	4
Provided Comments & Conditions of Draft Approval	12
Cleared Conditions of Draft Approval	9

**Non-Delegated Subdivisions & Condominiums
(Northern Area Municipalities)**

Received	0
Provided Comments & Conditions of Draft Approval	0
Cleared Conditions of Draft Approval	2

Zoning By-laws Amendments

Received	19
Commented	35

Non-Delegated Part Lot Control

Received	2
Commented	0

Consents

Received	31
Commented	36

**Regional Official Plan Amendment applications currently being processed or before
the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (As of June 30, 2019)**

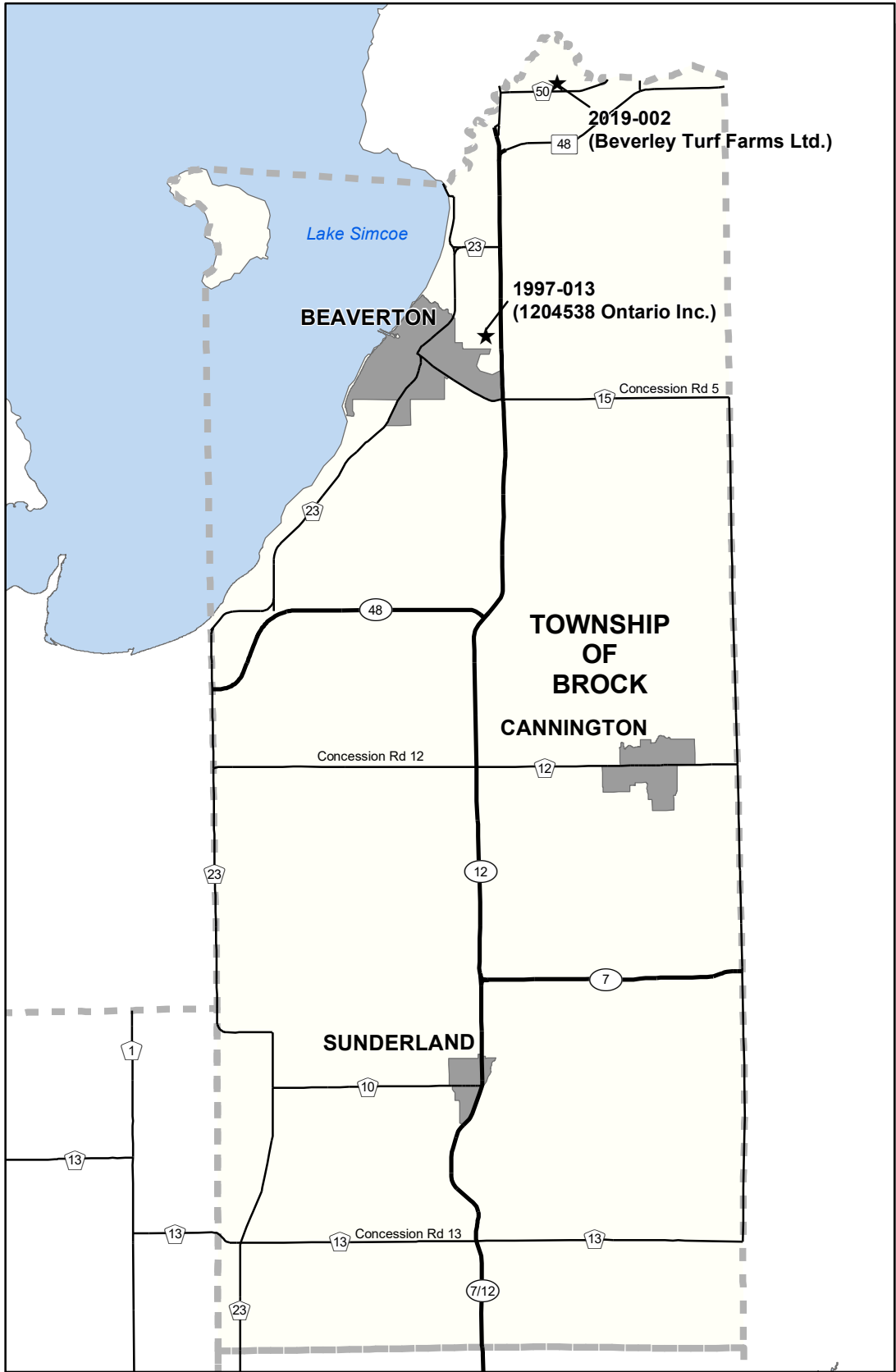
OPA file	Council/ standing committee corr.	Applicant/ Location	Proposed amendment
1997-013	97-352	1204538 Ontario Inc. Lot 11, Conc. 6 (Thorah) Township of Brock (West of Hwy. 12 & 48, North of Main St.)	To permit a rural employment area in the General Agricultural Area designation Status: On hold. Applicant to advise of next steps.
2000-003	2000-273	Town of Ajax (South of Bayly St., East of Church St.)	To delete a Type C Arterial Road (Deferral #3 to the Town of Ajax Official Plan) Status: Regional TMP approved by Council on December 13, 2017, recommending that the Clements Rd. connection be protected (i.e. Deferral #3) for in the ROP. Connection remains in ROP as a result of Amendment #171.
2005-009	SC-2005-66	Loblaw Properties Ltd. Lots 3 & 4, Conc. 1 Town of Ajax (South of Achilles Rd., East of Salem Rd.)	To delete a Type C Arterial Road Status: Regional TMP approved by Council on December 13, 2017, recommending that Shoal Point Rd. extension, North of Bayly Street be protected for in the ROP. Connection remains in ROP as a result of Amendment #171.
2005-011	SC-2005-68	Brooklin Golf Club Limited Lots 21 to 25, Conc. 8 Town of Whitby (South of Myrtle Rd., West of Baldwin St.)	To permit two 18-hole golf courses and resort /conference centre in the Permanent Agricultural Reserve designation Status: Awaiting further technical studies from the applicant.
2014-006		Magnum Opus Developments Part of Lot 4, Conc. 3 Town of Ajax (Shoal Point Rd./ Realignment from Bayly St. to Ashbury Blvd.)	To delete the Type 'C' Arterial Road (Bayly Street south to Ashbury Boulevard). Status: OMB decision issued July 18, 2017. Final order withheld until development agreements are finalized by applicant.

OPA file	Council/ standing committee corr.	Applicant/ Location	Proposed amendment
2014-008		Vicdom Sand & Gravel (Ontario) Ltd. Part of Lot 15, Conc. 7 & 8 Township of Uxbridge (North of Goodwood Rd., West of Lakeridge Rd.)	To add a new aggregate resource area (18.9 ha. in size) in Uxbridge. Status: Public meeting held on January 6, 2015. Decision meeting to be scheduled.
2016-003		Clara and Nick Conforti – Optilinx Systems Lot 21, Conc. 4 Town of Whitby (Thickson Rd. in between Taunton Rd. East and Conlin Rd.)	To permit the continuation and expansion of a contractor's yard and office in the Major Open Space designation Status: Public meeting held on December 7, 2016. Decision meeting to be scheduled.
2019-001		Region of Durham Initiated	To consider requests for rural water and sanitary sewer service connections to properties that abut existing municipal services within a public right-of-way or easement outside of Urban Areas. Status: Decision Meeting is scheduled for September 3, 2019.
2019-002		Beverly Turf Farms Ltd. Lot 8, Concession 11, Township of Brock (B1625 Regional Road 50)	To permit the severance of a non-abutting surplus farm dwelling. Status: Public meeting held on May 7, 2019. Decision meeting is scheduled for September 3, 2019.



REGIONAL OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENTS (ROPAs) TOWNSHIP OF BROCK

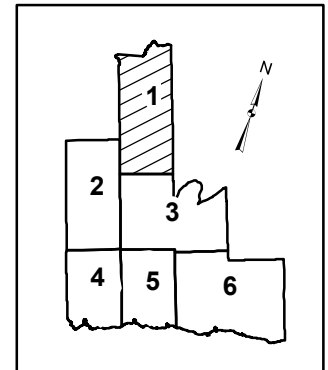
As of June 30, 2019



ROPA Locations

- ☆ New Application
- ★ Under Consideration
- ⊗ Refused/Withdrawn
- ⊛ Appealed to LPAT
- ⊙ Approved
- Regional Official Plan Urban Area
- Municipal Boundary
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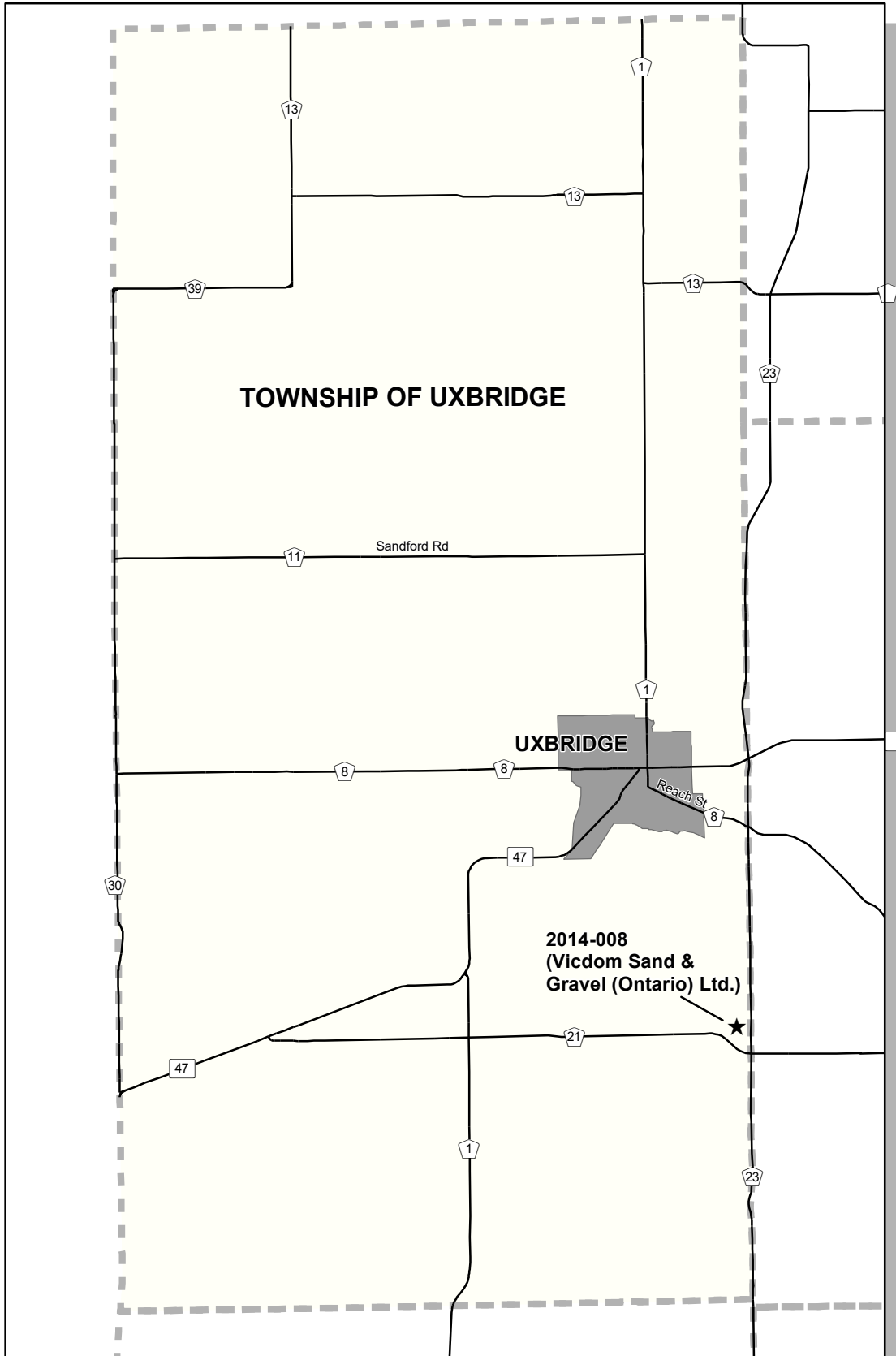
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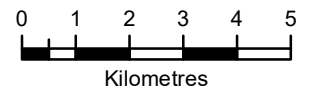
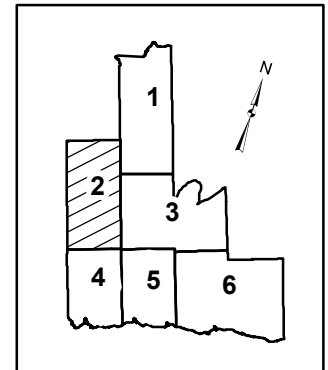
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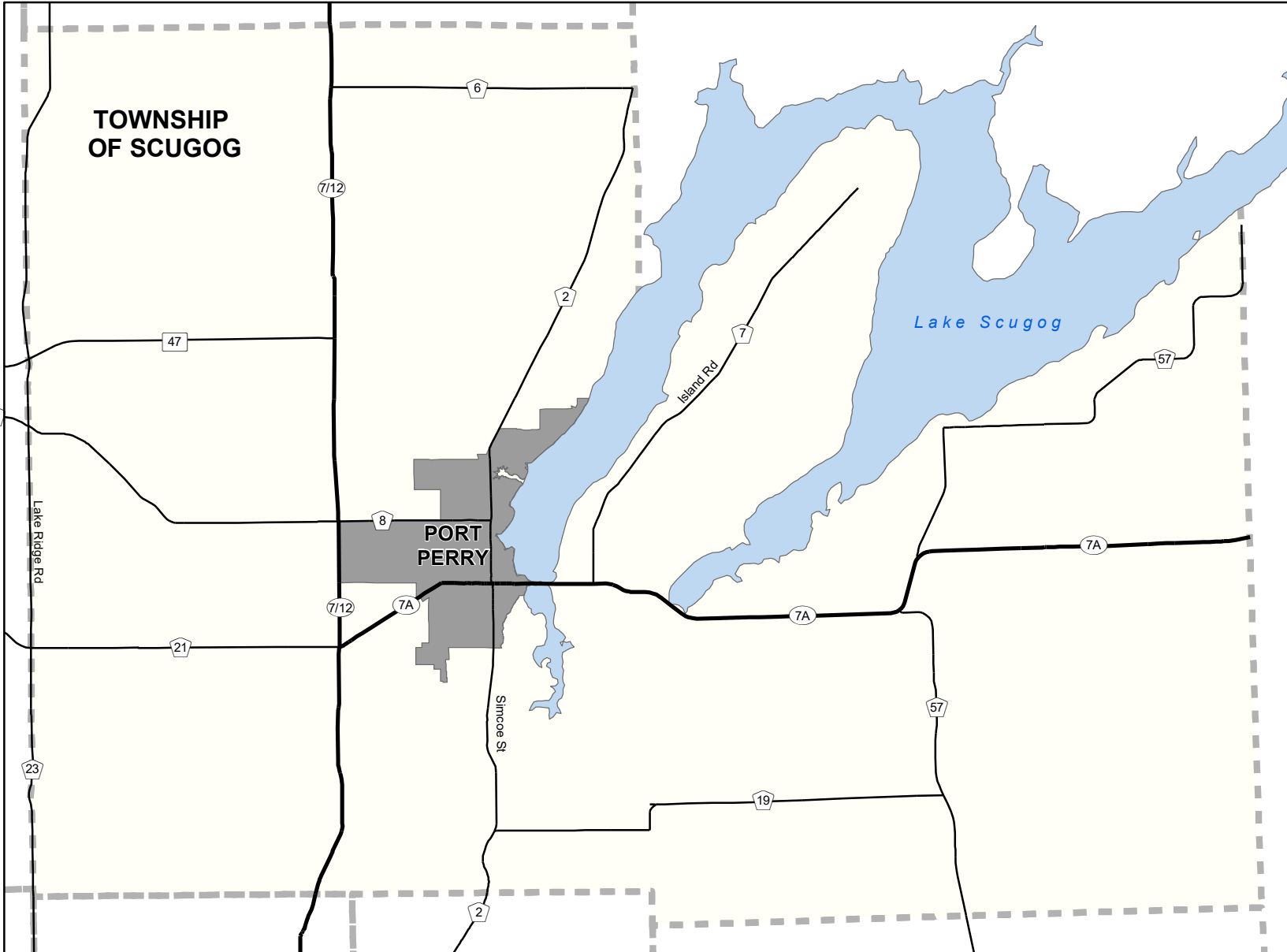
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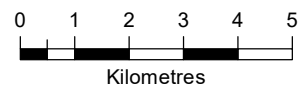
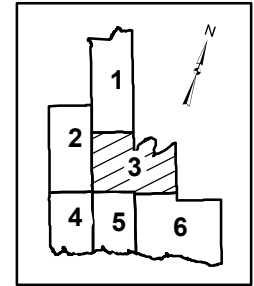
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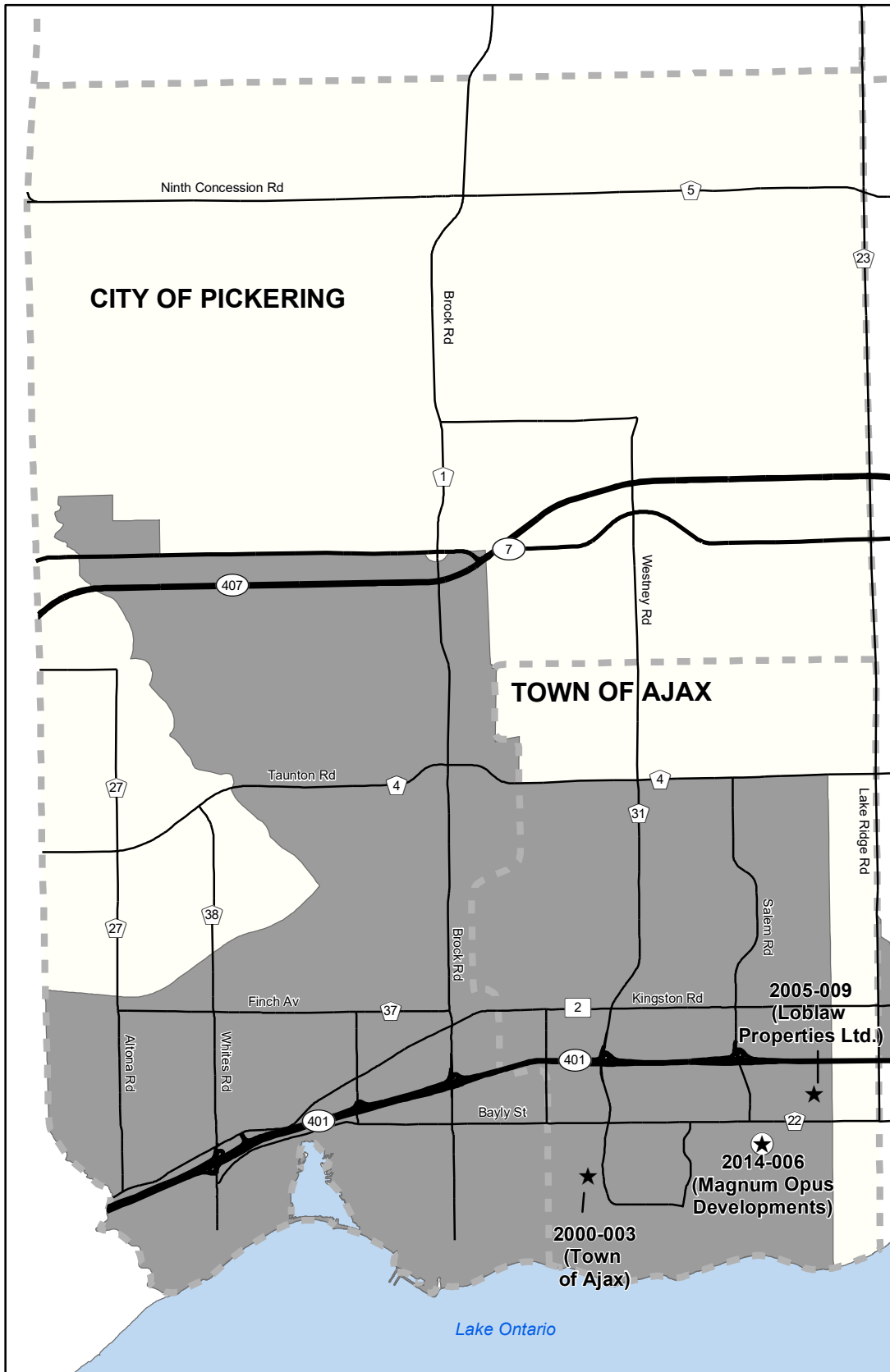
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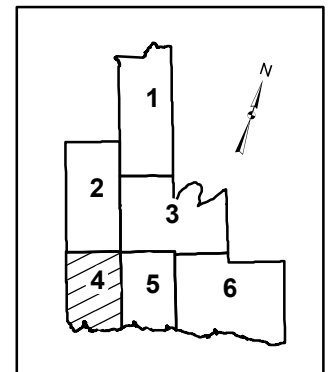
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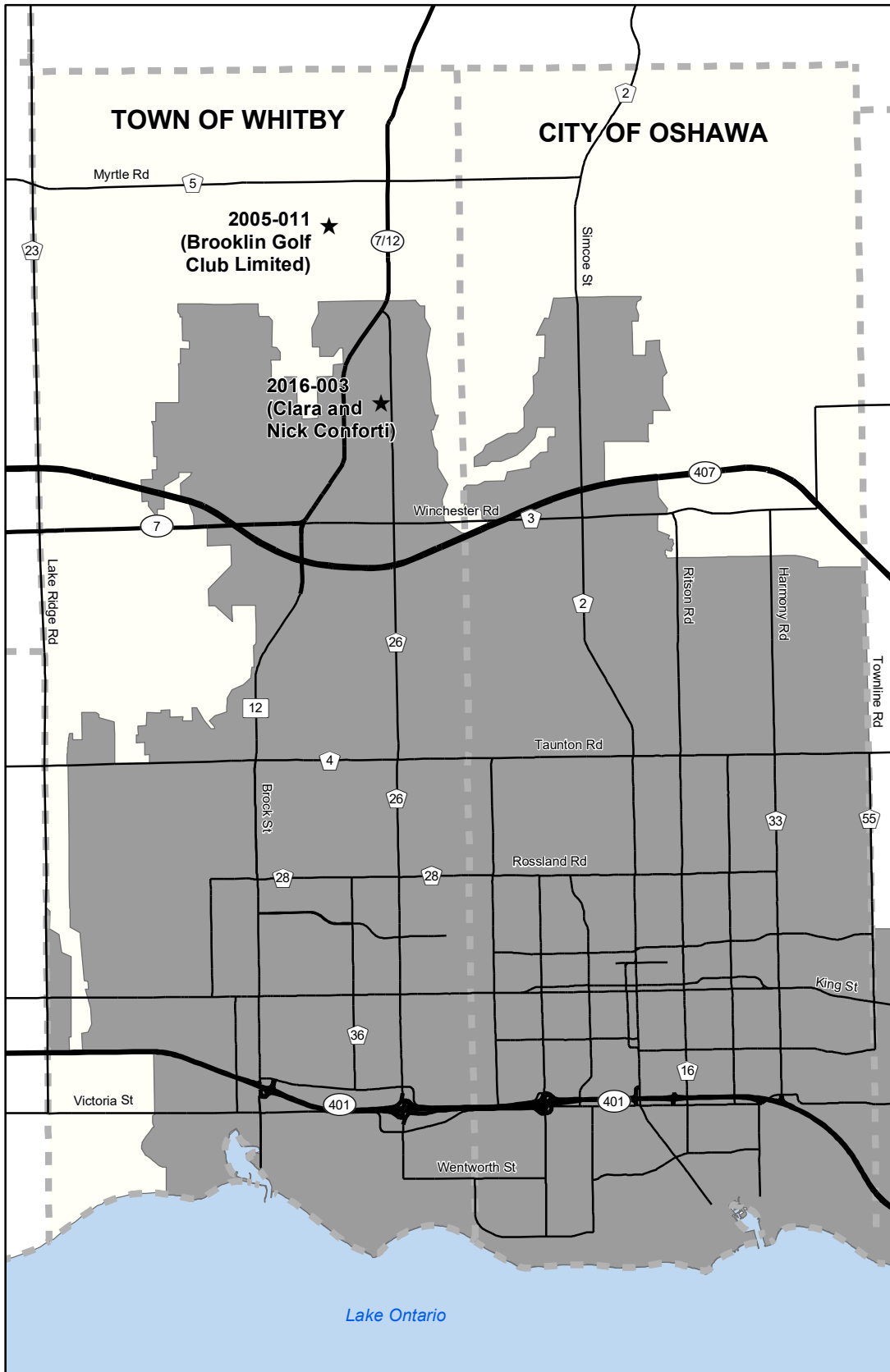
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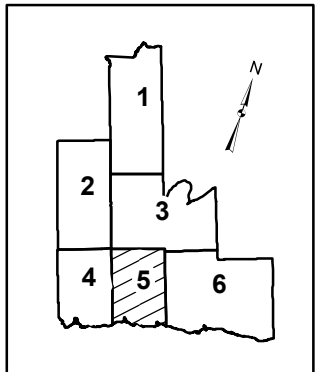


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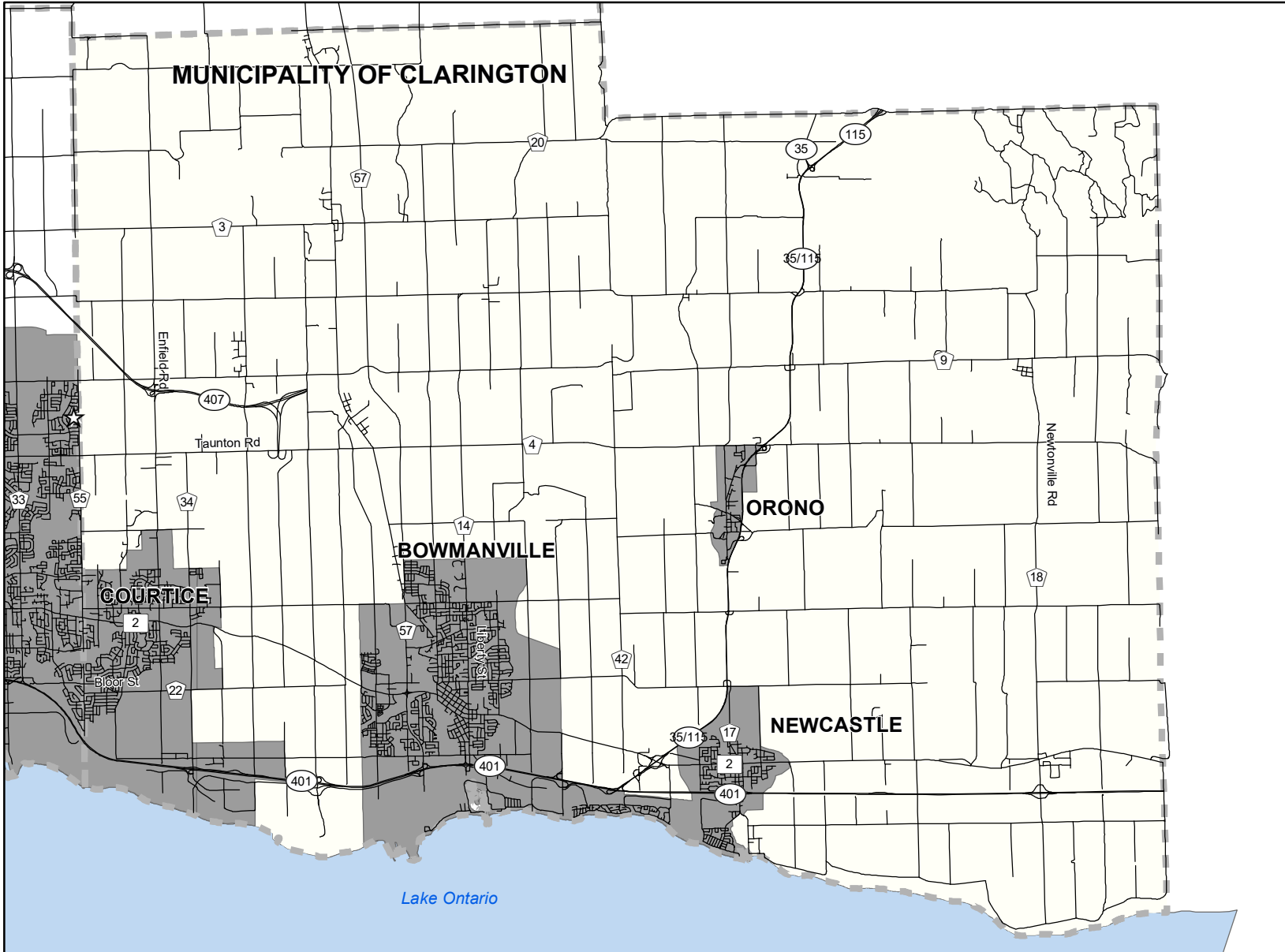
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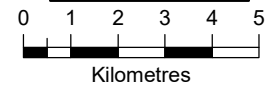
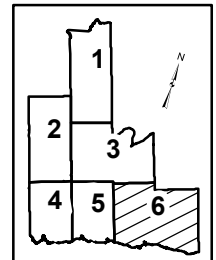
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**Non-Exempt Area Municipal Planning Applications Under Appeal Before the
Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (As of June 30, 2019)**

Regional File No./OMB Case No.	Applicant	Municipality	Purpose	Status
COPA-2016-001/ PL170817 & PL171459	Municipality of Clarington	Municipality of Clarington	Municipality of Clarington's conformity exercise with provincial plans, and the Regional Official Plan. It also included transportation and environmental policies. (Official Plan Amendment 107)	<p>First pre-hearing held on November 16, 2017.</p> <p>Second pre-hearing held on March 19, 2018.</p> <p>Third pre-hearing held on September 25, 2018.</p> <p>Fourth pre-hearing held on June 3, 2019.</p> <p>Hearings scheduled for late fall and early 2020.</p>
COPA 2012-006 / PL140177	Municipality of Clarington	Municipality of Clarington	To provide a Secondary Plan for the "Courtice Main Street and Town Centre" in order to facilitate the development of a mixed-use corridor along Durham Highway 2. (Official Plan Amendment 89)	<p>OMB decision issued November 28, 2014.</p> <p>OPA 89 still has 1 outstanding appeal. Adjourned sine die.</p>

Regional File No./OMB Case No.	Applicant	Municipality	Purpose	Status
B3100-0368 PL170051 and PL170052	City of Oshawa	City of Oshawa	City of Oshawa's Greenbelt Plan and Growth Plan conformity Amendment (Official Plan Amendment 179)	<p>OMB hearing held February 13, 2018.</p> <p>OMB decision issued February 27, 2018.</p> <p>OPA in full force and effect save and except for outstanding deferrals related to the Columbus Urban Area and the future Thornton Corners GO Station.</p>
D-13-22-01 PL180720	Davies Howe on behalf of North Whitby Holdings Inc. and North Brooklin Holdings Inc.	Town of Whitby	To update the Secondary Plan for the existing Brooklin urban area and introduce urban land use designations for the urban expansion areas north and west of the existing community as well as the employment areas to the south. (Official Plan Amendment 108)	<p>LPAT deemed this appeal invalid on September 21, 2018. Applicant has challenged this ruling. First Motion Hearing held February 6, 2019. Second Motion Hearing held on May 1, 2019. Awaiting LPAT Decision.</p>

**Regional Land Division Committee Applications Currently Before the Local
Planning Appeal Tribunal (As of June 30, 2019)**

Regional File No./OMB Case No	Applicant	Municipality	Purpose	Status
LD 009/2019 PL 180789	Paul Jones & Benita Jones	Town of Ajax	Consent to sever a vacant 514.6 square metre residential parcel of land, retaining a 514.7 square metre residential parcel of land with an existing dwelling to be demolished.	Decision appealed March 7, 2019. Awaiting LPAT Hearing and Decision.
LD 016/2019 PL 190168	Youngfield Farms Ltd.	Township of Scugog	Consent to sever a 0.725ha non-farm related rural residential parcel of land, retaining a 37.28 ha agricultural parcel of land. The application is for a surplus farm dwelling.	Decision appealed on April 14, 2019. Hearing date scheduled for August 7, 2019.

Summary of Reserved Street Names (April 1, 2019 – June 30, 2019)

Municipality	Number of New Street Names Added in Second Quarter of 2019	New Street Names Added*	Total Number of Street Names Reserved
Ajax	0		310
Brock	0		32
Clarington	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Brooks 	625
Oshawa	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memorial Cup 	432
Pickering	8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casino • Bacarrat • Roulette • Blackjack • Keno • Stadium • Director • Thespian 	655
Scugog	0		158
Uxbridge	0		89
Whitby	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mubiala • Gerry Emm 	337
Total	12		2,626

* At this point in time not all suffixes have been assigned.

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: [#2019-INFO-57](#)
Date: August 16, 2019

Subject:

2018 Film and Television Production Activity in Durham Region

Recommendation:

Received for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the film and television production activity in Durham Region for the 2018 calendar year, and to highlight the growth of this industry since 2012.

2. Background

2.1 Ontario, and specifically the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) is a centre of Canadian film and television production and has grown into a multi-billion-dollar industry. In 2017, Ontario welcomed \$1.6 billion in film & TV production and 32,800 direct, indirect and induced jobs were created (2018 statistics have not yet been released).

2.2 Most production companies that film in Durham Region have an established headquarters in the City of Toronto, where the majority of Ontario's film production studios reside.

2.3 Durham Region plays an important role in all aspects of Ontario's film, television and digital media industry due to its proximity to Toronto, Durham's film industry

workforce, supporting service providers, and availability of film location sites. These attributes make Durham a welcome host for television, feature films, commercials, and pre- and post-preproduction activities.

3. 2018 Film Production Activity

3.1 In 2018, the estimated value of film production in Durham Region reached an all-time high of \$52.9 million, generated from 102 projects and 392 production-days of shooting on-location.

3.2 In 2018, feature films and television series accounted for the majority of the filming activity in the Region, representing 93% of the total productions. Additional types of production include commercials, documentaries and independent films. Please see Appendix 1 for 2018 production activity by Area Municipality and by type.

3.3 Notable productions that were filmed in Durham in 2018 include:

- a. Feature films: Polar, IT2, Home for Harvest, Christmas in Vermont, and A Sweet Taste of Love.
- b. Television series: American Gods, Anne with an E, Coroner, Private Eyes, Schitt's Creek, In the Dark, Descendant, Titans, Jett, and The Boys.

4. Sector Growth – Historical Overview

4.1 From 2012 to 2018 film and television production activity value in Durham Region increased by 168% per cent (an average annual growth rate of 18%) with an estimated total of \$188 million in production activity generated from 443 projects over seven years. Please see Appendix 2 for charts showing the growth of this sector during this time.

5. Conclusion

5.1 Momentum continues to build for film production and related activities in Durham Region, and film production activity is experiencing strong annual growth. There is a growing interest in the Region's unique locations, workforce, and services that support the film industry.

5.2 Demand for studio space is high in the GTHA and the Durham Live development underway including the TriBro Studios will enhance the attractiveness of Durham

Region as a filming site location, increasing the overall economic contribution of the industry to the Region.

- 5.3 The Economic Development and Tourism Division will continue to be proactive to assist and enable the growth of the film industry in Durham.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

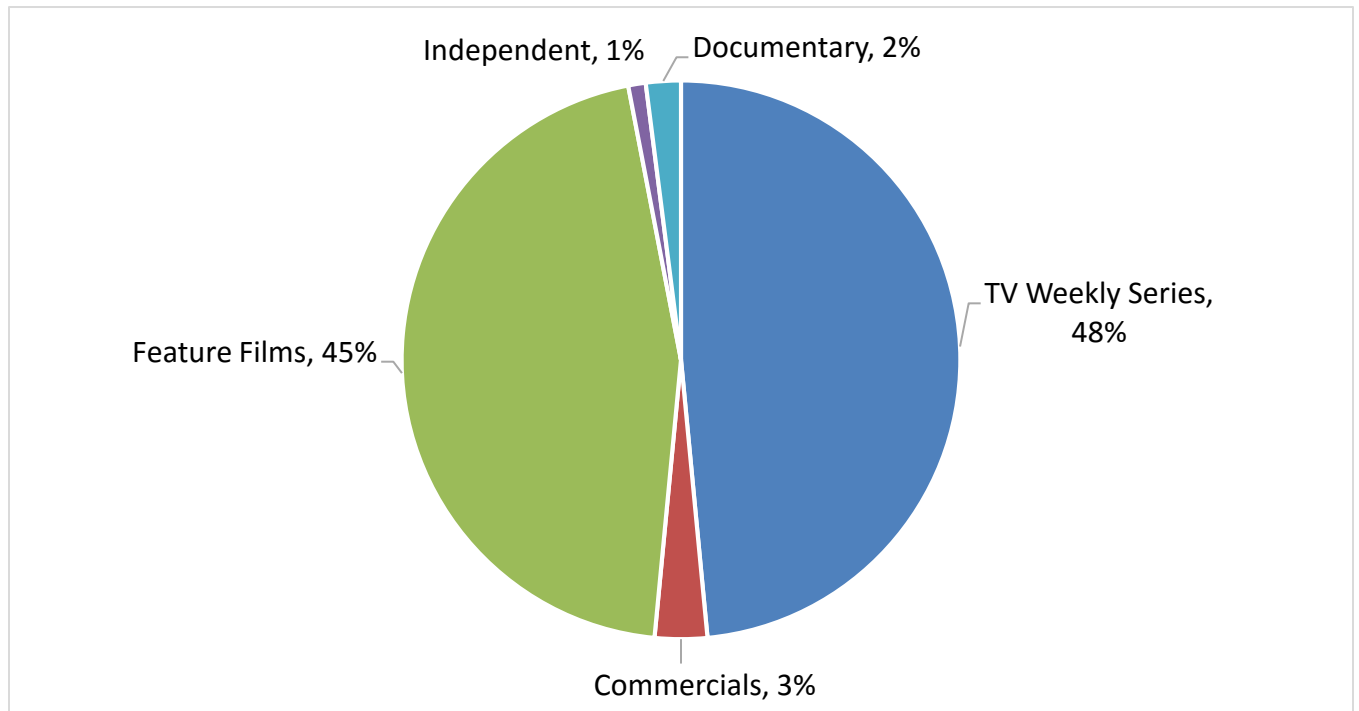
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Appendix 1: 2018 Durham Region Total Film and Television Production Activity

	Production Value	Prep/Shoot/Wrap Days	Number of Projects
Durham Region	\$1,090,000	14	17
Ajax	\$4,263,667	29	12
Brock	\$0	0	0
Clarington	\$3,950,000	22	7
Oshawa	\$16,241,599	124	18
Pickering	\$14,189,900	99	22
Scugog	\$2,830,632	27	7
Uxbridge	\$9,487,750	68	13
Whitby	\$801,219	9	6
Total	\$52,854,767	392	102

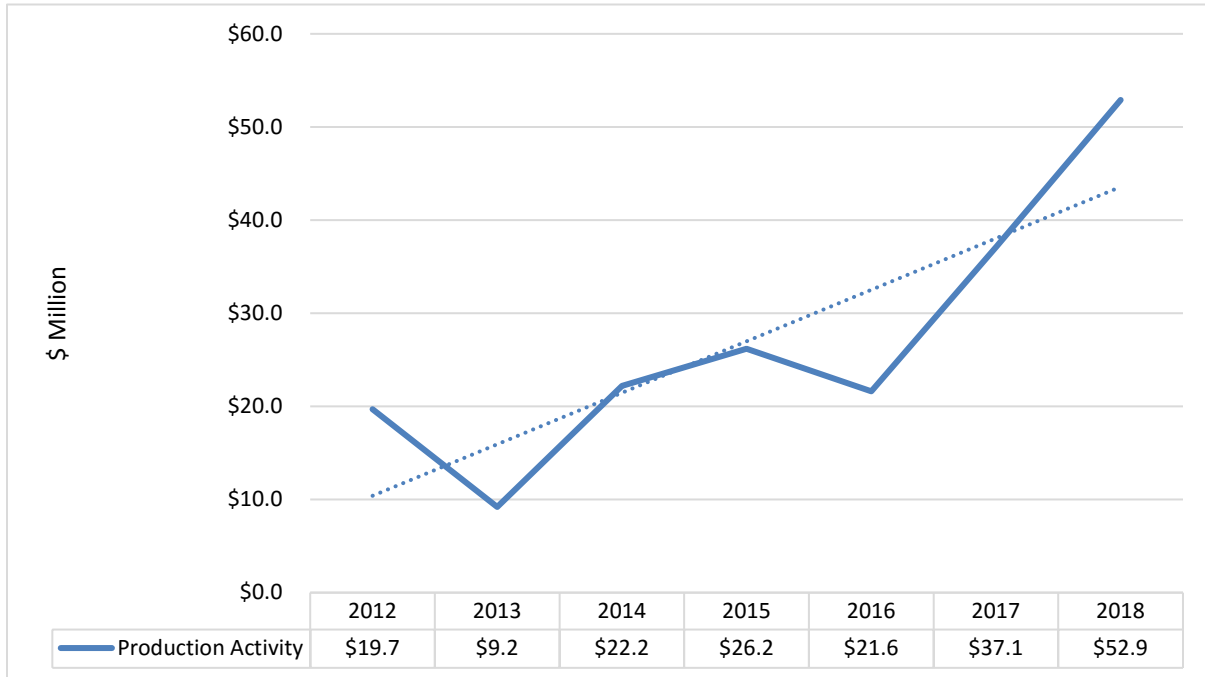
Source: Association of Film Commissions International (AFCI) Tracking Production Revenue: Direct Spending for On-location Production chart.

2018 Production Activity by Type (\$)

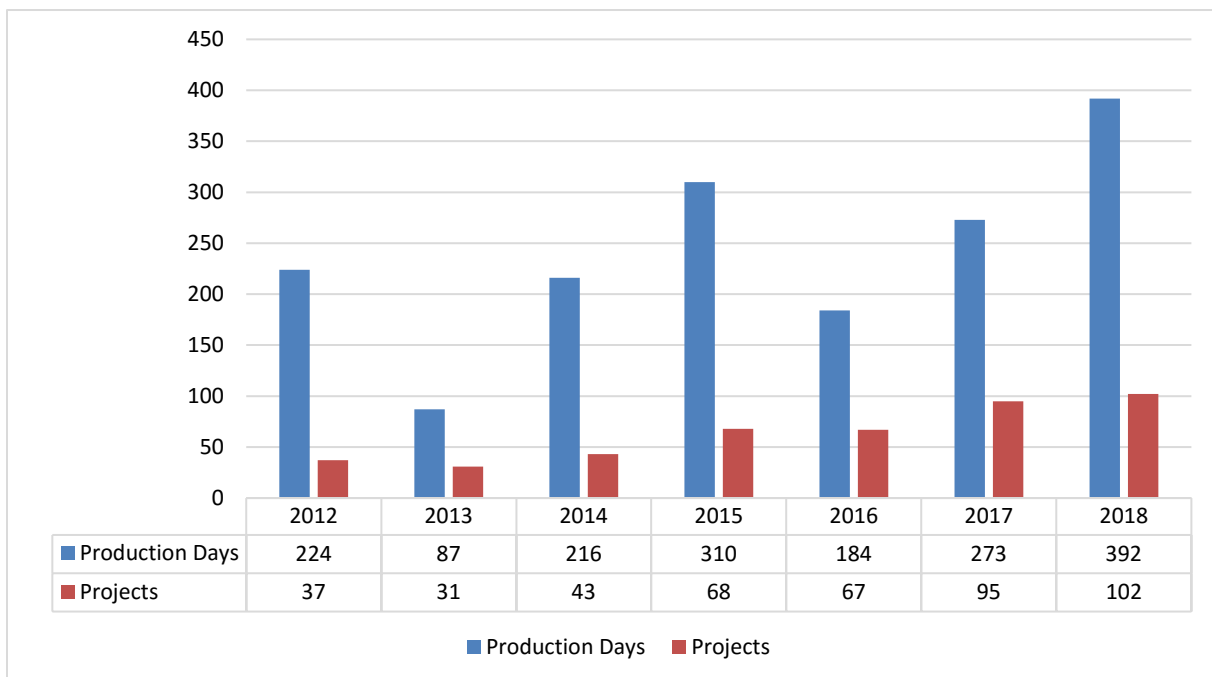


Appendix 2 – Sector Growth

Film Production Value by Year (Growth from 2012 to 2018)



Film Production-Days and Projects by Year



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Subject:

Economic Development and Tourism – Film Section: 2018 Activity Overview

Recommendation:

Received for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an overview of the activities undertaken by the Film section of the Region's Economic Development and Tourism Division in 2018.

2. Background

2.1 Durham Region Economic Development and Tourism Division's Film Section (Film Durham) plays an important role in enabling and promoting film production and industry growth in the Region.

2.2 Film Durham performs a variety of activities that enable Ontario's film, television and digital media industry. Film Durham is a Provincial Government-recognized 'Film Office' representing the Durham jurisdiction, and its main purpose is to promote Durham Region as a destination for film production and attract film-related investment to the Region. The key objectives are to: generate film and media activity, encourage business growth and educational opportunities in the film, television and digital media industry, and to create jobs.

- 2.3 Film Durham partners with Area Municipal staff to provide a coordinated approach to offering a seamless experience for handling inquiries from production companies.

3. 2018 Film Durham Initiatives and Activity

- 3.1 In February 2018, Film Durham delivered a presentation to the Durham Hotel Association regarding economic opportunities in the film industry. The goal was to promote offering preferential rates to film crews, as an incentive to increase film production in the Region and in turn increase hotel occupancy. Many hotels are now participating in this program and some are actively promoting their offerings on both the Ontario Creates and Durham Region's film locations libraries.
- 3.2 The accessible *Guide to Filming in Durham* was released online and in print in March 2018. This promotional material contains a directory of 600+ Durham businesses servicing the film industry, information on filming in the Region, and a locations library. The guide is now available online at www.durham.ca/film and will be updated semi-annually with current information and location photos.
- 3.3 On April 29th 2018, Film Durham hosted a locations familiarization tour to showcase the diverse assets of the Region to 20 film location managers, producers, directors, set designers and film commissioners. The tour included: Tribute Communities Centre, Pickering Nautical Village, Whitby Centennial Building, Orono Town Hall, Tyrone Mills and Canadian Tire Motorsport Park. Plans are underway to schedule and host another themed tour in 2019.
- 3.4 The Durham/Ontario Creates Digital Locations Project was launched to photograph locations for both the Film Durham–Digital Locations Portal and the Ontario Creates Digital Library. These online resources are used to promote the excellent locations that Durham has to offer and showcase Durham as a destination for film production.
- 3.5 Film Durham partnered with the Durham College Advanced Filmmaking program on a “Shot on Location” project. Durham staff facilitated student film productions at sites in Durham Region and processed the necessary permits and permissions at no cost. This was a great opportunity for student filmmakers to gain experience with filming on location as well as the permitting processes and was a valuable workforce development exercise.
- 3.6 The Durham Region International Film Festival (DRIFF), launched in 2015 by the Economic Development and Tourism Division and is now led by a not-for-profit organization. Film Durham assists the Board of Directors in an advisory capacity. In 2018, the festival offered gala events, screenings, award ceremonies, experiential

activities and movie set demonstrations. DRIFF hosted filmmakers locally and internationally, connecting them with audiences through post-screening question and answer periods, workshops, and networking events. In 2019, DRIFF will be held from October 3 to 5.

- 3.7 Film Durham assisted Ontario Creates with a special feature on Durham Region locations in their December issue of *In the Loop*. This feature showcased many of the recently-added and other unique sites. This e-newsletter offers location professionals timely information regarding the changing landscape of film and television locations across Ontario. View the [December issue](http://www.ontariocreates.ca/Assets/Film/In+the+Loop/December+2018/Dec+2018+In+the+Loop_ENG.pdf) online at http://www.ontariocreates.ca/Assets/Film/In+the+Loop/December+2018/Dec+2018+In+the+Loop_ENG.pdf
- 3.8 On October 11 and 15 2018, Film Durham hosted bus tours that took domestic and international fans of the television series, *Hannibal*, to locations in Durham Region where scenes from the show had been filmed. Approximately 200 fans of the show from Ireland, England, Wales, France, Germany, Czech Republic, Poland, Japan, USA, Canada and Taiwan took part in the tour. This film tourism event took place in conjunction with the inaugural five-day North American Hannibal Convention *Fannibal Fest*, held in Toronto.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 Based on the successes in 2018, momentum continues to build for film production and related activities in Durham Region in 2019. There is a growing interest in the Region's unique locations, products and services that support the film industry.
- 4.2 Initiatives in 2019 include a film location familiarization tour for location managers and production designers; a locations seminar for residents and businesses; workforce development career fairs; and a strategy to market Durham's locations both locally and internationally with support from Ontario Creates.
- 4.3 Film Durham continues to proactively assist and grow the film sector in Durham Region, and the sector's positive impacts on the Regional economy continue to grow.

Respectfully submitted,

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EARLY RELEASE OF REPORT



The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

To: Planning and Economic Development Committee
From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: #2019-P-**
Date: September 3, 2019

Subject:

Decision Meeting Report

Durham Regional Official Plan Amendment #175 to permit water and sewer service connections in certain circumstances for properties abutting municipal services outside of the Urban Area, File: OPA 2019-001.

Recommendation:

That the Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends to Regional Council:

- A) That Amendment #175 to the Durham Regional Official Plan, to permit water and sanitary sewer service connections in prescribed circumstances for properties abutting municipal services outside of the Urban Area, be adopted as contained in Attachment #1 to Commissioner's Report #2019-P-**; and
 - B) That the "Notice of Adoption" be sent to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the area municipalities and all other persons or public bodies who requested notification of this decision.
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Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 On March 27, 2019, Regional Council directed staff to initiate a process to amend the ROP to enable consideration of requests for water and sanitary sewer service

connections for properties abutting municipal services outside the Urban Area (Commissioner's Report #2019-P-9).

- 1.2 The ROPA would enable properties which abut regional water and sanitary sewer infrastructure outside the Urban Area Boundary to connect to the Regional system if the connection is technically feasible, to the satisfaction of the Region. If a connection is permitted, payment would be in accordance with the Region of Durham Works Department Water Supply System Bylaw (89-2003) and Sewer System (90-2003) By-law related to frontage and connection fees. Any new lot created would need to be in accordance with the policies of the Regional Official Plan related to lot creation in the rural area, including the Region's Lot Sizing Policy. Attachment #1 includes Amendment #175 to the Durham Regional Official Plan.

2. Public Meeting and Submissions

- 2.1 In accordance with the *Planning Act*, a notice of public meeting regarding the application was published in the newspapers that are circulated locally in Durham Region, and a public meeting was held on May 7, 2019. Commissioner's Report #2019-P-22 (Attachment #2) provides information on the Amendment, including the policy context and planning analysis.
- 2.2 The Region received one general telephone inquiry in response to the consultation process from a member of the public.
- 2.3 Two individuals spoke at the public meeting in support of the Amendment following the staff presentation. One individual was requesting the extension of services in the Rural Area, which is not the subject of this Amendment. The Amendment is intended to address **connections** to regional water and sanitary sewer services.

3. Consultation

- 3.1 The proposed Amendment and Public Meeting Report were circulated on April 17, 2019. Comments were requested by June 17. By the date of this report, the following comments were received:

Ministry of Municipal Affairs

- 3.2 Comments were received from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Ministry staff confirmed that the Amendment is exempt from Minister's approval. Ministry staff noted that the consideration of potential service connections for existing lots of record or where new lots are permitted may be problematic when considering new land uses on vacant lots. To meet the intent of the Greenbelt Plan,

Ministry staff suggest that the Amendment be revised to permit service connections for existing lots of record (that are eligible for a building permit), where the connection would be to service a new single dwelling only.

- 3.3 Regional staff concur with the suggestion related to existing lots of record and have revised the Amendment accordingly.

Area Municipalities

- 3.4 The Town of Ajax recommended that the issue of service connections in the Rural Area be deferred to the Region's ongoing municipal comprehensive review process, Envision Durham. The Town's position is that this would allow for a comprehensive review of the Rural Areas to ensure that other policy implications related to this Amendment are incorporated into the MCR process. Town staff also raised concerns that for new lots created after the Greenbelt Plan came into effect, that they would now be considered existing uses through this Amendment. The Town recommended alternative wording to remove this provision. The Town also recommended that wording be included in the amendment to ensure that any new lots, if permitted, continue to conform to the Regional lot sizing requirements.
- 3.5 The Region's municipal comprehensive review process, Envision Durham, is ongoing. This Amendment has been developed following a full review of the potential implications to permit water and/or sewer service connections in the Rural Area. Therefore, deferring consideration of the policy to the MCR is not necessary. Within the Greenbelt Plan, new lots can only be permitted in limited circumstances (e.g. Rural Clusters). The recommended Amendment addresses comments of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the conservation authorities regarding compliance with applicable law (see below). Therefore, it is Regional staff's opinion that this issue has been addressed.

Conservation Authorities

- 3.6 Correspondence was received from both the Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority (CLOCA) and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA). Both conservation authorities requested that the reference related to the eligibility of a building permit in the policy be clarified to "meets the requirements of applicable law for a building permit". The recommended Amendment has been updated to satisfy this comment.
- 3.7 CLOCA also requested that all other policies of the Plan be considered if lot creation was permitted. This has been clarified in the recommended Amendment.

3.8 TRCA requested that the ROPA be amended to include provisions for prohibiting the creation of service connections within hazardous lands. It is Regional staff's opinion that subject to any permits required under Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act that may be required, the creation of a service connection for either an existing use, or vacant lot, would potentially have less environmental impacts than the construction of an individual well or private waste disposal system, such as a septic bed. No changes have been made to the recommended Amendment.

Neighbouring Municipalities

3.9 York Region reviewed the proposed amendment and had no objections. The Infrastructure Asset Management branch of York Region's Environmental Services Department suggested that Durham may want to consider adding wording to the Amendment to allow the service connections to existing systems be subject to an engineering assessment of potential impacts to the service levels being provided by the service.

3.10 It is staff's opinion that an "engineering assessment" is what is undertaken through a review of "technical feasibility". However, the recommended Amendment has been revised slightly to improve clarity of wording related to technical feasibility.

Other Agencies

3.11 The Durham Catholic District School Board reviewed the ROPA and had no objections to the Amendment as proposed.

3.12 Regional Departments/Committees

3.13 The Regional Works Department and the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee had no concerns with the Amendment.

3.14 The Durham Environmental Advisory Committee received the report at their May 2019 meeting. No comments were received.

3.15 The Regional Health Department asked for clarification related to the applicability of the Regional lot sizing policy. This has since been clarified in the wording of the recommended Amendment.

4. Notice of Meeting

4.1 Written notification of the meeting time and location of this Planning and Economic Development Committee Meeting was sent to all that requested notification, in accordance with Regional Council procedure.

4.2 The recommendation of the Planning and Economic Development Committee is scheduled to be considered by Regional Council on September 25, 2019. If Council adopts the proposed Amendment, notice will be given by the Regional Clerk and Council's decision will be final unless appealed to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT).

5. Conclusion

5.1 The recommended Amendment takes into consideration the application of the Provincial Policy Statement, the Greenbelt Plan and the policies of the ROP. Accordingly, it is recommended that Amendment #175 to the ROP, as shown in Attachment #1, be adopted.

5.2 It is important to note that subsection 86 (1) of the Municipal Act, 2001 states that a municipality shall supply a building with water or sewage if:

- a. The building lies along a supply line of the municipality for the public utility;
- b. In the case of a water public utility, there is a sufficient supply of water for the building;
- c. In the case of a sewage public utility, there is sufficient capacity for handling sewage from the building; and
- d. The owner, occupant or other person in charge of the building requests the supply in writing.

5.3 An exception is provided in subsection (2), stating "Subsection (1) does not apply if the supply of the public utility to a building or the land on which the building is located would contravene an official plan under the Planning Act that applies to the building, land or public utility."

5.4 Amendment #175 to the Regional Official Plan if approved, could enable buildings to connect in accordance with Subsection 86 (1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, if technically feasible, to the satisfaction of the Region, and in conformity with the Regional Official Plan. If a connection is permitted, payment would be in accordance with the Region of Durham Works Department Water Supply System Bylaw (89-2003) and Sewer System (90-2003) By-law related to frontage and connection fees.

6. Attachments

Attachment #1: Amendment #175 to the Durham Regional Official Plan

Attachment #2: Commissioner's Report #2019-P-22

Respectfully submitted,

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Recommended for Presentation to Committee

Elaine C. Baxter-Trahair
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Recommended Amendment

Regional Official Plan Amendment Application 2019-001

Amendment #175 to the Durham Regional Official Plan

Purpose and Effect:

The purpose of this Amendment is to enable properties, in certain circumstances, which abut regional water and sanitary sewer infrastructure outside the Urban Area Boundary to connect to the Regional system if the connection is technically feasible, to the satisfaction of the Region.

Location:

The Regional Municipality of Durham

Basis:

This Amendment will enable properties which abut regional water and sanitary sewer infrastructure outside of Urban Areas to connect to the Regional system if the connection is technically feasible, to the satisfaction of the Region. If a connection is permitted, payment would be in accordance with the Region of Durham Works Department Water Supply System Bylaw (89-2003) and Sewer System (90-2003) By-law related to frontage and connection fees. Any new lot created would need to be in accordance with the policies of the Regional Official Plan related to lot creation in the rural area, including the Region's Lot Sizing Policy. This would remove the necessity to construct, operate and/or maintain a private water supply and/or sewage disposal system, if applicable.

This Amendment conforms to the Durham Regional Official Plan, the Greenbelt Plan, and the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.

Amendment:

The Durham Regional Official Plan is hereby amended by adding the following policy to Section 5.4:

"5.4.8 Notwithstanding Section 5.3, or any other policy of this Plan to the contrary, a municipal water and/or sanitary sewer connection may be permitted outside the Urban Area Boundary:

- a. *To a legally existing use;*
- b. *For a vacant lot of record that meets the requirements of applicable law for a building permit;*
- c. *Within the Greenbelt Plan area, for a vacant lot of record that meets the requirements of applicable law for a building permit for a single dwelling only; or*
- d. *Where lot creation is permitted by this Plan, subject to conforming to the applicable Regional lot sizing policies related to private services.*

For a property to be considered under this policy, it shall directly abut a municipal watermain or sanitary sewer service within a public right-of-way or easement, and the connection shall be technically feasible, to the satisfaction of the Region.”

Implementation:

The provisions set forth in the Durham Regional Official Plan regarding the implementation of the Plan shall apply in regard to this Amendment.

If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2564



The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

To: Planning and Economic Development Committee
From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: #2019-P-22
Date: May 7, 2019

Subject:

Public Meeting Report

Proposed Regional Official Plan Amendment - Rural Water and Sanitary Sewer Service Connections, File: OPA 2019-001

Recommendation:

- A) That Commissioner's Report #2019-P-22 be received for information; and
 - B) That all submissions received be referred to the Planning Division for consideration.
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Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report provides information on a proposed amendment to the Durham Regional Official Plan (ROP) to consider future connections to existing municipal water and sanitary sewer services outside the Urban Area, in prescribed circumstances.
- 1.2 A "Notice of Public Meeting" has been advertised in the appropriate newspapers and posted on the Region's website. This report was made available to the public prior to the meeting.

2. Background

- 2.1 On March 27, 2019, Regional Council directed staff to initiate a process to amend the ROP to enable consideration of requests for service connections for properties abutting existing municipal services outside the Urban Area (Commissioner's Report

#2019-P-9).

- 2.2 Over the past several years, Regional staff have received requests from property owners outside the Urban Area to connect to existing municipal services that abut their property. These properties are currently on private services (well and/or private sewage disposal), and front a municipal watermain or sanitary sewer, within a public right of way or easement. These properties are typically at the edge of the Urban Area boundary.
- 2.3 In this report, service “extensions” or “expansions” refer to new sanitary sewers and watermains, whereas service “connections” refer to the individual pipes from the sanitary sewers and watermains to the property line of each individual property.
- 2.4 With a few exceptions, development in the Rural Area is intended to be on private water and sewage services. Provincial policy limits growth in the Rural Area by prioritizing municipal water and sanitary sewer services to Urban Areas. The policy intent is to maintain the distinction between Urban Areas and Rural Areas by preventing new development or redevelopment to be supplied with municipal services. This controls lot sizing, and the character, scale and density of development within the Rural Area.
- 2.5 The ROP includes detailed policies that limit the extension of municipal water and sanitary sewer services to the Rural Area, and specifies that onsite private water and sewage disposal services is the preferred method of servicing.
- 2.6 The Region’s current practice is to not allow rural municipal service connections outside Urban Areas, or outside of rural settlement areas (i.e. Hamlets), that have municipal services. Part of the rationale behind this approach has been to maintain the distinction between urban and rural areas, and ensure that lots abutting municipal services within the Rural Area are not subject to urban development pressures, or are developed to urban lotting standards.

3. Policy Context

- 3.1 A policy context for this matter is included as Attachment #1.
- 3.2 For properties within the Greenbelt, Section 4.2.2.2 of the Greenbelt Plan indicates that the extension of municipal or private communal sewage or water services outside of a settlement area boundary shall only be permitted in the case of health issues, or to service existing uses and the expansion thereof, adjacent to the settlement area. It also states that where municipal water services exist outside of a

settlement area, **existing uses** within the service area boundary as defined by the environmental assessment **may be connected** [emphasis added] to such a service. There is not a similar statement related to sanitary sewer service connections.

- 3.3 The ROP contains detailed policies related to the provision of services outside the Urban Area Boundary. The ROP also limits the “extension” of municipal services in the Rural Area, as per the Greenbelt Plan. However, the ROP is silent on municipal water and sanitary sewer service “connections” along existing infrastructure.

4. Analysis

- 4.1 There are approximately 20 geographic areas across the Region where there is an existing municipal water service running adjacent to, or through, a Rural Area. There are approximately 300 properties with existing uses and vacant lots of record that could connect to an existing water service.
- 4.2 There are three geographic areas across the Region where there are existing sanitary sewer services running adjacent to or through the Rural Area. The largest concentration of potentially serviceable existing uses or vacant lots of record are along Townline Road in Clarington, along the municipal boundary with Oshawa. Other areas are along Taunton Road in Ajax and Whitby.

5. Policies in Other Regions

- 5.1 Inquiries were made of the Regional Municipalities of York, Peel, Halton, and Niagara regarding policies and approaches to municipal service connections in rural areas.
- 5.2 York and Halton Regions do not allow rural service connections. Halton Region had the most restrictive and clear policies that prohibit private connections outside of the Urban Area. A companion document, entitled “Urban Services Guidelines” provides additional details on when and where a connection may be considered, and is limited to addressing a large-scale failure of private water or wastewater services or to provide municipal services to public uses. York Region also operates in a two-tiered system for water and sanitary sewer services. The York Region Official Plan is silent on municipal service connections but includes policies that direct municipal services to Urban Areas, and thereby restricts connections within the rural area.
- 5.3 In Peel Region, municipal service connections in the rural area have been permitted on rare occasions. Such connections are limited to situations where an on-site well has failed. In such circumstances, Peel Region staff have relied on the partial

servicing provisions of the PPS as contained in Policy 1.6.6.5, and similar provisions contained in the Peel Region Official Plan.

- 5.4 In Niagara Region, the water system is two-tiered, with the Region responsible for the larger transmission mains and area municipalities having jurisdiction over local distribution lines. Niagara does not allow service connections to Region owned watermains outside of Urban Areas. This is in part because the Regionally owned transmission lines are large concrete mains, which are not desirable or appropriate for direct service connections. Niagara Region is not involved in connection requests to existing buildings where the local distribution line is under the jurisdiction of the area municipality.

6. Proposed Amendment

- 6.1 Attachment #2 is a proposed Regional Official Plan Amendment that has been drafted for consideration by Council, agencies and the public. While no formal input has been received on this process to date, the Planning Act requires a draft of the amendment to be made available to the public prior to the public meeting.
- 6.2 This draft ROPA would enable properties which **abut** regional water and sanitary sewer infrastructure outside the Urban Area Boundary to connect to the Regional system if the connection is **technically feasible**, to the satisfaction of the Region. If a connection is permitted, payment would be in accordance with the Region of Durham Works Department policies and Water Supply and Sanitary Sewer By-laws related to frontage and connection fees.
- 6.3 For further clarification, this proposed ROPA would **not** allow **extensions** of watermains and sanitary sewer services to existing or proposed development in the rural area.
- 6.4 The ROPA proposes to permit a municipal water and/or sanitary sewer connection outside the Urban Area Boundary to: an existing use; a vacant lot of record that is eligible for a building permit; or where a lot can be created, so long as it conforms to the applicable Regional lot sizing policies related to private services.
- 6.5 Examples where connections would not be technically feasible include: large water feeder mains leading to/from a reservoir with inappropriate pressure for a connection, or a large concrete feeder main that does not allow for individual connections. Similarly, connections to large diameter trunk sanitary sewers are inappropriate due to the importance of maintaining maximum structural integrity of these critical pieces of infrastructure, and to allow for surcharging of these pipes in the event of high

flows.

7. Consultation

7.1 The proposed Amendment has been circulated to a variety of agencies for review and comment, including: the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Durham Region area municipalities, neighbouring upper and lower-tier municipalities, and conservation authorities.

8. Public Participation

8.1 Anyone who attends the Region's public meeting may present an oral submission, and/or provide a written submission to Planning and Economic Development Committee and Regional Council on the proposed amendment. Also, any person may make written submissions at any time before Regional Council makes a decision.

8.2 If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or does not make written submissions before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body:

- Is not entitled to appeal the decision of Regional Council to the Land Use Planning Appeal Tribunal; and
- May not be added as a party to an appeal before the Land Use Planning Appeal Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

8.3 Anyone wishing to be notified of Regional Council's decision on the subject amendment must submit a written request to:

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9. Future Regional Council Decision

- 9.1 The Planning and Economic Development Committee will consider the subject application at a future meeting and will make a recommendation to Regional Council. Council's decision will be final unless appealed.
- 9.2 All persons who made oral or written submissions, or have requested notification in writing, will be given written notice of the future meetings of Planning and Economic Development Committee and Regional Council at which the proposed Regional Official Plan Amendment will be considered.

10. Attachments

Attachment #1: Policy Context

Attachment #2: Proposed Amendment

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Policy Context

1. Provincial Policy Context

- 1.1 The Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) focuses growth and development within settlement areas, while supporting the viability of rural areas. It also directs that growth and development be accommodated in a manner that promotes the optimization of existing municipal water and sewage services (1.6.6.1 a). Further, these systems are to be provided in a manner that can be sustained by the water resources upon which such services rely, are financial viable, comply with regulatory requirements, and protect human health and the natural environment (1.6.6.1 b).
- 1.2 The PPS outlines a servicing hierarchy in policies 1.6.6.2, 1.6.6.3, 1.6.6.4, and 1.6.6.5. Municipal sewage and water services are the preferred form of servicing within settlement areas. Where municipal services are not available, private communal sewage and water services may be considered. Where municipal and communal systems are not viable, individual on-site water and sewage services may be used. The PPS states in Policy 1.6.6.5 that partial services are only to be permitted in the following circumstances:
- a. Where they are necessary to address failed individual on-site sewage services and individual on-site water services in existing development;
 - b. Within settlement areas, to allow for infilling and minor rounding out of existing development on partial services, provided the site conditions are suitable for the long-term provision of such services with no negative impacts.
- 1.3 The sewage and water infrastructure policies of the PPS primarily address services within settlement areas and the associated servicing hierarchy.

2. Greenbelt Plan

- 2.1 For properties within the Greenbelt, Section 4.2.2.2 of the Greenbelt Plan indicates that the extension of municipal or private communal sewage or water services outside of a settlement area boundary shall only be permitted in the case of health issues, or to service existing uses and the expansion thereof, adjacent to the settlement area. It also states that where municipal water services exist outside of a settlement area, **existing uses** within the service area boundary as defined by the environmental assessment **may be connected** [emphasis added] to such a service. Most, but not all, the land in the Region outside the Urban Area is within the Greenbelt Plan Area. The Greenbelt Plan does not include a similar statement

related to sanitary sewer connections.

- 2.2 Section 4.2.2.2 of the Greenbelt Plan is one of the policies intended to discourage urban-type development or intensification within the Greenbelt Plan Area.

3. Durham Regional Official Plan

- 3.1 A review was undertaken of the current Regional Official Plan policies related to water and sanitary sewer servicing outside of the Urban Area.

Cultural, Health and Communities Facilities, and Infrastructure – Water and Sewerage Services Policies (Section 5)

- 3.2 Policy 5.3.22 states that Rural Settlements are to develop on individual on-site private services, however, the extension of full or partial municipal services to Rural Settlements or the consideration of new Regionally owned and operated water and/or sewerage facilities in Rural Settlements may be considered where it is deemed necessary to address a serious health or environmental concern as per the policies of the Greenbelt Plan.

Rural System Policies (Section 9)

- 3.3 Policy 9.2.1 states that development in the Rural System is to be on individual private drilled wells and private sewage disposal systems, unless otherwise specified elsewhere in the ROP.

Rural Settlement Policies (Section 9B)

- 3.4 If private wells in Rural Settlements become contaminated, Policy 9B.1.5 places emphasis on addressing the contamination and mitigation measures, rather than the provision of new and/or extended municipal water services. This policy also refers to municipal water service extension proposals, and the requirement for a study to identify impacts arising from a water service extension, as well as establishing any implications for further development on private sewage disposal systems.
- 3.5 Principles for development within Hamlets is provided through Policy 9B.2.4 of the ROP. One of these principles is to guide the preservation, cultural attributes and historic heritage of the Hamlet by providing larger lots to accommodate private services.
- 3.6 Development within Hamlets is to be individually serviced with private drilled wells and private sewage disposal systems where groundwater quantity and quality

permits, as per Policy 9B.2.6. Municipal services may be extended to a Hamlet, provided a detailed study has been undertaken. If municipal services are extended to a Hamlet, the capacity of the service is to be for the delineated Hamlet area only.

- 3.7 Section 9B also contains policies related to infilling within Hamlets and development within Hamlets. The policies emphasize the importance of ensuring that the development has an adequate supply of potable water and satisfactory soil conditions for the effective operation of a private waste sewage system on each proposed residential lot. If a Hamlet is serviced by municipal water supply, a report is required to demonstrate that development on partial municipal services is feasible and sustainable.
- 3.8 Development within Hamlets is only permitted if the required technical studies conclude that the development on individual private services is sustainable, in accordance with Policy 9B.2.13.
- 3.9 Policy 9B.2.14 states that the provision of new and/or expanded municipal services in a Hamlet shall take into consideration, a series of criteria, including but not limited to the following:
- the availability of municipal water and/or sewerage facilities;
 - the feasibility of providing municipal water and/or sewerage facilities;
 - the prohibition of connections to municipal water and/or sewerage facilities outside the Hamlet boundary;
 - sufficient system capacity to service any existing or proposed development, including provision for a reserve capacity to maintain long-term security of the water supply;
 - the soil and groundwater conditions that would enable the effective operation of private sewage disposal systems and justify the lot sizes of the proposed development; and
 - a monitoring program to determine the cumulative effect of the various stages of development on adjacent wells, the capacity of the municipal water supply system and the soil and groundwater conditions.
- 3.10 The ROP also recognizes that there are distinct clusters of non-farm residential development that exist, that have been identified in area municipal official plans and/or zoning by-laws. These are referred to as Rural Clusters. Infill development within the boundary of such clusters may be permitted, provided the infill development is privately serviced and meets the standards of the Region and the Province, as per Policy 9B.2.15.

3.11 Country residential subdivisions are to be individually serviced with drilled wells and private sewage disposal systems, unless otherwise specified.

3.12 Shoreline Residential Areas are to be individually serviced with a private drilled well and a private sewage disposal system which complies with the requisite standards as per Policy 9B.2.23 and implement efficient sewage disposal facilities to reduce nutrient inputs to groundwater and the lake.

Major Open Space Policies (Section 10A)

3.13 The development of non-agricultural uses in Major Open Space Areas are to be serviced with an individual private waste disposal system, and an individual private drilled well, which meet Provincial and Regional standards as per Policy 10A.2.5.

Severances (Section 14.8)

3.14 Policy 14.8.7 states that all parcels of land are to be an adequate size for the use proposed, and where municipal services do not exist and are not to be provided for the development, regard shall be had to the suitability of the soil conditions to provide for an adequate potable private water supply, and for the installation of a satisfactory private sewage disposal system which complies with the requisite standards.

4. Conclusion

4.1 As demonstrated, the ROP contains detailed policies that limit the “extension” of municipal services. However, the ROP is silent on municipal water and sanitary sewer service “connections” along existing infrastructure. As described earlier, the Greenbelt Plan delineates the difference between a municipal service extension and a municipal service connection. While service extensions are explicitly restricted, connections are enabled, subject to meeting certain criteria.

4.2 The Greenbelt Plan permits municipal water service **connections**, subject to meeting specific criteria. There are no conflicting or contrary policies in the Municipal Act, PPS or ROP that would preclude the implementation of Policy 4.2.2.2 of the Greenbelt Plan to permit rural municipal water service connections. There is no similar provision for sanitary sewer connections included in the Greenbelt Plan.

Proposed Amendment
Regional Official Plan Amendment Application 2019-001

Introductory Statement:

The following text constitutes this amendment.

Basis:

This Amendment will enable properties which abut regional water and sanitary sewer infrastructure outside of Urban Areas to connect to the Regional system, removing the necessity to construct, operate and/or maintain a private water supply and/or sewage disposal system.

Details of the Amendment:

The Official Plan of The Regional Municipality of Durham is hereby amended as follows:

- 1) Adding Policy language to Section 5.4 of the Durham Regional Official Plan as per Table 1 attached hereto and forming part of this amendment.

Table 1
Policy Amendment

Item	New Section Number	Details of Policy Amendment
1.	5.4.8	Add a new policy that states: “Notwithstanding Section 5.3.22, or any other policy of this Plan to the contrary, a municipal water and/or sanitary sewer connection may be permitted outside the Urban Area Boundary to an existing use, a vacant lot of record that is eligible for a building permit, or where lot creation is permitted subject to conforming to the applicable Regional lot sizing policies related to private services. The property shall abut a municipal watermain or sanitary sewer service within a public right-of-way or easement, and the connection shall be technically feasible, to the satisfaction of the Region.”



The Corporation of
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August 12, 2019

The Honourable Laurie Scott, MPP
Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock
14 Lindsay Street North
Lindsay, Ontario
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Dear Madam:

Re: Regional Governance Review
Request for the Special Advisors Report

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Brock, at their meeting held on July 30, 2019, adopted the following resolution:

Resolution Number 6-19

“WHEREAS the Regional Governance Review Terms of Reference for Special Advisors Michael Fenn and Ken Seiling states that all materials produced by the Special Advisors, including research, analysis, reports and recommendations, are the exclusive property of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and may be released publicly at the discretion of the Ministry; and,

WHEREAS the Regional Governance Review must be transparent in the interest of accountability and in consideration of the potential impacts to local and regional municipal governments and the communities they serve; and,

WHEREAS the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks, and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) has requested that the report of the Special Advisors to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, containing the findings and recommendations be made public; and,

WHEREAS the Township of Brock has been operating with an interim Chief Administrative Officer since April and interim Director of Public Works since the end of June due to the pending Regional Governance Review; and,

WHEREAS the pending Regional Governance Review has negatively impacted the Township of Brock’s ability to move forward with the hiring of a permanent CAO and Director of Public Works due to a lack of interest in these positions until such time as the review is complete; and

WHEREAS the Township of Brock is unable to move forward with these two key

positions until the review is complete;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Township of Brock Council endorse AMCTO's position and request that the report prepared by the Special Advisors, regarding the Regional Governance Review, be publicly released immediately upon its completion and presentation to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; and,

That the Municipal Clerk circulate a copy of this resolution to Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, M.P.P. Laurie Scott, Special Advisors Michael Fenn and Ken Seiling, AMCTO, AMO, and all GTA municipalities."

Should you have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Becky Jamieson".

Becky Jamieson
Clerk

BJ: dh

cc. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Special Advisors on Regional Governance, Messrs. Michael Fern and Ken Seiling
GTA municipalities
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August 9, 2019

The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario
Ministry of the Attorney General
720 Bay St
11th Floor
Toronto ON
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Dear Honourable Sir:

Re: Enforcement for Safety on Family Farms

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of South Frontenac passed the following resolution at their meeting August 6, 2019:

That Council support the resolution passed by the Township of Warwick regarding the safety on family farms,

And that the Premier, Attorney General, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, AMO, ROMA and all other municipalities be informed of this decision.
Carried.

Our Council was strongly supportive of the Township of Warwick's position to find a better way to ensure stronger enforcement of existing laws or the creation of new legislation to ensure that the safety of Ontario's farm families, employees and animals. There have been a number of incidents recently where farmers and livestock transporters have been harassed and activists have had no regard for private property and leaving farmers feeling unprotected by the Ontario legal system. A copy of the Township of Warwick resolution is attached.

We look forward to receiving any updates on this matter.

Yours truly

Angela Maddocks
Clerk

Encl.

- c.c. Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General
- Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
- All Ontario Municipalities
- AMO
- ROMA

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June 26, 2019

The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario
Ministry of the Attorney General
720 Bay Street
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Toronto, ON M7A 2S9

Dear Honourable Sir:

Re: Resolution Regarding Enforcement for Safety on Family Farms

Please be advised that Warwick Township Council adopted the following resolution at their regular meeting on June 17, 2019:

WHEREAS agriculture is the second largest industry in Ontario, contributing \$13.7 billion annually to Ontario's GDP and is essential for putting food on the tables of millions of people here and around the world;

AND WHEREAS in recent months there has been a steady increase in harassment of farmers and livestock transporters by activists opposed to animal agriculture and the consumption of animals;

AND WHEREAS the protests have become blatantly illegal in nature with extremist groups trespassing onto private property, unlawfully entering into buildings and removing animals without fear of prosecution and even promoting and publishing their crimes on social media;

AND WHEREAS maintaining proper biosecurity is essential to ensure the health and well-being of the animals cared for on these agricultural operations;

AND WHEREAS the recent attacks on farmers homes and businesses have resulted in no criminal charges laid, leaving farmers feeling unprotected by the Ontario legal system and afraid for the welfare of themselves, their families, their employees and the animals they care for;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Warwick requests that Hon. Doug Downey work with his fellow MPP's and agricultural leaders to find a better way forward to ensure stronger enforcement of existing laws - or new legislation - to ensure the safety of Ontario's farm families, employees and animals;

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be circulated to Hon. Doug Downey, Ministry of the Attorney General, Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Hon. Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General and Hon. Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and all Municipalities in the Province of Ontario, AMO, and ROMA.

- Carried.

Yours truly,



Amanda Gubbels
Administrator/Clerk
Township of Warwick

cc: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General
The Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
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Corporation of the Municipality of Thames Centre
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August 13, 2019

The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario
Ministry of the Attorney General
720 Bay Street
11th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 2S9

Dear Honourable Sir:

RE: RESOLUTION REGARDING ENFORCEMENT FOR SAFETY ON FAMILY FARMS

Please be advised that the Council of the Municipality of Thames Centre passed the following resolution at their meeting on August 12, 2019:

RESOLVED THAT Council support the motion provided by the Township of Warwick with regards to Enforcement Safety on Family Farms. Carried.

We look forward to receiving any updates on this matter.

Sincerely,

Tena Michiels
Clerk
Municipality of Thames Centre

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June 26, 2019

The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario
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Dear Honourable Sir:

Re: Resolution Regarding Enforcement for Safety on Family Farms

Please be advised that Warwick Township Council adopted the following resolution at their regular meeting on June 17, 2019:

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AND WHEREAS in recent months there has been a steady increase in harassment of farmers and livestock transporters by activists opposed to animal agriculture and the consumption of animals;

AND WHEREAS the protests have become blatantly illegal in nature with extremist groups trespassing onto private property, unlawfully entering into buildings and removing animals without fear of prosecution and even promoting and publishing their crimes on social media;

AND WHEREAS maintaining proper biosecurity is essential to ensure the health and well-being of the animals cared for on these agricultural operations;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Warwick requests that Hon. Doug Downey work with his fellow MPP's and agricultural leaders to find a better way forward to ensure stronger enforcement of existing laws - or new legislation - to ensure the safety of Ontario's farm families, employees and animals;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this motion be circulated to Hon. Doug Downey, Ministry of the Attorney General, Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Hon. Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General and Hon. Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and all Municipalities in the Province of Ontario, AMO, and ROMA.

- Carried.

Yours truly,



Amanda Gubbels
Administrator/Clerk
Township of Warwick

cc: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General
The Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
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Municipality of *Bluewater*

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Transmitted VIA Email
doug.ford@pc.ola.org

Legislative Building
ATTN: Premier of Ontario
Queens Park
Toronto, ON
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Dear Doug Ford:

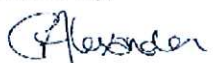
Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Bluewater at its regular meeting on July 29, 2019 passed the following resolution:

MOVED: Councillor Whetstone **SECONDED:** Councillor Harris
THAT the Corporation of the Municipality of Bluewater endorse and supports the resolution of the Town of Halton Hills calling upon the Province of Ontario, through the discussion paper entitled "Reducing Litter and Waste in our Communities", to review and implement a deposit/return program for all single use plastic, aluminum and metal drink containers;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario review current producer requirements and look for extended producer responsibility for all packaging;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks; the Minister of Municipal Affairs; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the County of Huron, and all municipalities in the Province of Ontario. **CARRIED.**

Sincerely,



Chandra Alexander
Manager of Corporate Services



THE CORPORATION
OF
THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Moved by: Clark Somerville Date: July 8, 2019
Councillor Clark Somerville

Seconded by: James F. Fogal Resolution No.: _____

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, has posted a discussion paper entitled "Reducing Litter and Waste in our Communities";

AN WHEREAS producer responsibility has not been adequately addressed by the Province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS a successful deposit/return program for single use plastic, aluminum and metal drink containers has been in existence in other Provinces in Canada including Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and British Columbia;

AND WHEREAS these successful program have eliminated many of these containers from the natural environment;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Halton Hills call upon the Province of Ontario, through the discussion paper entitled "Reducing Litter and Waste in our Communities", to review and implement a deposit/return program for all single use plastic, aluminum and metal drink containers;

AND FURTHER THAT that the Province of Ontario review current producer requirements and look for extended producer responsibility for all packaging;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Premier of Ontario; the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; the Minister of Municipal Affairs; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Region of Halton; and all municipalities in the Province of Ontario.

Rick Bonnette
Mayor Rick Bonnette



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August 14, 2019

Royal Canadian Legion
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Dear Lt. Col. Ferguson Mobbs and members of the Royal Canadian Legion,

At its meeting of August 6, 2019, the Council of The Corporation of The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury passed the following motion with respect to the Never Forgotten National Memorial.

Resolution 2019-275 Leduc/Contois

WHEREAS the residents of Bradford West Gwillimbury have a proud tradition of honouring those who made the supreme sacrifice on behalf of Canada in armed conflicts across the world;

AND WHEREAS the Never Forgotten National Memorial Foundation has been established to develop commemorative programming, exhibits and monuments at a site on Cape Breton Island as a place of remembrance and thanks for those brave individuals who lost their lives so far from home;

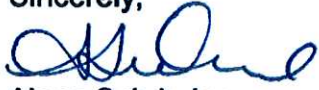
AND WHEREAS the Orville Hand Branch 521 of the Royal Canadian Legion has endorsed the Never Forgotten National Monument Program;

AND WHEREAS the Foundation is seeking the support of businesses, agencies, government organizations, and individuals across Canada to bring life to this important national memorial;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury supports efforts to develop the Never Forgotten National Memorial and so advises Mr. Scot Davidson – Member of Parliament, the Honorable Caroline Mulroney – Member of Provincial Parliament, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and all municipalities in Ontario.

CARRIED.

Sincerely,



Alana Schrieder
Administrative Assistant

c: Scot Davidson, MP
Hon. Caroline Mulroney, MPP, York-Simcoe
Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and all municipalities of Ontario



August 13, 2019

The Honourable Jeff Yurek
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Re: Request For Provincial Response to address Gas Well Issues

Norfolk County Council, at their meeting of July 9 2019, approved Resolution No. 4 which reads as follows:

Res. No. 4

THAT THAT Staff Report HSS 19-31, Leaking Gas Wells - Ministry of Natural Resources Funding Update, be received as information;

AND THAT Council approve the proposed plan and direct staff to obtain required approvals and licensing from the required Ministries;

AND THAT Council exempt staff from the quotation and tendering procedures for goods and services outlined in Norfolk County Policy ECS-02 in accordance with single source and emergency purchase provisions, as required, for the work described in this report for remediation at the site located at 1925 Forestry Farm Road, Langton and further research for the broader hydrogeological challenges in the area;

AND THAT Council authorizes the General Manager, Health and Social Services and/or the General Manager, Public Works to enter into the necessary contracts with the appropriate suppliers, contractors and sub-contractors to complete the work;

AND THAT Council authorizes staff to amend the 2019 Capital Plan for the 1925 Forestry Farm Road, Langton project once external funding has been secured at which time the project can proceed.

AND THAT the Mayor and Council provide a letter to the Honourable John Yakabuski, MNRF, Mike Harris, Parliamentary Assistant to the MNRF and Toby Barret, Haldimand Norfolk MPP, demanding immediate funding for municipal extraneous costs to implement the permanent solution for the leaking gas well at 1925 Forestry Farm Road, Langton and the broader hydrogeological research;

AND THAT the Mayor and Council provide a letter to the Honourable Jeff Yurek, MECP, Andrea Khanjin, Parliamentary Assistant to the MECP and Toby Barrett, Haldimand Norfolk MPP requesting engagement with Norfolk County, other Ministries and the experts to advance the knowledge of the leaking gas wells and its impacts and to demand funding for municipal extraneous costs of the air quality monitoring affecting the health and wellbeing of the residents and the remediation of the environmental impacts;

AND THAT Council be made aware of any future requests to the County for additional seismic exploration in Norfolk County prior to permission being granted;

AND FURTHER THAT copies of this resolution be sent to Ministry of the Environment, Ministry of Health, Ontario Geological Survey and all Ontario Municipalities.

The staff report may be viewed online on the County's Website, (Item 5 b) i), July 9, 2019).

Yours Truly,



Andrew Grozelle
County Clerk

- cc. The Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care
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