



The Regional Municipality of Durham

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There are no Miscellaneous Correspondence

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Members of Council – Please advise the Regional Clerk at clerks@durham.ca, if you wish to pull an item from this CIP and include on the next regular agenda of the appropriate Standing Committee. Items will be added to the agenda if the Regional Clerk is advised by Wednesday noon the week prior to the meeting, otherwise the item will be included on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled meeting of the applicable Committee.

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health
Report: [#2023-INFO-46](#)
Date: June 2, 2023

Subject:

Durham Region Opioid Response Plan Status Update

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 To provide an update on the Durham Region Opioid Response Plan.

2. Background

2.1 Opioids are a class of drugs that are usually prescribed to treat moderate to severe pain, coughs and/or diarrhea. Opioids can cause euphoria (feeling high) which gives them the potential to be used improperly. The risks of using opioids include physical dependence, substance use disorder and poisoning. While opioids can be prescribed and obtained through pharmacies, they can also be produced and obtained illegally.

2.2 The opioid crisis is a complex public health issue and is the result of multiple complex factors which include:

- a. A misunderstanding of the addictive risk of prescription opioids.
- b. Psychological, social and biological risk factors like genetics, mental health, early life experiences, trauma, poverty, lack of secure housing and other social determinants of health.
- c. Stigma towards substance use disorders.

- d. Frequent opioid prescribing and high amounts being prescribed for pain relief.
 - e. Lack of awareness or access to alternative treatments for pain.
 - f. Use of prescription opioids by individuals to whom they are not prescribed, such as friends and family members.
 - g. Lack of access to prescription opioids leading to illicit opioid use.
 - h. Illegal drugs that are laced with fentanyl and its analogues.
 - i. A lack of comprehensive care to respond to all the mental and physical health needs of an individual.
- 2.3 The opioid crisis can impact anyone, but it disproportionately impacts individuals living in low-income situations, individuals who are unemployed, people with disabilities, and Indigenous communities contending with systemic racism, trauma, and intergenerational trauma.
- 2.4 In August 2017, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) announced that that public health units across the province were accountable under the Ministry's [Harm Reduction Program Enhancement](#) plan to address the opioid situation through three key components:
- a. Develop a local opioid response plan.
 - b. Naloxone distribution and training.
 - c. Develop an opioid overdose early warning and surveillance system.
- 2.5 Local opioid response requirements include building on and leveraging existing programs and services to increase access to programs and services. It is expected that public health units will engage stakeholders and identify partners to support development and implementation of a local overdose response plan, informed by population health and a situational assessment to identify local needs, gaps, community challenges and issues.
- 2.6 In October 2017, Durham Region Health Department (DRHD) held an [Opioid Forum](#) with approximately 100 stakeholders in attendance. During the forum a situational assessment was conducted, which included next steps in developing a coordinated opioid response plan for the Region.
- 2.7 The Durham Region Opioid Response Plan aligns with the pillars of [Health Canada's Canadian Drugs and Substances Strategy](#) to ensure the work is comprehensive and supported by a strong evidence base.
- 2.8 The first [Local Opioid Response Plan](#) included the following priority areas for action:

- a. Develop an opioid poisoning early warning and surveillance system (coordinate surveillance activities and use “real-time” data from across sectors).
- b. Support on-going knowledge exchange/intelligence sharing related to opioids.
- c. Increase public and service provider awareness of the connection between mental health, trauma and substance use.
- d. Increase treatment options that are relevant and accessible within Durham Region.
- e. Develop a local evidence-based harm reduction strategy that fosters service coordination and increased access to harm reduction services and supplies to priority populations.
- f. Implement naloxone distribution and training.
- g. Continue addressing illicit drug production, supply and distribution.

2.9 An [Opioid Response Plan Status Report](#) was released in June 2018.

2.10 The [Durham Region Opioid Overdose Early Warning and Surveillance System \(DROIS\)](#) was launched in July 2018, to coordinate surveillance activities and use of real-time data. The system is accessible to the public and allows community agencies, first responders and public health to tailor services to meet the needs of community members and specifically, people who use drugs.

2.11 The Durham Region Opioid Task Force members are stewards of the opioid response plan who come together regularly to ensure a wide variety of perspectives are considered in discussions and decisions. This ongoing communication and collaboration works to: advance service coordination and service access, and identify service gaps and opportunities to address the gaps, where feasible.

2.12 In fall 2018, the Durham Region Opioid Task Force conducted service mapping exercises to identify gaps and barriers with respect to local harm reduction and treatment services. One of the key learnings from the exercise identified a gap in knowledge and understanding of the local services being provided, across the many service organizations. The need for a central database of local harm reduction and treatment services was identified. Task force members worked with the 211Durham service providers to further populate the existing database, ensuring it contained current and detailed information about local addictions and mental health services. The 211Durham service was integrated into the provincial database of services called [211Ontario.ca](#), which allows Durham Region residents and service providers to find and access local harm reduction and treatment services.

2.13 DRHD, in collaboration with Task Force members, continued to assess the local

situation regularly. Additional consultation occurred with people who have lived experience of drug use, the Downtown Oshawa Business Improvement Association as well as members of the public. The [DRHD Opioid Consultation Report](#) was published in March 2019.

- 2.14 DRHD in collaboration with the Task Force, developed and launched a local anti-stigma campaign entitled [People Who Use Drugs are Real People. Get Informed. Get Involved. Get Help.](#) The purpose of this campaign was to increase public and service provider awareness of the connection between mental health, trauma, and substance use. Evidence shows that stigma acts as a significant barrier to individuals who are seeking services and support.
- 2.15 On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak a global pandemic. The Task Force paused its work to enable DRHD staff to fully support the local pandemic response. During this time, naloxone distribution to community agencies and monitoring of the [Durham Region Opioid Information System](#) continued.

3. Current Status

- 3.1 In 2022, Durham Region males, across all age groups, were more likely to visit the Emergency Department for an opioid poisoning. Males aged 25 to 44 years had the highest rate of hospitalizations, while females aged 45 to 64 had the highest rate of hospitalizations.
- 3.2 The [rate of hospitalizations](#) from an opioid overdose in Durham Region residents increased slightly from 2012 to 2021. There were approximately 15 opioid-related hospitalizations per 100,000 Durham Region residents in 2012 compared to 18 hospitalizations per 100,000 Durham Region residents in 2021
- 3.3 The [rate of opioid-related deaths](#) in 2021 is five times higher than in 2012. There were approximately four opioid-related deaths per 100,000 Durham Region residents in 2012 compared to 18 deaths per 100,000 Durham Region residents in 2021.
- 3.4 In 2020 and 2021, Durham Region was below the [Provincial rates for hospitalizations and deaths.](#)
- 3.5 DRHD has the seventh lowest opioid toxicity mortality rate compared to all 34 Ontario Public Health Units (January to December 2022).
- 3.6 [Neonatal abstinence syndrome](#) (NAS) is a set of withdrawal symptoms experienced when a newborn is exposed to certain substances (e.g., opioids, antidepressants, barbiturates, and benzodiazepines) in the womb before birth. NAS is most often a result of exposure to opioids. A NAS diagnosis usually occurs in the first 28 days of life.
- 3.7 [NAS rates in Durham Region](#) have remained stable since 2014. In 2021, 27

newborns were admitted to a hospital and diagnosed with NAS in the first 28 days of life. This represents 3.5 newborns for every 1,000 live births to Durham Region residents. The rate of NAS among newborns born to Oshawa residents has decreased in recent years. Between 2017 and 2021, the rate of neonatal abstinence syndrome hospitalizations in newborns born to Oshawa residents decreased from 18.1 to 7.6.

- 3.8 Hepatitis C, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) are infectious diseases commonly associated with injection drug use. Consistently, [Durham Region has lower incident rates of Hepatitis C, HIV and AIDS](#) compared to Ontario (Interpret 2020 and 2021 data with caution due to changes in the availability of health care and health seeking behaviour during the COVID-19 pandemic).
- 3.9 During the height of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021, Durham Region experienced a higher-than-normal number of [paramedic service calls](#) related to suspected opioid poisonings. In 2022, a decline was noted with approximately 573 suspected opioid poisoning calls received by Region of Durham Paramedic Services (RDPS), compared to 998 calls in 2021, and 725 calls in 2020. The 2022 data closely reflect pre-pandemic trends.
- 3.10 In fall 2021, an updated [Opioid Response Plan](#) was created. The updated plan is an evolution of the work completed within the first response plan. There continues to be a strong focus on collaboration and coordination to reduce opioid related overdoses and deaths.
- 3.11 The [multi-year plan](#) includes the following areas for action:
 - a. Collaboration and coordination with experts in the field of housing and homelessness.
 - b. Prevention strategies for problematic substance use.
 - c. A strong focus on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, Call to Action report and ensuring the work carried out considers these important recommendations.
 - d. Coordination with partners to foster timely access to services for people who use substances and are seeking treatment and/or harm reduction services.
 - e. Contributing to the maintenance of a healthy and safe community in downtown Oshawa.
 - f. Increasing client awareness of available harm reduction and treatment services within Durham Region.

- g. Working with Lakeridge Health to help inform the development of treatment pathways and to assist with the identification of gaps in care.
- h. Identify opportunities to leverage current services to include a peer-based model of support for harm reduction, outreach and treatment services.
- i. Expanding access to naloxone.
- j. Employing evidence-based recommendations to enhance needle exchange services.
- k. Raising awareness of how stigma acts as a barrier to accessing treatment, harm reduction and support services.
- l. Working in collaboration with Durham Regional Police Service (DRPS) to address illicit drug production, supply and distribution.
- m. Collaborating with DRPS to identify opportunities for transitioning individuals from police services to community-based treatment and harm reduction services.

3.12 The task force prioritized the following areas, within the first phase of the action plan:

- a. To ensure work is coordinated across many areas the Opioid Task Force is represented and actively involved with the: Mental Health and Addictions Integrated Planning Committee and Emergency Care Working Group, the Central East Opioid Strategy Table, and the Community Safety and Wellbeing Plan.
- b. The development and launch of the [Report Drugs tool](#), which allows anonymous reporting of qualitative data that can be used to inform the DRHD's Drug Alert and Early Warning System.
- c. Conducting service mapping to identify potential gaps in services related to police calls for public disruption and non-criminal offences. As a result of the service mapping exercise, key stakeholders (DRPS, Social Services and the Primary Care Outreach Program) planned additional strategies and service connections for Downtown Oshawa.
- d. Implementing a public awareness campaign to help community members understand how stigma can act as a significant barrier for individuals seeking help, and what residents can do to help address stigma within the community.
- e. In 2022, there were a total of 573 suspected opioid overdose calls received by RDPS. Of these calls, 398 (69 per cent) were in Oshawa, while Ajax had

11 per cent of the calls. A 2022 density map (heat map) for RDPS calls related to suspected opioid overdoses is available on [Durham.ca](https://www.durham.ca).

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 The Opioid Task Force continues to meet regularly to assess the current situation related to opioid overdose and to address the areas identified within the updated [Durham Region Opioid Response Plan](#).
- 4.2 The Opioid Response Plan 2023 Status Update will be available on [Durham.ca](https://www.durham.ca) in June 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health



The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health
Report: [#2023-INFO-47](#)
Date: June 2, 2023

Subject:

Consumption and Treatment Services Application Overview

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 To provide information on the application process for Consumption and Treatment Services (CTS) in Ontario to support individuals that use opioids and other drugs.

2. Background

2.1 [Canadian](#) and [international](#) evidence demonstrates that supervised consumption services help to save lives, connect people to social services, serve as pathways to treatment and lower rates of public drug use and infectious diseases associated with shared needles.

2.2 The federal government (Health Canada) remains responsible for granting exemptions to Section 56.1 of the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* (CDSA) to operate [Supervised Consumption Services \(SCS\)](#).

2.3 Ontario augments Health Canada's SCS program to include requirements for treatment and support services (herein referred to as Consumption and Treatment Services [CTS]).

2.4 In October 2018, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care announced a new [CTS model](#) to replace the former Supervised Consumption Services and Overdose Prevention Site models established by the previous government.

2.5 In 2019, Lakeridge Health, John Howard Society of Durham Region and Durham

Region Health Department (DRHD) partnered to complete a [public consultation regarding CTS](#), including a [public survey](#) to assess the need for a CTS in Durham Region.

- 2.6 At its meeting on May 4, 2023, the Health & Social Services Committee inquired as to whether municipal consent is still required in order for a local CTS to be established.

3. Current Status

- 3.1 Organizations applying for a CTS must also [apply to Health Canada for an exemption to Section 56.1](#) of the CDSA to operate supervised consumption services.
- 3.2 Applicants who apply to the [CTS funding program](#) typically apply simultaneously to the CTS program and to [Health Canada for the CDSA exemption](#).
- 3.3 Mandatory services include supervised consumption and overdose prevention services, access to addictions treatment services, primary care, mental health, housing and/or other social supports, and harm reduction services.
- 3.4 CTS are not to be concentrated in one area or neighbourhood, and proximity to similar services is to be considered. Additionally, proximity to childcare centres, parks and/or schools (including post-secondary institutions) is to be considered.
- 3.5 CTS operators will be required to support ongoing community engagement and liaison initiatives to address local community and neighbourhood concerns on an ongoing basis.
- 3.6 The Ministry of Health (MOH) accepts applications for CTS on an ongoing basis. The [Consumption and Treatment Services: Application Guide](#) provides information and guidance on the provincial CTS program requirements and application process.
- 3.7 CTS applications are assessed based on the following program criteria:
- a. Local conditions (mortality/morbidity data, proxy measures for drug use).
 - b. Capacity (to provide treatment and consumption services).
 - c. Proximity (to similar services, and to childcare centres, parks, and schools, including post-secondary institutions).
 - d. Community support and ongoing community engagement.
 - e. Accessibility.
- 3.8 Eligible applicants include Community Health Centres (CHC), Aboriginal Health Access Centres or similar incorporated health care or community-based organizations that can offer the full range of mandatory services.
- 3.9 The applicant must either be the proprietor of the site or submit a letter of permission from the proprietor with the application.

3.10 It is encouraged that sites offer consistent hours of operation, seven days per week. Proposed hours should be based on the local context and consultation with community stakeholders, local community groups, and persons with lived experience.

3.11 Applicants must meet minimum site requirements:

- a. Provide a floor plan indicating where:
 - Service intake, consumption, and post-consumption care (i.e., aftercare room) will be located
 - Other mandatory services will occur
 - Hand hygiene sink and foot wash station will be located
 - Accessible washrooms will be located.
- b. Verify the facility meets municipal by-laws and provincial regulations for accessibility.
- c. Verify the site meets MOH design standards for a consumption service.
- d. Verify physical safety and security measures are in place to ensure client, staff and community safety including:
 - Provincial and municipal safety requirements
 - Fire safety plan
 - Security plan
 - Paramedics and other first responders have access to the consumption and post-consumption (i.e., aftercare) rooms
 - Occupational health and safety requirements
 - Infection prevention and control requirements.

3.12 Community consultation is a requirement of the federal CDSA exemption application and does not have to be carried out separately for the Ontario program application, provided the consultation meets provincial requirements.

- a. Examples of consultation tools include, but are not limited to:
 - Door-to-door or other canvassing (e.g., flyers)
 - General email account (to receive feedback and respond to inquiries)
 - Information meetings/open houses
 - Presenting at community associations or other meetings
 - Survey
 - Website, including opportunities for individuals to submit feedback.
- b. At a minimum, the following stakeholders should be consulted on the CTS:
 - Health and social service stakeholders (e.g., addictions treatment, mental health, housing)
 - Local businesses and/or business associations

- Local citizens and/or community groups
- Local municipality
- Police and other emergency services
- Public health (local board of health)
- Persons with lived experience.

3.13 As part of their application, applicants:

a. Must submit a consultation report that provides:

- Who was consulted
- A summary of feedback from each stakeholder group
- Concerns raised by stakeholder groups, if any
- How concerns will be addressed.

b. Must obtain and submit local municipal council support (i.e., council resolution) endorsing the CTS

c. Should submit other evidence of support for the CTS. This can include, but is not limited to:

- Letters of support from partnering organizations, local businesses and/or other stakeholders
- Board of health resolution.

d. Applicants must also submit a community engagement and liaison plan which outlines how the community will be engaged on an ongoing basis. The plan may include:

- Follow-up(s) after initial consultations
- Public education about CTS
- Engagement mechanisms to identify and address community concerns on an ongoing basis.

3.14 Applicants must submit a budget which provides a breakdown of all the operational costs, including a brief description and rationale for the quantity and cost for each item requested.

3.15 Operational cost items can include: salaries and benefits, supplies and services, and program, administrative, phone and IT expenses. The program will fund up to a maximum of 10 per cent of the total operating budget for administrative and IT expenses. Operating costs will be assessed against comparative provincial services of similar size and scale.

3.16 As part of the monitoring and reporting requirements, CTS operators will be required to report on [pre-established indicators](#) on a monthly basis.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 Completed CTS application forms and accompanying documents should be submitted to: Addiction and Substances Unit, Health Protection, Policy and Partnerships Branch, Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, Public Health, Ontario Ministry of Health.
- 4.2 As in the past, DRHD will continue to assist and support the preparation of CTS applications, and if approved, with the implementation and evaluation of CTS.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Social Services
Report: [#2023-INFO-48](#)
Date: June 2, 2023

Subject:

Expansion of Directly Operated Regional child care to provide central Oshawa families with continued access to high quality, licensed child care and align with revised school board boundaries.

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide information regarding an expansion of Regional Municipality of Durham (Region) Directly Operated Child Care to align with the revised school boundaries in central Oshawa.

2. Background

2.1 The Region's Social Services Department, Children's Services Division as the Consolidated Municipal Service Manager (CMSM) has worked with the Province of Ontario (Ontario), local school boards and community early learning and child care partners to expand access to high quality licensed child care in Durham.

2.2 Although expansion in the Child Care system has been substantial, families continue to encounter waitlists to access spaces in Durham. Durham's population growth, the implementation of the Canada Wide Early Learning Child Care (CWELCC) system and work force pressures continue to create barriers to access.

2.3 The Ministry of Education provided CMSM's with guidance and targets for expansion and the Region's expansion plan is based on a data driven community analysis. Durham's provincial target for expansion is 2,029 spaces between 2022 and 2026. This is one of the highest allocations of expansion spaces set for any CMSM in the province.

3. Village Union Public School

- 3.1 In 2023, the Durham District School Board (DDSB) completed a boundary change review that will realign neighbourhood boundaries in central Oshawa to take effect in September 2023 for the 2023-2024 school year
- 3.2 The neighbourhoods served by Clara Hughes Public School (Clara Hughes) will shift, resulting in some families currently accessing child care at Clara Hughes Early Learning and Child Care Center moving to Village Union Public School (Village Union).
- 3.3 There is currently no before and after school care program offered at Village Union and families moving Village Union will need before-and-after childcare.
- 3.4 The DDSB asked that the Region expand their before-and-after child care program to accommodate families moving to Village Union as children benefit most from consistent child care. High-quality licensed child care that supports the development of cognitive and social skills can enhance school readiness and help children achieve later school success.
- 3.5 The expansion of before-and-after child care spaces is in alignment with the child care expansion plan for Durham Region.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 That this report be received for information.
- 4.2 A Regionally operated before and after school child care program will be offered at Village Union Public School in September 2023, to align with the boundary revisions completed by the Durham District School Board.
- 4.3 For additional information, contact: Julie Gaskin, Director, Children's Services Division, at 905-668-4113 extension 2830.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner of Social Services

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Finance
Report: [#2023-INFO-49](#)
Date: June 2, 2023

Subject:

Use of Delegated Authority Under the Budget Management Policy and Purchasing By-law and Delegated Authority Granted Under By-law 17-2020 Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic for the period of September 1 to December 31, 2022

Recommendation:

Receive for Information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 This report provides details related to capital program awards and material contract amendments for the period of September 1 to December 31, 2022, in accordance with the Region's Budget Management Policy and Purchasing By-law 16-2020. This report also covers the use of delegated authority granted in Section 19 of the Region's Budget Management Policy for the most recent recess of Regional Council, as well as the delegated authority granted under By-law 17-2020 related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

1.2 All dollar amounts are before applicable taxes.

2. Previous Reports and Decisions

2.1 The Region's Budget Management Policy and Purchasing By-law 16-2020 were approved by Regional Council (Council) on March 25, 2020. The Budget Management Policy provides guidelines for semi-annual reporting by the Treasurer to Council where financing of additional costs of contracts and/or projects has been provided through reallocation of funds within the limits outlined in the Policy. Similarly, the Purchasing By-law requires reporting to Council of

emergency purchases over \$100,000, awards of proposals for the total purchase price of \$100,000 or greater, and renewal of existing software licenses, support and maintenance agreements.

- 2.2 The previous semi-annual report, #2022-INFO-76, covered the period of January 1 to August 31, 2022. Report #2022-INFO-74 covered the use of delegated authority under By-law 17-2020 for the same period.

3. Reallocation of Capital Financing Under \$250,000

- 3.1 Section 15.4 of the Region's Budget Management Policy requires that where the estimated project costs, based on the award of a tender or other contracts, are expected to exceed the approved capital project budget by less than \$250,000, the additional expenditure and financing shall be approved by the Department Head, Treasurer and C.A.O. Financing for the additional project costs will be provided through reallocation from within the current year capital program, with details of the material reallocations incorporated into a semi-annual information report submitted by the Treasurer.

- 3.2 Instances where there was a reallocation of capital financing under \$250,000, based on tender awards, for the period are described below:

Project	Approved Project Budget \$	Revised Project Budget \$	Total Increase \$
1. Request for Proposal 1073-2022 for Engineering Services to complete Region-Wide Water Supply Valve Chamber Inspection and Condition Assessments (D2239). Funding was allocated from the Allowance for Unknown Requirements project (M2209) and the Allowance for Acquisition of Easements project (M2201).	300,000	450,000	150,000

- 3.3 Section 17.2 of the Region's Budget Management Policy requires that where additional commitments that increase the cumulative project over-expenditure by an amount less than \$250,000, the additional expenditure and financing shall be approved by the Department Head, Treasurer and C.A.O. Financing for the additional project costs will be provided through reallocation from within the current year capital program, with the details of the material reallocations incorporated into a semi-annual information report submitted by the Treasurer.

3.4 Instances where there was a reallocation of capital financing under \$250,000 for additional expenditures for the period are described below:

Project	Approved Project Budget \$	Revised Project Budget \$	Total Increase \$
1. Contract D2017-17 for the Harmony Creek Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) Upgrade Phase 3 project, in the City of Oshawa (D1523). Funding was allocated from the Metrolinx Toronto East Rail Corridor Expansion to Bowmanville project, in the Municipality of Clarington (D2222), the Allowance for Acquisition of Easements project (M2201), the Allowance for Sundry Extensions as per Council Policy project (M2208) and the Allowance for Engineering Studies project (M2207).	23,452,273	23,644,397	192,124
2. Contract D2015-036 for the Construction of the Brock Rd. Feedermain and Sanitary Sewer Phase 3 project from the Canadian Pacific Railway to Old Taunton Rd., in the City of Pickering (D1018). Funding was allocated from the Allowance for Acquisition of Easements project (M2201).	8,937,873	9,052,330	114,457
3. Acquisition of Land Required as part of the Whites Rd. (Reg. Rd. 38), north and south of Kingston Rd. (Reg. Hwy 2) Bus Rapid Transit project, in the City of Pickering (R1307). Funding was allocated at the Discretion of the Commissioner of Finance from Savings in Capital Projects closed in 2022.	4,322,500	4,409,791	87,291

Project	Approved Project Budget \$	Revised Project Budget \$	Total Increase \$
4. Contract D2022-26 for the Sunderland Municipal Well #1 Pumphouse Upgrades, in the Township of Brock (K2106). Funding was allocated from the Allowance for Engineering Studies project (M2207).	814,000	892,000	78,000

4. Additional Capital Project Expenditures Greater than \$250,000, Funded from Within the Approved Project Budget

4.1 Section 16 of the Region's Budget Management Policy requires that the Finance Department be advised of the commitment for extra work and the reallocation of financing within a capital project to cover additional expenditures, up to the limits specified in Section 16.1, based on the approved contract value. For additional expenditures exceeding \$250,000, the details of the additional expenditure shall be incorporated in a semi-annual information report submitted by the Treasurer.

4.2 Instances where capital project expenditures for extra work greater than \$250,000 that were funded from within the approved project budget for the period are described below:

Project	Vendor	Most Recent Council Reported Contract Value \$	Revised Upset Limit \$	Total Increase \$
1. Reconstruction of Simcoe St. (Reg. Rd. 2) from Conlin Rd. to Winchester Rd. (Reg. Rd. 3), in the City of Oshawa (R1822)	Esposito Bros. Construction Ltd.	8,789,278	9,965,821	1,176,543
2. Rehabilitation, Widening and Watermain Replacement on Brock St. N. from Manning Rd. (Reg. Rd. 58) to Rossland Rd. (Reg. Rd. 28), in the Town of Whitby (R1523/R1619)	Elirpa Construction & Materials Ltd.	9,019,187	9,510,292	491,105

5. Additional Expenditures Exceeding 20% or \$75,000 for Consulting Services Contracts Greater than \$100,000

5.1 Section 7.3 of the Region's Budget Management Policy requires that where the approved contract value exceeds \$100,000 the Department Head is authorized to approve additional expenditures up to 20% of the approved contract value, to a maximum increase of \$75,000. Expenditures above these limits will be approved by the Department Head and the Treasurer and be included in a semi-annual information report submitted by the Treasurer.

5.2 Instances where additional expenditures exceeding the 20% or \$75,000 threshold for consulting services contracts greater than \$100,000 that were incurred for the period are described below:

Project	Vendor	Most Recent Council Reported Contract Value \$	Revised Upset Limit \$	Total Increase \$
1. Migration Assessment for Enterprise Maintenance Management System from IBM Maximo SaaS Flex to IBM Maximo Application Suite Managed Service	IBM Canada	2,080,000	2,718,855	638,855
2. Engineering Design for the Lake Simcoe Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP) Aeration Systems Upgrade, in the Township of Brock (D1716)	CIMA Canada Inc.	1,223,156	1,673,156	450,000
3. Engineering Services for the Uxbridge Water Pollution Control Plant Upgrades and Rehabilitation Work, in the Township of Uxbridge (D1204)	R.V. Anderson Associates Ltd.	1,582,089	2,001,134	419,045

Project	Vendor	Most Recent Council Reported Contract Value \$	Revised Upset Limit \$	Total Increase \$
4. Renovations & Reconfiguration to Accommodate Regional Staff at 101 Consumers Dr., in the Town of Whitby (G1801)	Barry Bryan Associates	1,057,150	1,349,150	292,000
5. Preliminary Design for the Adelaide Ave. (Reg. Rd. 58) Extension from Townline Rd. N. (Reg. Rd. 55) to Trulls Rd., in the Municipality of Clarington (R0806)	WSP Canada Inc.	989,586	1,270,874	281,288
6. Engineering Consulting Services to Conduct a Detailed Design of Farewell St. (Reg. Rd. 56) from Harbour Rd. to south of Bloor St. E. (Reg. Rd. 22), in the City of Oshawa (R1720)	IBI Group Professional Services (Canada) Inc.	248,000	485,995	237,995
7. Engineering Fees Related to the Class Environmental Assessment, Radio Path Study and Geotechnical/Hydrogeology Work for the Liberty Street Reservoir and Pumping Station project, in the Municipality of Clarington (D1106/D1917)	R.V. Anderson Associates Ltd.	1,795,372	2,007,212	211,840

Project	Vendor	Most Recent Council Reported Contract Value \$	Revised Upset Limit \$	Total Increase \$
8. Engineering Services for the Rehabilitation of the Duffin Creek Water Pollution Control Plant – Stage 3 Liquids and Miscellaneous Remedial Work project, in the City of Pickering (Y2001)	CH2M Hill Canada Limited, a Jacobs Company (Jacobs)	3,788,524	3,973,114	184,590
9. Consulting Engineering Services for Preliminary and Detailed Design of the Zone 2 Feedermain on William Jackson Dr. and Taunton Rd. (Reg. Rd. 4) from Earl Grey Ave. to Ravenscroft Rd., in the City of Pickering and Town of Ajax (D1904)	T.Y. Lin International Canada Inc.	232,757	398,752	165,995
10. Newcastle Water Pollution Control Plant Capacity Re-rating and Upgrades to the Security Systems Standards project, in the Municipality of Clarington (D1117)	R.V. Anderson Associates Ltd.	3,141,399	3,296,324	154,925
11. Consulting Services for the Upgrades to the Garrard Rd. and Thickson Rd. (Reg. Rd. 26) Pumping Stations, in the Town of Whitby (D1915)	Black & Veatch Canada Company	2,185,300	2,287,141	101,841

Project	Vendor	Most Recent Council Reported Contract Value \$	Revised Upset Limit \$	Total Increase \$
12. Engineering Consulting Services for the Detailed Design of Kingston Rd. (Hwy. 2) from 200m west of Dixie Rd. to 200m east of Bainbridge Dr., in the City of Pickering (IC010)	AECOM Canada Ltd.	1,477,140	1,577,078	99,938
13. Extension of Management Services for the Water Supply Plant Operations Division through to the end of February 2023	R.V. Anderson Associates Limited	90,000	186,000	96,000
14. Regional Headquarters Space Optimization project, in the Town of Whitby (G1901)	Dialog Ontario Inc.	2,917,987	3,011,718	93,731
15. Intersection Rehabilitation and Improvements of Thickson Rd. (Reg. Rd. 26) at Rossland Rd. (Reg. Rd. 28), in the Town of Whitby (R1912)	GHD Limited	59,939	146,841	86,902
16. Detailed Design for Additional Sanitary Sewers on Halls Rd. and Preparation of a Geotechnical Data Report for the Dundas St. (Reg. Hwy. 2) Bus Rapid Transit project, in the Town of Whitby (D2043)	R.V. Anderson Associates Ltd.	2,905,748	2,984,373	78,625

Project	Vendor	Most Recent Council Reported Contract Value \$	Revised Upset Limit \$	Total Increase \$
17. Public Affairs Services to Assist in Growing the Region's Reputation with the Province and Community to move key programs forward	StrategyCorp Inc.	96,000	160,000	64,000
18. Environmental Impact Study and Detailed Design of Zephyr Rd. (Reg. Rd. 13) from Reg. Rd. 39 to Concession Rd. 4, in the Township of Uxbridge (R1503)	BT Engineering Inc.	298,130	359,630	61,500
19. Engineering Consulting Services for the Sunderland Municipal Well #1 Emergency UV Upgrades, in the Township of Brock (K2106)	R.V. Anderson Associates Ltd.	221,083	270,204	49,121

6. Emergency Expenditures Exceeding \$100,000

- 6.1 Section 10 of the Region's Purchasing By-law 16-2020 requires that where emergencies occur outside of normal business hours, the department head or their authorized delegate shall acquire goods or services required to address an emergency and where that purchase exceeds \$100,000, a report for information is to be submitted to Council setting out the nature of the emergency and the necessity of the action taken.
- 6.2 Instances where emergency purchases occurred are described below:

Nature of Emergency	Vendor	Amount \$
<p>1. A recent maintenance inspection of the Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation (DRLHC) Lakeview Harbourside, in the City of Oshawa, revealed that 76 of 173 units had mould on the bottom side of the roof sheathing with a heavy growth classification. A further inspection revealed that approximately 125 units have compromised fire separations due to the excessive amounts of moisture in the attics. An emergency was declared to investigate, remediate, and prevent further mould from recurring as well as complete the fire separation repairs.</p>	<p>True-Care Restoration Inc. and Pinchin Ltd.</p>	<p>1,092,000</p>
<p>2. Plant staff at the Harmony Creek Sewage Pumping Station (SPS), in the City of Oshawa, have exhausted the ability to maintain the Bar Screens, leaving a single screen available that is not reliable going forward. An emergency was declared as the loss of both screens will increase operational risks at Courtice by loading the influent works with additional debris well beyond normal.</p>	<p>Green Frog Controls</p>	<p>285,312</p>
<p>3. Renovation and set up of an Emergency Warming Centre in advance of the winter months at Harwood Ave. (Reg. Rd. 44) and Station St., in the Town of Ajax (G2216).</p>	<p>MVW Construction & Engineering Inc.</p>	<p>116,000</p>
<p>4. An emergency was declared due to a significant leak which developed in a 300 mm cast iron watermain on Simcoe St. (Reg. Rd. 2) and Lviv Blvd. The watermain was repaired using a 1.5m PVC Pipe and 2 Hymax Couplings; however, the expenditures are anticipated to be significant due to the complexity and size of the road restoration.</p>	<p>Hard-Co Construction Ltd.</p>	<p>100,000</p>

7. Request for Proposals (RFPs) \$100,000 or greater that were publicly posted on the Region's Website

7.1 Section 9.4 of the Region's Purchasing By-law 16-2020 requires that where RFPs are used for the total purchase price of \$100,000 or greater that a summary report for information relating to the award of the proposals shall be prepared and submitted to Council on a semi-annual basis.

7.2 Instances where the RFPs were issued and awarded are described below:

RFP Number and Description	Awarded Vendor	Number of Proposals Received	Contract Value \$
1. NRFP-737-2022 – Supply and Delivery of Six (6) Battery Electric Buses for Durham Region Transit, including 5-year Warranty, Additional Training Hours and Driver Foot Pedals (H2001)	Nova Bus Inc.	2	8,546,526
2. RFP-1035-2022 – Engineering Services for the Corbett Creek Water Pollution Control Plant – Digester Upgrades and Remediation Works, in the Town of Whitby (D1913/ D1823/ D1830/ D1855)	AECOM Canada Ltd.	3	2,177,197
3. RFP-1036-2022 – Consulting Engineering Services for Preliminary and Detailed Design for Upgrades to the Courtice Water Pollution Control Plant, in the Municipality of Clarington (D1920)	CIMA Canada Inc.	4	1,620,127
4. RFP-528-2022 – Annual Gas, Water and Soil Monitoring Programs for the Region's Landfill Sites and Durham York Energy Centre	RWDI Consultants	1	850,166

RFP Number and Description	Awarded Vendor	Number of Proposals Received	Contract Value \$
5. RFP-352A-2022 – Year-Round Grounds and Landscaping Maintenance Services at Hillsdale Terraces and Estates, in the City of Oshawa, Fairview Lodge, in the Town of Whitby and Lakeview Manor, in the Township of Brock	RTJ Property Services Inc.	4	699,984
6. RFP-1014-2022 – Durham Region Groundwater Monitoring Program 2022 to 2027 (M0101)	R.J. Burnside & Associates Limited	5	491,933
7. RFP-1054-2022 – Consulting Engineering Services to undertake a Class Environmental Assessment for a Sanitary Sewer Pumping Station (SSPS) for the Beaverton Employment Area, in the Township of Brock (D2041)	Ainsley & Associates Limited	4	476,076
8. RFP-1029-2022 – Engineering Consulting Services for the Detailed Design of the Burketon Canadian Pacific Railway Overpass Bridge (Site ID 057012) Replacement, in the Municipality of Clarington (R2129)	Jacobs Consultancy Canada Inc.	7	449,731
9. RFP-1073-2022 – Valve Chamber Condition Assessment Program (D1420)	Ontario Clean Water Agency	2	447,550
10. RFP-1032-2022 – Consulting Services for a Water & Wastewater Green House Gas Emission Management Strategy (D2117)	Jacobs Consultancy Canada Inc.	8	314,954

RFP Number and Description	Awarded Vendor	Number of Proposals Received	Contract Value \$
11. RFP-1082-2022 – Detailed Topographic Survey and Subsurface Utility Engineering Services for Simcoe St. (Reg. Rd. 2) and Centre St. (Reg. Rd. 2A) from Conlin Rd. to First Ave., in the City of Oshawa (IC030)	IBI Group Professional Services (Canada) Inc.	7	233,869
12. RFP-1008B-2021 – Consulting Services to Develop a Visioning Study for the Future Durham Meadoway Multi Use Path and Linear Park, in the Region of Durham	SvN Architects + Planners Inc.	4	200,000

8. Renewal of Existing Software Licenses and Support and Maintenance Agreements for the Period January 1 to December 31, 2022

8.1 Section 15.6 of the Region's Purchasing By-law #16-2020 requires that single source purchases for the renewal of existing software licenses and support and maintenance agreements be reported to Council for information on an annual basis.

8.2 Instances where the sole source purchases were issued are described below:

Description	Vendor	Amount \$
1. License, maintenance, and support renewal for PeopleSoft Enterprise	Oracle Canada ULC	1,599,659
2. Cloud Hosting Services Renewal for IBM Maximo	IBM Canada	543,230
3. Renewal of iMedic software for electronic Ambulance Call Reports (ACRs)	ER Software Canada ULC	281,939

9. Use of Delegated Authority During a Recess of Council - Municipal Election Period

9.1 Section 19.1 of the Region's Budget Management Policy authorizes the Department Head, Treasurer and C.A.O. to approve project financing during a recess of Regional Council and that a report providing details of such awards and

approvals be submitted for information.

- 9.2 Instances where delegated authority was used during a recess of Regional Council to approve project financing are described below:

Project	Approved Project Budget \$	Revised Project Budget \$	Total Increase \$
1. Acquisition of Property as part of the Wentworth St. (Reg. Rd. 60) Reconstruction from the Oshawa Creek Bridge to Farewell St. (Reg. Rd. 56), in the City of Oshawa (R1823). Funding was reallocated from the Liberty St. N. (Reg. Rd. 14) from Longworth Ave. to Concession Rd. 3 project, in the Municipality of Clarington (R1717).	1,050,000	4,000,000	2,950,000
2. Contract D2022-32 for the Construction of Cochrane St. (Reg. Rd. 43) over the Canadian Pacific Bridge Replacement, in the Town of Whitby (R1420). Funding was allocated from the Simcoe St. (Reg. Rd. 2) and Oshawa Creek Bridge project, in the City of Oshawa (R1624) and Additional Canadian Pacific Railway Cost Share Contribution Agreement.	9,300,000	11,500,000	2,200,000

Project	Approved Project Budget \$	Revised Project Budget \$	Total Increase \$
3. Contract D2022-33 for the Replacement of the Central Duffin Collector Siphon on Valley Farm Rd., 670m north of Finch Ave. (Reg. Rd. 37), in the City of Pickering (D1501). Funding was allocated from the Works to Rectify Identified System Deficiencies Independent of Road Program in Various Locations project (M2299), the Allowance for Unknown Requirements in Conjunction with Area Municipality Road Program in Various Locations project (M2203), the Replacement of Sanitary Sewer on Krosno Blvd. from Modlin Rd. to Alyssum St., in the City of Pickering project (P2002), the Allowance for Unknown Requirements project (M2209) and the Allowance for Land Severance review and Drawing Requirements project (M2262).	1,800,000	2,808,780	1,008,780

9.3 Section 19.2 of the Region's Budget Management Policy provides that the Department Head, Treasurer and C.A.O. shall be authorized to approve the acquisition of unbudgeted capital over \$50,000 during a recess of Regional Council and that a report providing details of such awards and approvals shall be submitted for information.

9.4 Instances where delegated authority was used during a recess of Regional Council to approve acquisitions of unbudgeted capital are described below:

Project	Amount \$
1. Metrolinx contract for the Bowmanville GO Rail Expansion project to modify four regional bridges within the project limits, in the City of Oshawa (R2233, R2234, R2235, R2236). Funding was reallocated from 2022 Closed Bridge Rehab Reserve projects surplus.	705,000

Project	Amount \$
2. Unbudgeted capital expenditure for the Digester Piping Modifications at the Port Darlington Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP), in the Municipality of Clarington (D2241). Funding was allocated from the Port Darlington WPCP - Major Maintenance Replacement Works project, in the Municipality of Clarington (D2120).	250,000
3. Additional costs due to tire upgrades, increased engine costs and Ontario Resource Recovery Charges for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Fund project for the purchase of 10 Conventional Hybrid Durham Regional Transit buses (IC040).	105,000

9.5 Section 19.3 of the Region's Budget Management Policy states that, to facilitate the awarding and approval of sole source negotiations over \$100,000 during a recess of Regional Council, the Treasurer shall be authorized to act on behalf of Regional Council, subject to the agreement of the applicable Department Head and C.A.O. and the availability of sufficient funding. The Treasurer shall be authorized to execute any resultant Agreements for the goods and services required.

9.6 Instances where delegated authority was used during a recess of Regional Council to facilitate the awarding and approval of sole source negotiations over \$100,000 are described below:

Description	Estimated Cost \$
1. Metrolinx contract for the Bowmanville GO Rail Expansion project to modify four Regional bridges within the project limits, in the City of Oshawa (R2233, R2234, R2235, R2236). Funding has been allocated from the surplus funding in Bridge Rehabilitation Reserve Projects closed in 2022.	705,000

9.7 Section 19.4 of the Region's Budget Management Policy authorizes the Commissioner of Finance to act on behalf of Regional Council to approve leases considered material, subject to the agreement of the applicable Department Head and C.A.O. and the availability of sufficient funding, and the Treasurer shall be authorized to execute any resultant Agreement for the goods and services required.

- 9.8 Instances where delegated authority was used during a recess of Regional Council to facilitate the approval of leases are described below:

Description	Estimated Cost \$
<p>1. Amendment for the existing lease of 1500 Hopkins St., in the Town of Whitby which serves as a temporary workspace for departments impacted by the Workplace Modernization Project (WMP) to include additional maintenance costs of the replacement passenger elevator, and to ensure the facility is accessible. The Region is also exercising the lease renewal option for a 5-year term from June 1, 2025 to May 31, 2030, to accommodate the Corporate Training Centre and Service Durham. The rent for the renewal period will be negotiated with the Landlord at least 90 days before the commencement of the renewal term. Financing will be provided from the Works Department, Corporate Training and Service Durham's annual operating budgets.</p>	<p>Amendment for additional maintenance costs – 19,490 5-year renewal estimate based on current rental rate – 897,160</p>
<p>2. 5-year term for the lease of Unit 301 at 3000 Garden St., in the Town of Whitby to secure office space for Durham OneNet Inc., a wholly owned Municipal Services Corporation established to design, build, and operate the Regional Broadband Network. Financing will be provided from Durham OneNet Inc.'s annual operating budget.</p>	<p>580,125</p>
<p>3. 5-year extension for Paramedic Services to lease 1775 Reach St., in the Township of Scugog pending the construction of a permanent facility. Financing will be provided from the Paramedic Services annual operating budget.</p>	<p>536,200</p>

Description	Estimated Cost \$
4. 3-year term for the lease of a vacant lot owned by the Hamilton Oshawa Port Authority (HOPA), located at 1621 Simcoe St. S., in the City of Oshawa, to house the Durham Regional Police Service's (DRPS) impound yard operation which has been displaced due to a fire at 19 Courtice Court, in the Municipality of Clarington. Financing will be provided from the DRPS annual operating budget.	151,320
5. 5-year extension of the Partnership Agreement with Durham District School Board for space at 610 Taylor Ave., in the City of Oshawa for the Social Services, Children's Services Division. Financing will be provided from the Social Services annual operating budget.	140,046

9.9 Section 19.5 of the Region's Budget Management Policy authorizes the Commissioner of Works to approve the acquisition of real property interest in accordance with the applicable Regional Property Acquisition By-Law, subject to the approval of the appropriate funding by the Treasurer.

9.10 There was no use of delegated authority under section 19.5 for the period of September 1 to December 31, 2022.

10. Use of Authority Delegated under By-law 17-2020 for the COVID-19 Pandemic

10.1 Regional Council delegated certain authority to staff to ensure business continuity during the COVID-19 Pandemic State of Emergency under By-law 17-2020, with periodic reporting to Council on the use of the delegated authority. The by-law remains in effect until expressly repealed by a subsequent by-law.

10.2 There was no use of the authority delegated under this by-law for the period of September 1 to December 31, 2022.

11. Relationship to Strategic Plan

11.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:

a. Service Excellence:

- Goal 5.1 – Optimize resources and partnerships to deliver exceptional quality services and value
- Goal 5.3 – Demonstrate commitment to continuous quality improvement and communicating results

12. Conclusion

12.1 In accordance with the Regional Budget Management Policy and Purchasing By-law 16-2020, Regional Council is to be informed on a semi-annual basis when the threshold amounts for various expenditure limits have been exceeded, where funding is required based on a reallocation of the capital program, as well as where RFPs are used for the total purchase price of \$100,000 or greater.

12.2 Regional Council is also to be advised of delegated authority exercised during a recess of Council as required by Section 19 of the Budget Management Policy as well as delegated authority related to the COVID-19 Pandemic under the By-law 17-2020.

12.3 This report has been reviewed by the Works Department.

Respectfully submitted,

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

From: Commissioner of Finance
Report: [#2023-INFO-50](#)
Date: June 2, 2023

Subject:

July 1, 2023 Indexing of Regional Development Charges

Recommendation:

Receive for information.

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise of the annual indexing rate for Regional Development Charges (DC) and to provide the updated Regional DC rates that will take effect on July 1, 2023.

2. Background

2.1 Annual indexing for the known inflationary price increases related to capital projects ensures that the Region continues to recover growth related costs through its development charges at prevailing cost levels required to fund capital investments in water, sewer, roads, and other services.

2.2 Regional DC By-laws #39-2022 (Regional Transit DC By-law) and #38-2019 (Seaton Area Specific DC By-law) contain a provision that the prevailing Regional DC's be adjusted annually, without amendment to those by-laws, as of the 1st day of July in accordance with Statistics Canada's Building Construction Price Index (Table 18-10-0276-01)¹ for the most recent year-over-year period ending March 31st. The Building Construction Price Index for non-residential buildings in the Toronto Census Metropolitan Area (CMA) is used in accordance with Provincial regulation applicable to the Region of Durham.

2.3 Regional By-law #86-2001 (GO Transit DC By-law) as amended has a similar provision to the by-laws above and the Building Construction Price Index for the

¹ O. Reg. 82/98 references "The Statistics Canada Quarterly, Construction Price Statistics, catalogue number 62-007" as the index source. Since implementation, Statistics Canada has modified this index and the above-noted index is the most current.

Toronto CMA is used in accordance with Provincial regulation. However the annual adjustment for GO Transit DC rates is limited to a maximum of 3 per cent, as per section 18 of the by-law.

- 2.4 Regional DC By-law #28-2018 (Region-wide DC By-law) also includes provisions for annual indexing. However, annual indexing will not be applied to this by-law as the by-law is currently being updated and is scheduled to be replaced as of July 1, 2023. The new Regional DC By-law will be considered by Regional Council for approval on June 14, 2023 and includes updated rates that are already expressed in 2023 dollars.
- 2.5 The annual indexing on July 1, 2023, will be applied to the following DC by-laws:
 - a. Regional Transit DC By-law #39-2022;
 - b. Seaton Water Supply and Sanitary Sewerage Area Specific DC By-law #38-2019; and
 - c. GO Transit DC By-law #86-2001.

3. Previous Reports and Decisions

- 3.1 The following reports approved the DC By-laws that require the indexing of DC's:
 - a. Report #2022-F-15 (For By-law #39-2022);
 - b. Report #2019-F-23 (For By-law #38-2019); and
 - c. Report #2001-J-25(For By-law #86-2001).
- 3.2 The proposed rates for Regional residential and non-residential DC's as shown in Attachment #1 and #2, inclusive of the mandatory 80 per cent phase in for water, sewer, roads, police, paramedic, long-term care and waste diversion services, reflect the new recommended rates in the 2023 Durham Regional DC Background Study and proposed By-law, which was made available to the public on March 28, 2023 and was presented at a public meeting held on April 12, 2023. The public meeting included the corresponding report #2023-F-10.

4. July 1, 2023 Indexing of Regional Development Charges

- 4.1 Indexing of charges within the applicable by-laws is required on July 1, 2023 in accordance with the most recently available Statistics Canada Building Construction Price Index (BCPI), for non-residential buildings in the Toronto CMA, for the 12-month period ending March 31.
- 4.2 The BCPI for non-residential buildings in the Toronto CMA, for the period March 31, 2022 to March 31, 2023, was released on May 8, 2023, with an inflationary increase of 12.3 per cent.
- 4.3 The increase in the index is reflective of the current inflationary environment. Skilled labour and materials shortages, and increased cost of materials were reported by contractors as key inflationary issues across the construction sector. Concrete prices were also a major contributor to the rise in costs as concrete is

an important component in non-residential construction.²

5. July 1, 2023 Mandatory Phase In of Regional Development Charges

- 5.1 Recent changes to the *Development Charges Act*, resulting from the *More Homes Built Faster Act* (Bill 23), require any new DC by-law (passed on or after January 1, 2022) to phase in the newly calculated rates over a five-year period. The phase in provisions allow for a maximum of 80 per cent of the calculated rates to be imposed in the first year of a new DC by-law. The maximum rate increases by 5 per cent annually until reaching the full 100 per cent of the calculated rate in year five of the new DC by-law. This phase in provision applies to both residential and non-residential rates and will coincide with indexing on July 1.
- 5.2 The following table summarizes the phase in schedule over the next four years.

By-law	July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024	July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025	July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026	July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027
Region-wide ⁽¹⁾	80%	85%	90%	95%
Regional Transit ⁽²⁾	85%	90%	95%	100%
GO Transit ⁽³⁾	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Seaton ASDC	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Notes:
 (1) Proposed Regional DC By-law that will be considered at the June 14 Special Regional Council meeting
 (2) Refers to Regional Transit By-law #39-2022
 (3) Refers to GO Transit By-law #86-2001
 (4) Refers to Seaton Area Specific DC By-law #38-2019

- 5.3 The newly proposed Region-wide DC By-law will be subject to an 80 per cent phase in of the calculated rate starting on July 1, 2023. The Regional Transit DC By-law (#39-2022) was subject to the retroactive phase in because the by-law was passed after January 1, 2022. As a result, the current Regional Transit DC rate represents 80 per cent of the full rate calculated under By-law #39-2022. On July 1, 2023, the Regional Transit DC will enter its second year of the phase in period and be subject to a limit of 85 per cent of the full calculated rate (with indexing). The GO Transit DC By-law (#86-2001) and Seaton Water Supply and Sanitary Sewerage Services Area Specific Development Charge By-law (#38-2019) are not subject to the mandatory phase in because the by-laws were passed prior to January 1, 2022.

6. Implications of 2023 Indexing on DC Rates

Region-wide Residential and Non-residential Development Charges

- 6.1 Attachment #1 provides the current residential Region-wide DC rates, along with

² Statistics Canada. (2023). *The Daily: Building construction price indexes, first quarter 2023*.
<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/daily-quotidien/230508/dq230508b-eng.htm>

the recommended residential Regional DC's that will be considered at the June 14 Special Regional Council meeting (including phase in). The recommended rates include the application of the maximum three per cent indexing to GO Transit DC rates, and 12.3 per cent indexing to Regional Transit DC rates (with phase in). The indexing and proposed residential DC rates, after phase in adjustments, will increase the total DC for a single / semi detached dwelling unit by \$25,620.

- 6.2 Attachment #2 provides the same rate comparison for non-residential DC's. The recommended rates include the non-residential Regional DC's that will be considered at the June 14 Special Regional Council meeting (including phase in), and the Regional Transit DC, which is subject to the same phase in and indexing increase as the residential Regional Transit DC. The indexing and proposed non-residential DC rates, after phase in adjustments, will increase the total DC for a commercial development by \$9.89 per sq. ft., for industrial developments by \$3.46 per sq. ft., and for institutional developments by \$5.54 per sq. ft.

Seaton Area Specific Development Charges

- 6.3 Attachments #3 and #4 provide both the current Seaton Water Supply and Sanitary Sewerage Residential and Non-residential Area Specific Development Charges and the new rates reflecting the 12.3 per cent indexing.
- 6.4 Attachment #5 provides the current Seaton Front Ending Agreement for Early Payment of Attribution Development Charges and the new rates reflecting the 12.3 per cent indexing.

7. Transitional Period

- 7.1 It is Regional practice to provide a transitional period for the application of the indexed Regional DC rates to provide time for the local area municipal offices to process any complete applications. The transitional period typically allows area municipal staff, who have applications with all completed documentation, an additional six weeks to issue the building permit under the current rates. This process avoids municipal staff having to rush through applications by the July 1 deadline. If the building permit has not been issued within the six-week window, or if any changes were made to any building permit application documents, the transition opportunity will be void and the new indexed rates would apply. It should be noted that the six-week period is being reviewed and any changes to the transition period will be included in the Final Recommendations Report regarding the new DC By-law on June 14, 2023.

8. Relationship to Strategic Plan

- 8.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:
- a. Enhanced funding for paramedic services, long-term care services and affordable housing, supporting Goal 4 (Social Investment).

9. Conclusion

- 9.1 The Regional Transit and Seaton Area Specific DC's are being indexed by 12.3 per cent, and the GO Transit DC is being indexed by three per cent, on July 1, 2023, in accordance with the Regional DC By-laws, to reflect the increase in construction costs to provide municipal services.

10. Attachments

- Attachment #1: Residential Development Charges – Effective July 1, 2022 and July 1, 2023
- Attachment #2: Non-residential Development Charges – Effective July 1, 2022 and July 1, 2023
- Attachment #3: Seaton Residential Water and Sewer Area Specific Development Charges - Effective July 1, 2022 and July 1, 2023
- Attachment #4: Seaton Non-residential Water and Sewer Area Specific Development Charges - Effective July 1, 2022 and July 1, 2023
- Attachment #5: Seaton Front Ending Agreement for Early Payment of Attribution Development Charges – Effective July 1, 2022 and July 1, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

Original Signed By

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Commissioner of Finance

REGION OF DURHAM

RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGES				
as of July 1, 2022				
PER DWELLING UNIT				
SERVICE CATEGORY	Single / Semi Detached \$	Medium Density Multiples \$	Two Bedroom Apartment and Larger \$	One Bedroom Apartment and Smaller \$
Regional Roads	12,119	9,738	7,039	4,589
GO Transit	814	720	511	304
Regional Transit	1,747	1,376	977	600
Regional Police Services	936	753	545	354
Long Term Care	312	251	181	117
Paramedic Services	246	197	143	93
Waste Diversion ⁽³⁾	-	-	-	-
Water Supply	12,342	9,917	7,171	4,672
Sanitary Sewerage	12,013	9,651	6,979	4,549
Total (All Services)	<u>\$ 40,529</u>	<u>\$ 32,603</u>	<u>\$ 23,546</u>	<u>\$ 15,278</u>

RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGES				
effective July 1, 2023 with proposed Residential DC Rates including phase in				
PER DWELLING UNIT				
SERVICE CATEGORY	Single / Semi Detached \$	Medium Density Multiples \$	Two Bedroom Apartment and Larger \$	One Bedroom Apartment and Smaller \$
Regional Roads	21,598	17,201	12,574	7,723
GO Transit ⁽¹⁾	838	742	526	313
Regional Transit ⁽²⁾	2,085	1,642	1,166	716
Regional Police Services	782	622	455	279
Long Term Care	438	349	255	157
Paramedic Services	353	281	206	126
Waste Diversion ⁽³⁾	75	60	44	27
Water Supply	20,894	16,640	12,165	7,473
Sanitary Sewerage	19,086	15,200	11,112	6,825
Total (All Services)	<u>\$ 66,149</u>	<u>\$ 52,737</u>	<u>\$ 38,503</u>	<u>\$ 23,639</u>

Dollar Increase	\$ 25,620	\$ 20,134	\$ 14,957	\$ 8,361
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Notes

1. GO Transit Indexing capped at 3.0 per cent.
2. Regional Transit is indexed at 12.3 per cent.

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COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGES		
Including proposed new Non-residential DC rates and Phase In		
Per Square Foot of Gross Floor Area		
SERVICE CATEGORY ⁽¹⁾	Effective July 1, 2022	Effective July 1, 2023
	\$	\$
Regional Roads	11.16	17.53
Water Supply	4.59	6.01
Sanitary Sewerage	7.71	9.65
Regional Transit ⁽²⁾	0.79	0.95
Total (All Services)	\$ 24.25	\$ 34.14

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGES		
Including proposed new Non-residential DC rates and Phase In		
Per Square Foot of Gross Floor Area		
SERVICE CATEGORY ⁽¹⁾	Effective July 1, 2022	Effective July 1, 2023
	\$	\$
Regional Roads	4.24	6.07
Water Supply	3.66	3.89
Sanitary Sewerage	4.41	5.65
Regional Transit ⁽²⁾	0.79	0.95
Total (All Services)	\$ 13.10	\$ 16.56

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGES		
Including proposed new Non-residential DC rates and Phase In		
Per Square Foot of Gross Floor Area		
SERVICE CATEGORY ⁽¹⁾	Effective July 1, 2022	Effective July 1, 2023
	\$	\$
Regional Roads	9.40	13.29
Water Supply	1.11	1.62
Sanitary Sewerage	1.36	2.34
Regional Transit ⁽²⁾	0.79	0.95
Total (All Services)	\$ 12.66	\$ 18.20

Notes:

1. Regional Roads, Water Supply and Sanitary Sewerage are subject to an 80 per cent phase in
2. Regional Transit is indexed at 12.3 per cent and subject to an 85 per cent phase in

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SEATON RESIDENTIAL AREA SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT CHARGES			
Effective July 1, 2022			
Service Category	Single / Semi Detached \$	Medium Density Multiples \$	Apartments \$
Sanitary Sewerage			
Seaton Landowners Constructed DCs	7,140	5,641	3,286
Regional Seaton-Specific DCs	2,992	2,365	1,376
Regional Attributions DCs	2,981	2,354	1,371
Subtotal - Sanitary Sewerage	13,113	10,360	6,033
Water Supply			
Seaton Landowners Constructed DCs	2,963	2,341	1,363
Regional Seaton-Specific DCs	7,115	5,622	3,273
Regional Attributions DCs	5,058	3,995	2,326
Subtotal - Water Supply	15,136	11,958	6,962
Total Development Charges	\$ 28,249	\$ 22,318	\$ 12,995

SEATON RESIDENTIAL AREA SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT CHARGES			
Effective July 1, 2023 (1)			
Service Category	Single / Semi Detached \$	Medium Density Multiples \$	Apartments \$
Sanitary Sewerage			
Seaton Landowners Constructed DCs	8,018	6,335	3,690
Regional Seaton-Specific DCs	3,360	2,656	1,545
Regional Attributions DCs	3,348	2,644	1,540
Subtotal - Sanitary Sewerage	14,726	11,635	6,775
Water Supply			
Seaton Landowners Constructed DCs	3,327	2,629	1,531
Regional Seaton-Specific DCs	7,990	6,314	3,676
Regional Attributions DCs	5,680	4,486	2,612
Subtotal - Water Supply	16,997	13,429	7,819
Total Development Charges	\$ 31,723	\$ 25,064	\$ 14,594

Note:

(1) With 12.3% indexing

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SEATON NON-RESIDENTIAL AREA SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

Institutional Development Charges		
\$ Per Square Foot of Gross Floor Area		
Service Category	Effective July 1, 2022 \$	Effective July 1, 2023⁽¹⁾ \$
Sanitary Sewerage		
Seaton Landowners Constructed DCs	0.73	0.82
Regional Seaton-Specific DCs	0.29	0.33
Regional Attributions DCs	0.68	0.76
Subtotal - Sanitary Sewerage	1.70	1.91
Water Supply		
Seaton Landowners Constructed DCs	0.09	0.10
Regional Seaton-Specific DCs	0.25	0.28
Regional Attributions DCs	0.54	0.61
Subtotal - Water Supply	0.88	0.99
Total Development Charges	\$ 2.58	\$ 2.90

Non-Institutional Development Charges		
\$ Per Square Foot of Gross Floor Area		
Service Category	Effective July 1, 2022 \$	Effective July 1, 2023⁽¹⁾ \$
Sanitary Sewerage		
Seaton Landowners Constructed DCs	2.06	2.31
Regional Seaton-Specific DCs	0.87	0.98
Regional Attributions DCs	1.99	2.23
Subtotal - Sanitary Sewerage	4.92	5.52
Water Supply		
Seaton Landowners Constructed DCs	0.29	0.33
Regional Seaton-Specific DCs	0.69	0.77
Regional Attributions DCs	1.57	1.76
Subtotal - Water Supply	2.55	2.86
Total Development Charges	\$ 7.47	\$ 8.38

Prestige Employment Land Area Development Charges		
\$ Per Net Hectare		
Service Category	Effective July 1, 2022 \$	Effective July 1, 2023⁽¹⁾ \$
Sanitary Sewerage		
Seaton Landowners Constructed DCs	100,437	112,791
Regional Seaton-Specific DCs	42,134	47,316
Regional Attributions DCs	95,364	107,094
Subtotal - Sanitary Sewerage	237,935	267,201
Water Supply		
Seaton Landowners Constructed DCs	14,675	16,480
Regional Seaton-Specific DCs	33,997	38,179
Regional Attributions DCs	75,362	84,632
Subtotal - Water Supply	124,034	139,291
Total Development Charges	\$ 361,969	\$ 406,492

Note:

(1) With 12.3% indexing

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SEATON FRONT ENDING AGREEMENT**

Early Payment of Attribution DC		
Development Category	Effective July 1, 2022 \$	Effective July 1, 2023⁽¹⁾ \$
Non-Institutional (\$ per sq. ft.)	2.55	2.86
Institutional (\$ per sq. ft.)	0.53	0.60
Prestige Employment Lands (\$ per net ha.)	<u>225,292</u>	<u>253,003</u>

(1) With 12.3% indexing

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: [#2023-INFO-51](#)
Date: June 2, 2023

Subject:

Monitoring of Growth Trends, File: D01-02-01

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report is the first of two biannual reports monitoring growth trends in Durham. It presents historical population and household data for the Region and area municipalities for the 2018 to 2022 period.
- 1.2 The data is provided for the end of May to correspond with the timing of a Census and for December. Information presented in this report is intended for use in various Regional background studies and programs as well as other agency initiatives.
- 1.3 The methodology that was developed for estimating population and households in Durham had not changed significantly for over a decade, while the housing market and regional demographics have changed significantly. Importantly, the data that is available has also changed. This year, modifications to the process for estimating population and households include incorporating Statistics Canada Annual Demographic Estimates, having consideration for demolitions, vacant homes, short-term rentals and dwellings occupied by non-permanent residents such as international students and temporary foreign workers.

2. Previous Reports and Decisions

2.1 Monitoring of Growth Trends ([2022-INFO-97](#))

2.2 Monitoring of Growth Trends ([2022-INFO-53](#))

3. Historical population and household estimates (2018-2022)

3.1 The population and household estimates presented in Attachment 1 are based on:

- Statistics Canada Census information for 2016 and 2021 including an estimate for net undercoverage¹;
- Statistics Canada Annual Demographic Estimates;
- Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) monthly housing completion data for non-Census years; and
- Building permits issued for residential demolitions.

3.2 For this year, the methodology for estimating both population and households has been updated to account for challenges² that were identified following the release of the 2021 Census of Population.

3.3 Base-year household estimates are founded on information from the Statistics Canada Census. Household estimates for 2016 and 2021 are based on the Statistics Canada Census counts for “Private dwellings occupied by usual residents”.

3.4 For interim years, CMHC housing completions are used to approximate the number of new households added each year; however, the completions are no longer the basis for estimating population growth where July 1st population estimates are available from Statistics Canada³.

1. Net undercoverage refers to the net population counts that are missed during the Census enumeration due to persons with no usual residence, incorrect questionnaires, missed dwellings, away from home, etc.

2. Estimates based on housing completions were lower than private dwellings occupied by usual residents reported by the Census, which may have been influenced by an increase in residential demolitions, vacant homes, short-term rentals and dwellings occupied by non-permanent residents such as international students and temporary foreign workers between Census enumeration years.

3. For years where population estimates are not published on the Data Tracker, household growth is still used to approximate the increase in population. At the time this report was prepared, population estimates for July 1st, 2022, were not available through the Data Tracker.

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- 3.5 The Statistics Canada Annual Demographic Estimates are calculated from federal records for births, deaths, immigration and emigration. The Health Department receives data from the Ministry of Health and Long-term Care that based on the same Statistics Canada reporting, to inform their demographic analysis.
 - 3.6 Population estimates for this report are based on Statistics Canada Annual Demographic Estimates, that are published on the Durham Region Population [Data Tracker](#)⁴.
 - 3.7 Previous reports had overestimated the number of new households created between 2016 and 2021. This was the result of a small proportion of completions that were not occupied, and some instances where the new residential unit replaced an older home that was demolished. Census reporting indicated that the number of households was 1,335 lower than previously estimated in report [2021-INFO-132](#).
 - 3.8 To account for this refinement, household estimates now calibrated to consider demolitions and apply a conservative vacancy rate (0.5%) for new residential units. Accordingly, December 2021 and May 2022 household and population estimates are lower than previously reported (0.1% and 0.2% respectively).
 - 3.9 The semi-annual population estimates presented in Attachment 1, indicate that the Region's annual population growth increased by 10,890 persons in 2022, which is lower than the five-year average (12,690). The growth rate last year was 1.49%. Comparatively, the average annual population growth for the five-year period from 2018 to 2022 was 1.96%.
 - 3.10 The semi-annual household estimates presented in Attachment 1, indicate that the Region's annual household growth increased by 3,660 households from 2021 to 2022, representing a growth rate of 1.49%. Comparatively, the annual household growth for the five-year period from 2018 to 2022 was 1.38%.

4. Durham Regional Health Department receives population estimates from the province, that are based on Statistics Canada's annual population estimate for July 1st. This information is used to interpolate the population for May 31st and December 31st.

4. Relationship to Strategic Plan

- 4.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:
- a. Priority 5.1 (Service Excellence) – Optimize resources and partnerships to deliver exceptional quality services and value; and
 - b. Priority 5.3 (Service Excellence) – Demonstrate commitment to continuous quality improvement and communicating results.

5. Conclusion

- 5.1 Council will continue to be kept apprised of emerging population and household data and trends through regular updates of this information.
- 5.2 A copy of this report will be forwarded to the Area Municipalities, the Durham Regional Police Services, the Local Health Integration Network and the School Boards in Durham.

6. Attachments

Attachment #1: Semi-annual Population Estimates, 2018-2022 and Semi-annual Household Estimates, 2018-2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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Commissioner of Planning and
Economic Development

Table 1
Semi-annual Population Estimates, 2018-2022 (May and December)

Year	Ajax	Brock	Clarington	Oshawa	Pickering	Scugog	Uxbridge	Whitby	Durham
2018 (May)	126,840	12,355	97,610	169,685	97,265	23,010	22,310	135,640	684,715
2018 (Dec)	127,490	12,525	98,820	172,255	98,370	23,010	22,355	136,310	691,130
2019 (May)	129,670	12,640	100,215	175,040	98,590	22,080	22,245	136,905	697,385
2019 (Dec)	130,235	12,720	101,650	176,505	99,595	22,115	22,290	138,120	703,230
2020 (May)	132,305	12,910	102,000	179,135	101,310	22,140	22,205	140,755	712,760
2020 (Dec)	132,705	13,390	102,865	179,530	103,755	22,175	22,275	142,630	719,325
2021 (May)	134,225	13,700	104,080	181,080	103,240	22,565	22,350	144,790	726,030
2021 (Dec)	134,630	13,725	105,525	182,210	103,985	22,550	22,360	147,220	732,210
2022 (May)	134,990	13,735	106,195	182,935	104,635	22,535	22,435	149,250	736,705
2022 (Dec)	135,615	13,755	107,220	185,275	105,185	22,520	22,510	151,010	743,095

Note: All figures rounded

Source: Statistics Canada Census, Annual Demographic, CMHC monthly housing completions data and building permit records.

Table 2
Semi-annual Household Estimates, 2018-2022 (May and December)

Year	Ajax	Brock	Clarington	Oshawa	Pickering	Scugog	Uxbridge	Whitby	Durham
2018 (May)	38,450	4,575	34,145	64,405	31,545	8,235	7,895	44,315	233,570
2018 (Dec)	38,650	4,610	34,530	65,380	31,895	8,235	7,915	44,505	235,720
2019 (May)	38,740	4,625	34,725	65,765	32,065	8,245	7,925	44,610	236,710
2019 (Dec)	38,910	4,640	35,180	66,330	32,380	8,255	7,945	44,975	238,620
2020 (May)	39,325	4,685	35,460	66,405	32,510	8,260	7,960	45,550	240,160
2020 (Dec)	39,450	4,785	35,730	66,595	33,215	8,275	7,990	46,110	242,140
2021 (May)	39,490	4,790	35,955	66,635	33,425	8,290	8,010	46,460	243,050
2021 (Dec)	39,610	4,795	36,455	67,050	33,665	8,285	8,010	47,240	245,110
2022 (May)	39,715	4,800	36,685	67,315	33,875	8,280	8,035	47,890	246,600
2022 (Dec)	39,895	4,805	37,040	68,175	34,055	8,275	8,065	48,455	248,770

Note: All figures rounded

Source: Statistics Canada Census, Annual Demographic, CMHC monthly housing completions data and building permit records.

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: [#2023-INFO-52](#)
Date: June 2, 2023

Subject:

Quarterly Report - Commissioner's Delegated Planning Approval Authority, and Summary of Planning Activity in the First Quarter of 2023

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. This report summarizes actions taken under this delegated authority between January 1 and March 31, 2023 (Q1).

2. Previous Reports and Decisions

2.1 Reports on planning activity and how the delegated planning approval authority is used by the Commissioner is presented at the end of every quarter.

3. Commissioner's Approval of Area Municipal Plan Amendments

3.1 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, consistency with the Provincial Policy Statement and conformity with the Regional Official Plan. 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 approval would rest with the area municipality.

3.2 In the first quarter of 2023, the Planning Division received six area municipal official plan amendment applications. All applications are exempt from Regional approval, as follows:

- In the City of Oshawa, application **12-03-1458** proposes a City-initiated official plan amendment to introduce a new parking policy to the Transportation Section of the City Oshawa Official Plan. The proposed policy stems from a Parking Study that analyzed Oshawa's City-wide parking opportunities and needs, with a focus on Intensification Areas along Regional and Local Corridors, the Downtown Urban Growth Centre and Transportation Hubs.
- In the City of Oshawa, application **12-03-3525** proposes a City-initiated official plan amendment to introduce new policies that would strengthen the City's pre-submission review requirements for planning applications. The purpose of the amendment is to revise the policies in the Official Plan to address the recent application refund and decision timing requirements introduced in the Planning Act through Bill 109.
- In the Municipality of Clarington, application **COPA 2023-004** proposes a City-initiated official plan amendment to add policies to the Clarington Official Plan to enact changes that have been made to the Planning Act resulting from Bill 13, Supporting People and Business Act, 2021, delegating the authority to pass by-laws deemed minor in nature to the Director of Planning and Infrastructure.
- In the City of Pickering, application **OPA 22-004/P** proposes a site-specific amendment to re-designate the subject site from "Urban Residential – Low Density" to "Residential Area – Medium Density Areas" to allow the development of 33 stacked townhouses and 8 standard townhouses. Staff are reviewing this application in conjunction with the related rezoning application A 11/22.

- In the City of Pickering, application **OPA 23-001** proposes a site-specific official plan amendment to re-designate the subject site from “Low Density Residential” to “Medium Density Residential” to allow common element condominium development consisting of 51 stacked townhouses. Staff are reviewing this application in conjunction with subdivision application S-P-2023-01, condominium application C-P-2023-02 and re-zoning application A 02/23.
- In the Township of Uxbridge, application **OPA 70** proposes a site-specific official plan amendment to permit the expansion of a major recreational use in order to permit a hotel use with a maximum building height of five storeys at Wooden Sticks Golf Course. Staff are reviewing the application in conjunction with Regional Official Plan Amendment application ROPA 2022-006 and Zoning By-law Amendment application ZBA-2022- 06.

4. Commissioner’s Review and Approval of Subdivision and Condominium Applications

- 4.1 The Region is the approval authority for proposed plans of subdivision and condominium in the three northern Townships. In the first quarter of 2023, the Planning Division did not receive any subdivision or condominium applications.

5. Commissioner’s Approval of Part-Lot Control Exemption By-laws

- 5.1 The Commissioner is the approval authority for part-lot control exemption by-laws in the three northern Townships. In the first quarter of 2023, the Planning Division did not receive any Part Lot Control applications.

6. Region’s Review of Planning Applications

- 6.1 Regional staff review planning applications circulated 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 responds 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; and
- Select minor variance applications.

6.2 Planning Division staff also provide coordinated comments to the Regional Land Division Committee on consent applications.

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

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

7.1 Regional Council is the approval authority for applications to amend the Regional Official Plan.

7.2 As March 31, 2023, there were 14 ROPA applications under consideration (refer to Attachment 2 which includes a chart and maps). In the first quarter of 2023, three new ROPA applications were received.

8. Appeals to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT)

8.1 In the first quarter of 2023, no appeals related to Land Division applications were received. There are currently no outstanding Land Division Committee appeals before the OLT.

8.2 Three non-exempt area municipal official plan amendment applications are currently before the OLT (Refer to Attachment 3A).

9. Reserved Street Names

9.1 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. (Refer to Attachment 4).

10. Regional Woodland By-law Permit Applications

10.1 The Planning Division coordinates Good Forestry Practice permits and Clear-Cutting Permits in woodlands across the Region that are one hectare in size and greater. Good Forestry Applications are reviewed in consultation with the Region's Tree By-law Officer, the applicable area municipality and the applicable conservation authority. The Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development also approves minor clear-cutting permits, and Council is the approval authority for

major clear-cutting permits (1 hectare or more in size). During the first quarter of 2023, two new Good Forestry Practice permit applications were received.

11. Relationship to Strategic Plan

11.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:

- a. Service Excellence – To provide exceptional value to Durham taxpayers through responsive, effective, and fiscally sustainable service delivery.

12. 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 Ontario Land Tribunal

Attachment #3A: Non-Exempt Area Municipal Planning Applications before the Ontario Land Tribunal

Attachment #4: Summary of Reserved Street Names

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**Regional Review of Planning Applications –
Summary January 1 to March 31, 2023**

Area Municipal Official Plan Amendments

Received	6
Commented	6

Delegated Subdivisions & Condominiums (Lakeshore Area Municipalities)

Received	9
Provided Comments & Conditions of Draft Approval	5
Cleared Conditions of Draft Approval	0

Non-Delegated Subdivisions & Condominiums (Northern Municipalities)

Received	0
Provided Draft Approval	0
Issued Final Approval	0

Non-Delegated Part Lot Control

Received	0
Commented	0
Approved	0

Zoning By-laws Amendments

Received	18
Commented	8

Consents

Received	20
Commented	20

Good Forestry Practice and Clear-Cutting Applications

Received	2
Issued	2

**Regional Official Plan Amendment applications currently being processed, or
before the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) (as of March 31, 2023)**

OPA file	Council/ standing committee corr.	Applicant/ Location	Proposed amendment
2000-003	2000-273	Town of Ajax (South of Bayly St., East of Church St.)	<p>To delete a Type C Arterial Road (Deferral #3 to the Town of Ajax Official Plan).</p> <p>Status: ROPA #171 maintained the Clements Rd. connection in the ROP. Planned studies related to development and the widening of Bayly Street will re-examine the connection.</p>
2005-009	SC-2005-66	Loblaw Properties Ltd. Lots 3 & 4, Conc. 1 Town of Ajax (South of Achilles Rd., East of Salem Rd.)	<p>To delete a Type C Arterial Road.</p> <p>Status: ROPA #171 maintained the Shoal Point Rd. extension, north of Bayly Street in the ROP. Final disposition of this file is pending.</p>
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.)	<p>To permit two 18-hole golf courses and a resort/ conference centre in the Prime Agricultural designation (formerly Permanent Agricultural Reserve).</p> <p>Status: Awaiting further technical studies from the applicant.</p>
2016-003		Clara and Nick Conforti – Optilinx Systems Lot 21, Conc. 4 Town of Whitby (Thickson Rd. between Taunton Rd. East and Conlin Rd.)	<p>To permit the continuation and expansion of a contractor's yard and office in the Major Open Space designation.</p> <p>Status: Application appealed on December 12, 2019. Regional position in opposition to the amendment endorsed by Council on July 29, 2020. An OLT Case Management Conference was held September 7, 2021. An OLT hearing was scheduled for April 4, 2022. The appeals were dismissed at the OLT hearing held on April 4, 2022. The applicant has since submitted a leave to appeal the OLT decision with the Ontario Divisional Court on May 20, 2022.</p>

OPA file	Council/ standing committee corr.	Applicant/ Location	Proposed amendment
2021-002		Sunrise International Investments Inc. Lot 4, Concession 5 City of Pickering (3695 Sideline 4)	<p>To permit the redevelopment of the existing 12-hole golf course to a 9-hole golf course, a clubhouse with banquet facility, golf dome for indoor driving range, and a maintenance structure.</p> <p>Status: Awaiting a revised application from the Applicant. Application is on hold until it is received.</p>
2021-003		Region of Durham. Various sites in proximity to existing and planned GO Rail stations.	<p>To implement Protected Major Transit Station Area policies and delineations as a component of the Region's municipal comprehensive review.</p> <p>Status: Regionally adopted ROPA 186 was submitted to MMAH for approval in January 2022.</p>
2021-005		Bridgebrook Corp. Lot 33, Con 6, Township of Uxbridge (7370 Centre Road)	<p>To redesignate the subject lands from Special Study Area #6 to Living Areas to allow a plan of subdivision.</p> <p>Status: Applicant appealed ROPA application as well as related rezoning, subdivision and local OPA application on March 16, 2022. OLT Case Management Conference conducted on September 1, 2022. Hearing is scheduled for January 15, 2024.</p>
2021-006		Winchcoron Holdings Limited Lot 30, Con 5, Town of Whitby (605 Winchester Road West)	<p>To develop a golf course expansion</p> <p>Status: Public meeting was held on September 7, 2021. Decision meeting to be scheduled.</p>
2021-007		Antonius Vissers & Theodora Vissers (Vissers Sod Farm) Municipality of Clarington Lot 18, Concession 4, (4382 Green Road)	<p>To permit the severance of a non-abutting surplus farm dwelling.</p> <p>Status: Statutory Public meeting held on September 7, 2021. Recommendation meeting scheduled for April 4, 2023.</p>

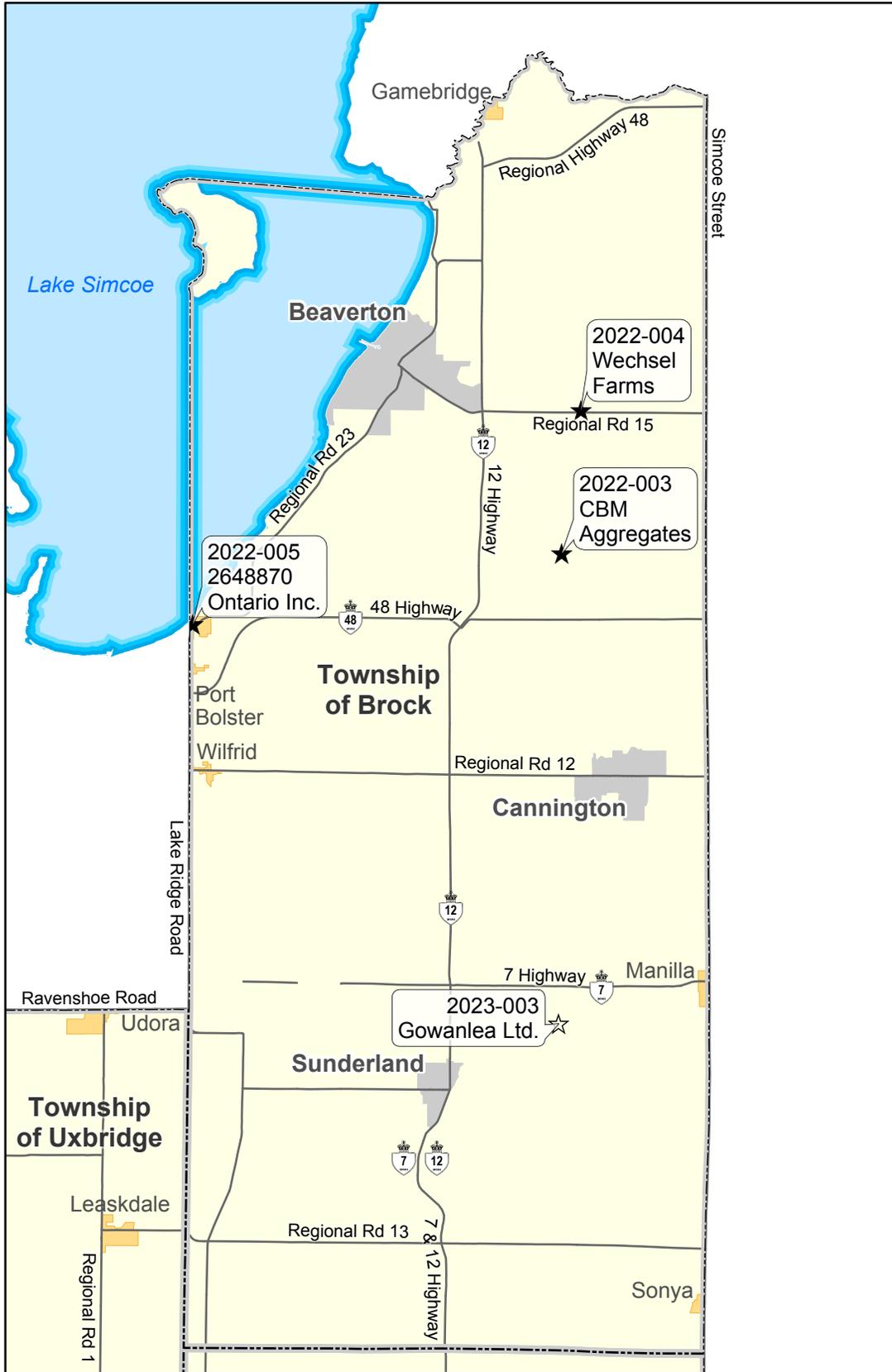
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2022-002		Norman Clements Township of Uxbridge Lot 15, Concession 4 (10899 Concession Road 4)	<p>To permit the severance of a non-abutting surplus farm dwelling.</p> <p>Status: Statutory Public Meeting was held June 7, 2022. Decision meeting to be scheduled.</p>
2022-003		CBM Aggregates Township of Brock Lots 7&8, Concession 2 (S895 Regional Road 13)	<p>To permit an aggregate pit expansion consisting of a licensed area of approximately 35.2 ha and an area proposed for extraction of approximately 22.4 ha, including above and below the water table extraction.</p> <p>Status: Public meeting held on September 6, 2022. Decision meeting to be scheduled.</p>
2022-004		Garth Wechsel Township of Brock Lot 6, Concession 5 (B1845 Regional Road 15)	<p>To permit the severance of a farm dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm properties.</p> <p>Status: Public meeting held on December 6, 2022. Decision meeting to be scheduled. Recommendation meeting scheduled for April 4, 2023.</p>
2022-005		2648870 Ontario Inc. Township of Brock Lot 1, Concession 14 (23801 Thorah Park Boulevard)	<p>To permit the development of a resort comprised of a three-storey building with 42 suites and four single-storey “villas” for a total of 46 rental units.</p> <p>Status: Public Meeting held January 10, 2023. Decision meeting to be scheduled.</p>
2022-006		Wooden Sticks Golf Inc., Township of Uxbridge, Part Lot 27, Concession 6. (40 Elgin Park Drive)	<p>To permit a five-storey hotel and expanded parking area ancillary to the existing golf course.</p> <p>Status: Public Meeting scheduled for April 4, 2023.</p>

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2023-001		Bethesda Ridge Farms, Municipality of Clarington, Part of Lot 8, Concession 6 (2774 Sixth Concession)	To permit the severance of a farm dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm properties. Status: Public Meeting scheduled for April 4, 2023.
2023-002		Thornlea Holsteins Ltd. Municipality of Clarington Part Lot 1, Concession 5 (4854 Concession Road 5)	To permit the severance of a farm dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm properties. Status: Public Meeting scheduled for April 4, 2023.
2023-003		Gowanlea Ltd. Township of Brock Part of Lots 17 & 18, Concession 7 (1705 Concession Road 7)	To permit the severance of a farm dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm properties. Status: Public Meeting scheduled for May 2, 2023.



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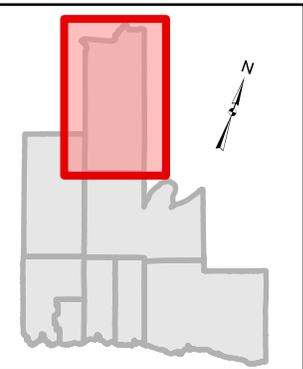
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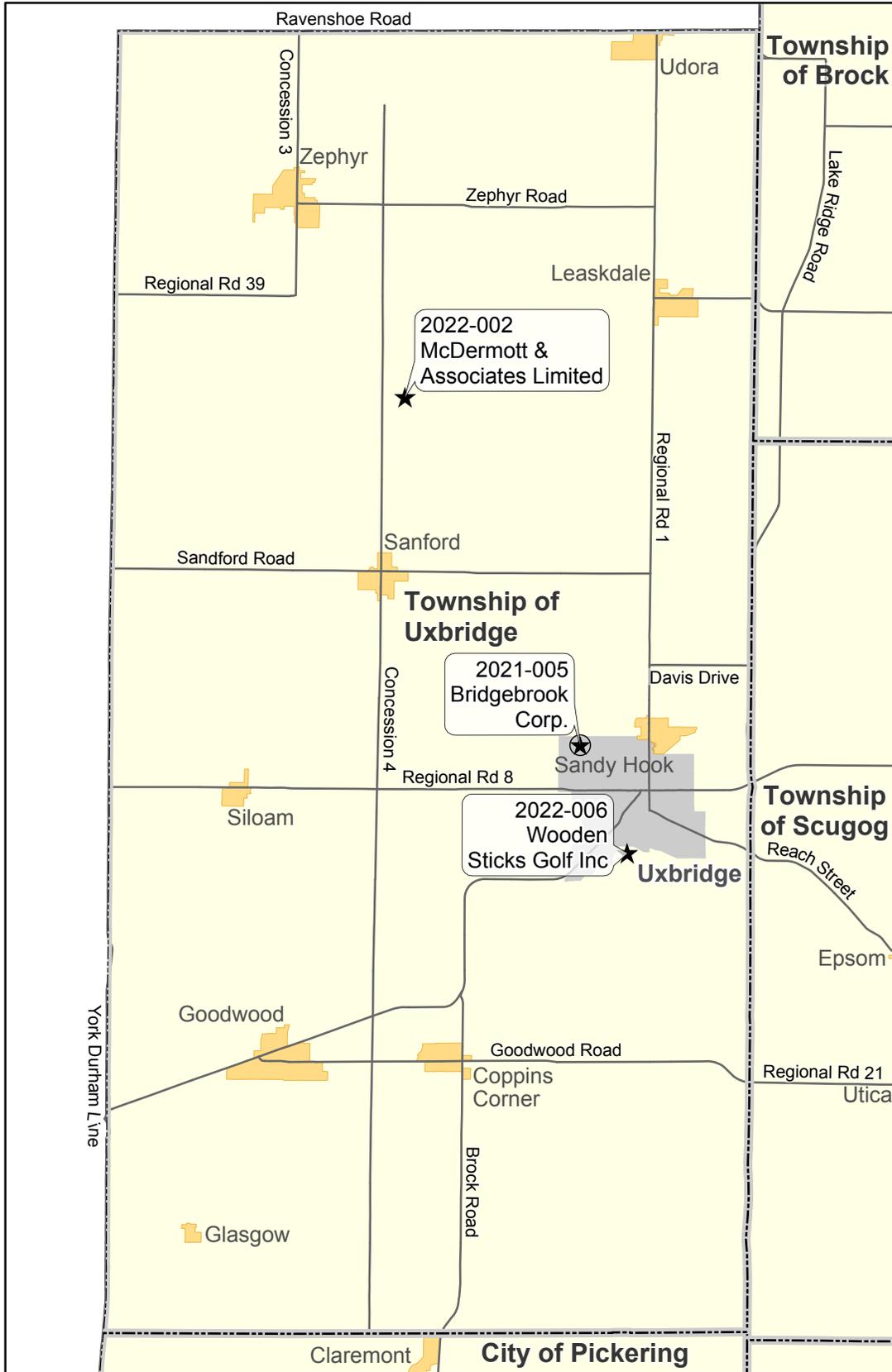
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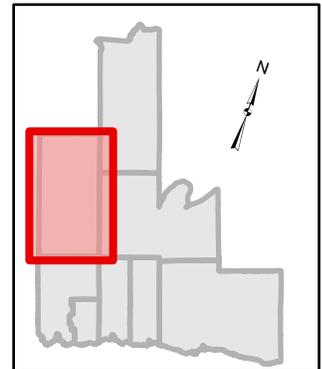
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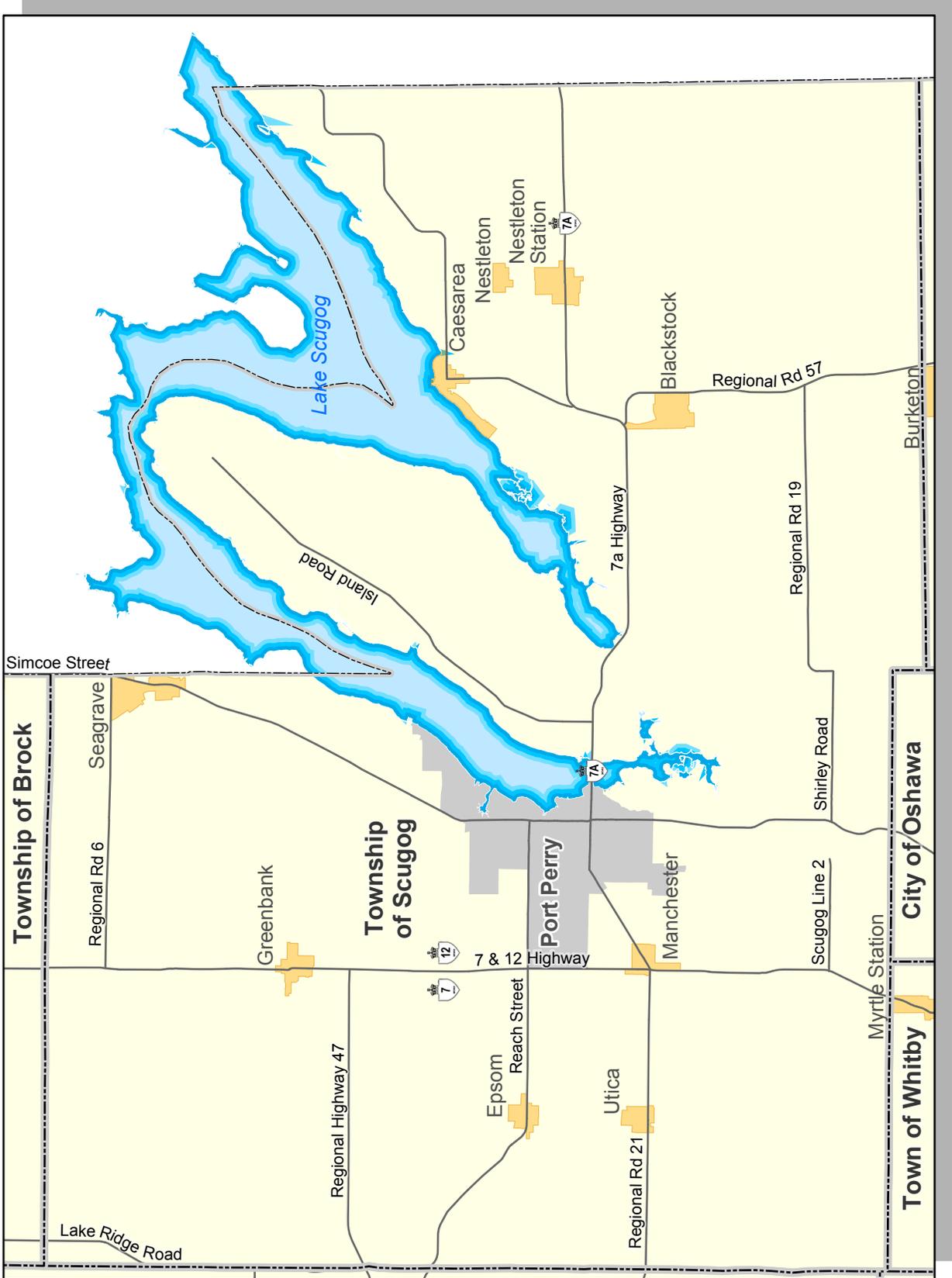




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Township of Scugog

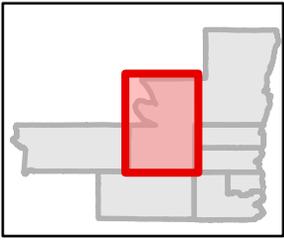
As of March 31, 2023 there are no active ROPA applications in the Township of Scugog



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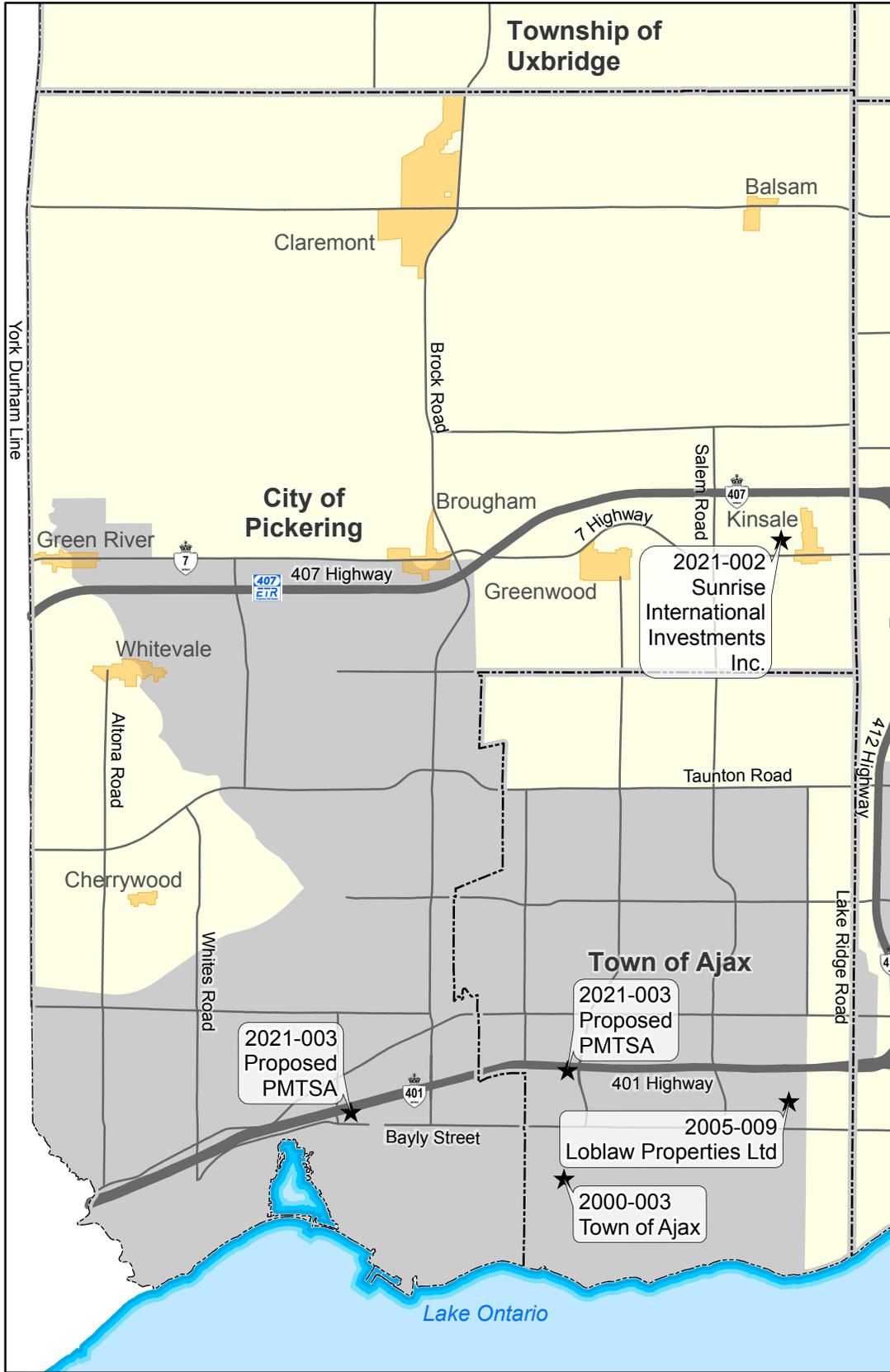
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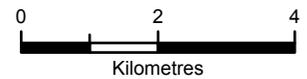
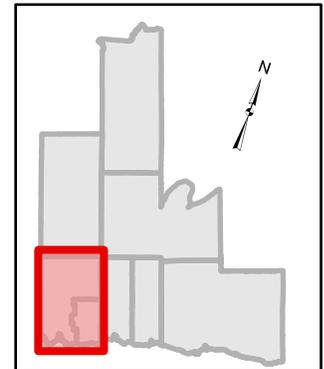
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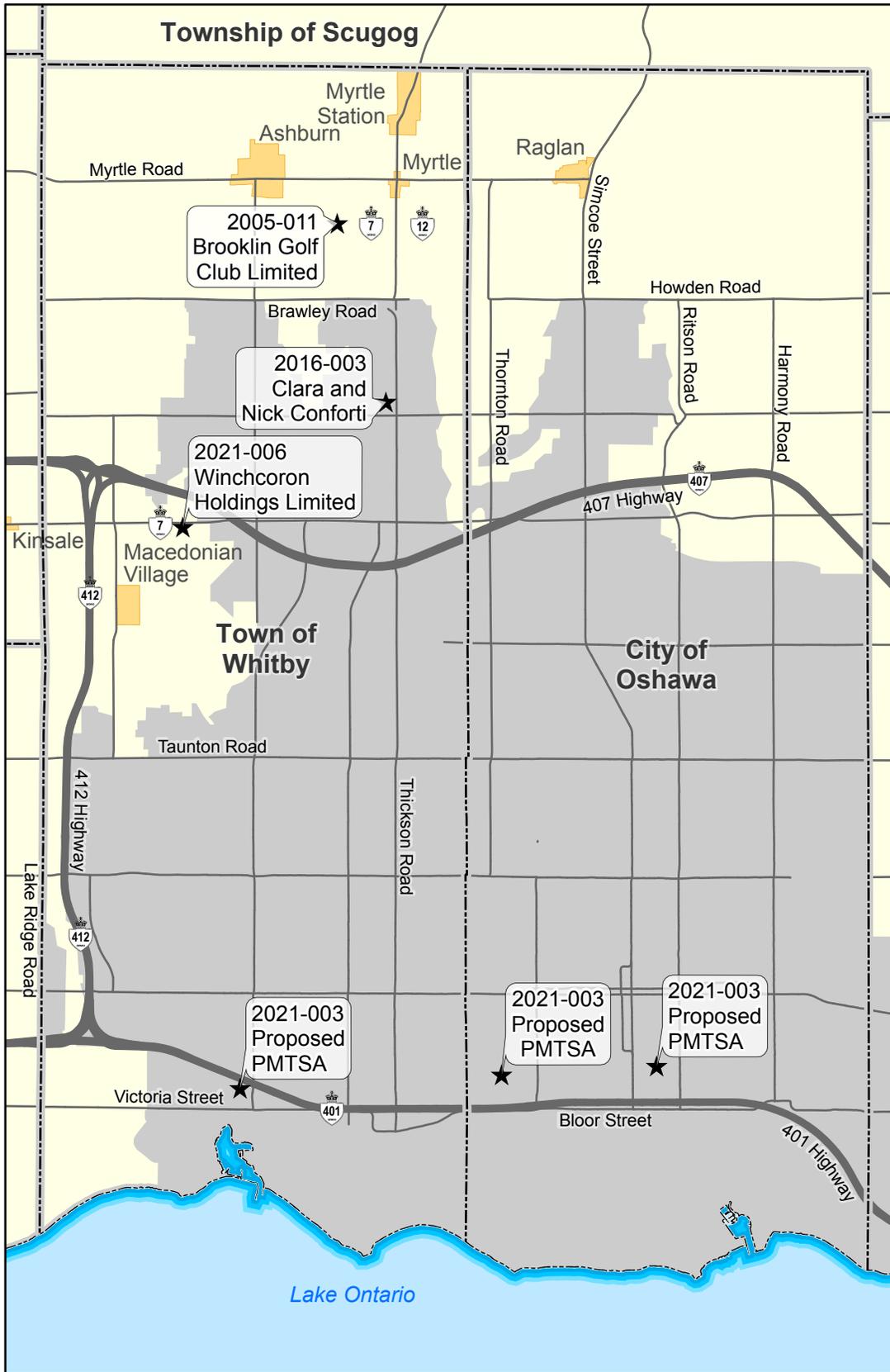
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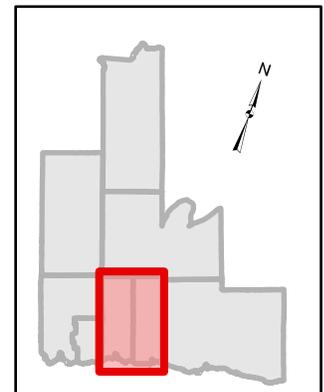
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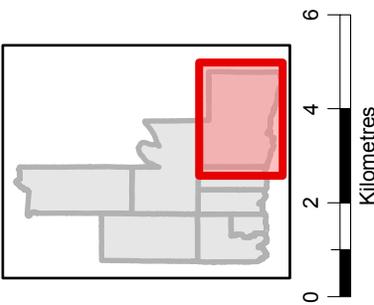
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**Non-Exempt Area Municipal Planning Applications Under Appeal Before the
Ontario Land Tribunal (As of March 31, 2023)**

Regional File No./OLT Case No.	Applicant	Municipality	Purpose	Status
OPA 66 OLT-22-002958 &OLT-22-002959	Bridgebrook Corp.	Township of Uxbridge	To redesignate the lands at 7370 Centre Road from Future Residential Area to Residential.	Applicant appealed to the Township of Uxbridge's failure to make a decision on March 16, 2022. This application is related to ROPA 2021-005. An OLT Case Management Conference was held September 1, 2022, and OLT Case Management Conference conducted on September 1, 2022. Hearing is scheduled for January 15, 2024.
COPA 2022-003 OLT-22-004850	Wasser and Yassim Philobes	Municipality of Clarington	Appealing the low-density designation on specific parcel of land to permit a higher density use. Appealed various policies and sections of the Southwest Courtice Secondary Plan.	Case Management Conference scheduled for April 12, 2023.

Regional File No./OLT Case No.	Applicant	Municipality	Purpose	Status
OPA 20-004/P (OPA 38) OLT-22-004770	City of Pickering	City of Pickering	To add new policies and change existing policies and land use designations to the Pickering Official Plan to enable the redevelopment and intensification of the Kingston Road Corridor and Specialty Retailing Node, and to identify required infrastructure improvements and transportation connections throughout the area in support of anticipated population and employment growth.	The OLT acknowledged receipt of six appeals on December 22, 2022. A Case Management Conference was held on March 17, 2023.

Summary of Reserved Street Names (As of March 31, 2023)

Municipality	Number of New Street Names Added in first Quarter of 2023	New Street Names Added*	Total Number of Street Names Reserved
Ajax	0		318
Brock	0		45
Clarington	0		655
Oshawa	0		463
Pickering	0		659
Scugog	0		218
Uxbridge	0		153
Whitby	0		424
Total	0		2,934

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

Sent by Email

May 29, 2023

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
80 Wellington Street,
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2
pm@pm.gc.ca

Subject: Re: Train Derailment – Hazardous Materials
File: A-1400

 Corporate Services Department Legislative Services Division	
Date & Time Received:	May 29, 2023 2:19 pm
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Notes/Comments:	

The Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering considered the above matter at a Meeting held on May 23, 2023 and adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS Main-track collisions and derailments are the most serious categories of rail accidents in terms of the potential risk to the public;

And Whereas, a total of 70 main-track derailments were reported in 2020;

And Whereas, 30% of the 70 main-track derailments occurred in British Columbia, 20% occurred in Ontario, and 16% occurred in Alberta;

And Whereas, main-track collisions and derailments have potentially the highest severity of all rail accident types resulting in substantial damage to property and the environment and can cause injury or fatality;

And Whereas, the risks increase significantly when passenger trains are involved or dangerous goods are released from trains that derail in populated areas;

Now therefore be it resolved, that The Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering request that the Federal and Provincial Governments provide the following:

1. What protocols are in place to notify Municipalities of the types of hazardous materials and toxic materials that are being transported within their borders (specifically the City of Pickering);
2. What are the frequencies these materials are being transported through the City of Pickering;
3. What notifications are in place to alert abutting neighborhoods for such transporting;

4. A copy of this Motion be sent to the Hon Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation, The Hon. Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy (Pickering-Uxbridge), Jennifer O'Connell (Pickering-Uxbridge), AMO, FCM, The Region of Durham, all Durham Municipalities; and,
5. Request they report back to Council no later than the September 2023 Council meeting.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905.420.4660, extension 2019.

Yours truly,



Susan Cassel
City Clerk

SC:am

Copy: The Honourable Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation
The Honourable Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Environment and Climate Change
The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Member of Provincial Parliament, Pickering-Uxbridge
Jennifer O'Connell, Member of Parliament, Pickering-Uxbridge
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
Alexander Harras, Regional Clerk, The Regional Municipality of Durham;
Nicole Cooper, Director of Legislative & Information Services, Town of Ajax
June Gallagher, Municipal Clerk, Municipality of Clarington;
Chris Harris, Clerk, Town of Whitby;
Fernando Lamanna, Clerk, Township of Brock
Debbie Leroux, Clerk, Township of Uxbridge
Mary Medeiros, City Clerk, City of Oshawa
Becky Jamieson, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk, Township of Scugog
Chief Administrative Officer

May 30, 2023

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Sent online via ERO posting 019-6813

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File: 12-03-3564

Re: City Comments on the Proposed Provincial Planning Statement and Summary of Changes Resulting from Bill 97, the "Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023"

Please be advised that City Council at a meeting held on May 29, 2023 dealt with the above-noted matter and adopted the following recommendation of the Economic and Development Services Committee:

1. That Report ED-23-112 dated May 3, 2023, including Attachment 3, be endorsed as the City's comments on the proposed Provincial Planning Statement.
2. That Report ED-23-112 dated May 3, 2023, including Attachment 4, be endorsed as the City's comments on Bill 97.
3. That Economic and Development Services staff be authorized to submit the comments contained in Report ED-23-112 dated May 3, 2023 related to the proposed Provincial Planning Statement and Bill 97 in response to the associated proposal posted on the Environmental Registry of Ontario website under Notice 019-6813 and under Notice 019-6821.
4. That staff be authorized to forward a copy of Report ED-23-112 dated May 3, 2023 and the related Council resolution to the Region of Durham, Durham area municipalities, and Durham area M.P.P.s."

Please find enclosed a copy of Report ED-23-112 for your consideration in response to the above-noted ERO posting.

If you require further information or clarification, please contact Laura Brown at the address shown or by telephone at (905) 436-3311, extension 2125 or by email to labrown@oshawa.ca.



Meaghan Harrington, MCIP, RPP, Manager
Policy

LB/k

Attachment

- c. Region of Durham
Durham area municipalities
Durham area M.P.P.s

To: Economic and Development Services Committee

From: Warren Munro, HBA, MCIP, RPP, Commissioner,
Economic and Development Services Department

Report Number: ED-23-112

Date of Report: May 3, 2023

Date of Meeting: May 8, 2023

Subject: City Comments on the Proposed Provincial Planning Statement
and Summary of Changes Resulting from Bill 97, the "Helping
Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023"

Ward: All Wards

File: 12-03-3564

1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to:

1. obtain Council's endorsement of City comments regarding a proposed new Provincial Planning Statement (the "P.P.S."); and,
2. to provide a summary of changes resulting from Bill 97, the "Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023" ("Bill 97").

The proposed P.P.S. was posted on the Environmental Registry of Ontario's ("E.R.O.") website under Notice 019-6813 on April 6, 2023, with comments requested by June 5, 2023.

The proposed Bill 97 was posted on the E.R.O. website under Notice 019-6821 on April 6, 2023, with comments requested by May 6, 2023.

Attachment 1 is a copy of the proposed P.P.S., which was released on April 6, 2023. Owing to the size of the document, it is not attached to this Report but a copy of the proposed P.P.S. can be viewed at the following link: <https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-6813>.

Attachment 2 is a copy of Bill 97, which was introduced into the Ontario Legislature with first reading on April 6, 2023. Owing to the size of the document, it is not attached to this Report but a copy of the proposed Bill 97 can be viewed at the following link: <https://www.ola.org/en/legislative-business/bills/parliament-43/session-1/bill-97>.

Attachment 3 presents staff comments on the proposed P.P.S.

Attachment 4 presents staff comments on Bill 97.

2.0 Recommendation

That the Economic and Development Services Committee recommend to City Council:

1. That Report ED-23-112 dated May 3, 2023, including Attachment 3, be endorsed as the City's comments on the proposed Provincial Planning Statement.
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3.0 Executive Summary

Not applicable.

4.0 Input From Other Sources

Not applicable.

5.0 Analysis

5.1 Background

The Provincial Policy Statement, 2020 (the "Provincial Policy Statement") and A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2019 (the "Growth Plan") both provide comprehensive, integrated policy direction on land use planning matters including:

- Growth management, housing and economic development;
- Infrastructure planning, including sewage, water and stormwater management services, transportation, transit, energy supply and corridor protection;
- Protection and management of resources, including prime agricultural areas, aggregates, natural heritage, water, and cultural heritage; and,
- Protection of public health and safety, such as mitigating potential risks due to natural and human-made hazards.

The Provincial Policy Statement is issued under the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13 (the "Planning Act") and is the primary, Province-wide land use planning policy document. The Growth Plan is issued under the Places to Grow Act, 2005 and provides a more detailed framework for where and how growth should be accommodated in the Greater Golden Horseshoe. To the extent that the policies contained in the Growth Plan differ from those in the Provincial Policy Statement the policies of the Growth Plan are paramount.

In 2022, the Provincial government undertook a review on approaches for leveraging the housing supportive policies of both the Provincial Policy Statement and the Growth Plan through a streamlined province-wide framework.

As directed by Council on November 21, 2022, the City submitted comments to the Province pursuant to Report CNCL-22-78 dated November 16, 2022.

The Provincial government received feedback on the following six themes:

- Residential land supply
- Attainable housing supply and mix
- Growth management
- Environment and natural resources
- Community infrastructure
- Streamlined planning framework

The Province is now seeking input on a proposed P.P.S. that would replace both the existing Provincial Policy Statement and the Growth Plan.

5.2 Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

The purpose of the proposed P.P.S. is to combine the elements of the Growth Plan and the existing Provincial Policy Statement into a new land use policy document.

Through the proposed P.P.S. the Provincial government is proposing policies grouped under five pillars:

- Generate an appropriate housing supply
- Make land available for development
- Provide infrastructure to support development
- Balance housing with resources
- Implementation

If the proposed P.P.S. is adopted, the Provincial government would consequentially revoke the existing Provincial Policy Statement and the Growth Plan as well as amend regulations under the Places to Grow Act, 2005.

In addition, the Provincial government is proposing an administrative amendment to the Greenbelt Plan in order that the policies in the Greenbelt Plan are maintained should the existing Provincial Policy Statement and the Growth Plan be revoked.

The following subsections provide additional information pertaining to the five pillars. Staff note that the various bullets identifying the purpose and effect of the policies under the various pillars replicate the exact language used by the Province in the E.R.O. posting (i.e., Notice 019-6813). In cases where this language lacks clarity or appears erroneous, staff have provided commentary.

5.2.1 Pillar 1: Generate an Appropriate Housing Supply

The first pillar with respect to which the Provincial government is proposing policies under the proposed P.P.S. is to generate an appropriate housing supply. The proposed policies would:

- Identify large/fast-growing municipalities, with specific directions to plan strategically for growth:
 - Establish and meet minimum density targets for: major transit station areas, other strategic growth area (e.g., nodes and corridors), urban growth centres (transitioned from the Growth Plan).
 - Encourage to plan for transit-supportive greenfield density targets.
- Require municipalities to provide a range and mix of housing options with an expanded definition to include multi-unit types (laneway, garden suites, low and mid-rise apartments) and typologies (multi-generational, student).

[Staff comment: It should be noted that the reference to laneway homes and garden suites as examples of multi-unit housing types appears erroneous.]

- Require all municipalities to implement intensification policies.
- Provide flexibility for municipalities to allow for more residential development in rural settlements and multi-lot residential development on rural lands, including more servicing flexibility (e.g., leveraging capacity in the private sector servicing).
- Require municipalities to permit more housing on farms, including residential lot creation subject to criteria, additional residential units and housing for farm workers.
- Require municipalities to align land use planning policies with housing policies, including addressing homelessness and facilitating development of a full range of housing options and affordability levels to meet local needs.

5.2.2 Pillar 2: Make Land Available for Development

The second pillar with respect to which the Provincial government is proposing policies under the proposed P.P.S. is to make land available for development. The proposed policies would:

- Provide flexibility for municipalities to use government or municipally established forecasts (at minimum), with a transition phase for municipalities in the Greater Golden Horseshoe.

- Require municipalities to plan for a minimum 25-year horizon, maintain a 15-year residential land supply and maintain land with servicing capacity for a 3-year supply of residential units.
- Provide a simplified and flexible approach for municipalities to undertake settlement area boundary expansions. Municipalities would be allowed to create new Settlement Areas and would not be required to demonstrate the need for expansion.
- Require municipalities to plan for and protect industrial and manufacturing uses that are unsuitable for mixed use areas, using a more narrowly scoped definition of “area of employment” limited to these uses and preserving large, contiguous areas of land.
- Encourage municipalities to preserve employment areas close to goods movement corridors, coordinating across administrative boundaries and consider opportunities to densify.

[Staff comment: It is uncertain as to whether the three directives contained herein relate collectively to just employment areas, or whether they are three separate directives that do not necessarily relate to one another.]

- Provide municipalities with greater control over employment area conversions to support the forms of development and job creation that suit the local context.

5.2.3 Pillar 3: Provide Infrastructure to Support Development

The third pillar with respect to which the Provincial government is proposing policies under the proposed P.P.S. is to provide infrastructure to support development. The proposed policies would:

- Require municipalities to plan for stormwater management, water and wastewater infrastructure, and waste management systems to accommodate growth.
- Require municipalities to protect corridors for major infrastructure, such as highways, transit, transmission systems and encourage municipalities to provide opportunities for the development of energy supply to accommodate current and projected needs.

[Staff comment: with respect to providing opportunities for the development of “energy supply”, it is unclear if this is intended to relate to energy supply facilities and infrastructure.]

- Require the integration of land use planning and transportation with encouragement for freight-supportive and transit-supportive development to move goods and people.
- Require municipalities and school boards to integrate planning for schools and growth.

5.2.4 Pillar 4: Balance Housing with Resources

The fourth pillar with respect to which the Provincial government is proposing policies under the proposed P.P.S. is to balance housing with resources. The proposed policies would:

- Require municipalities to designate specialty crop areas and prime agricultural areas, eliminating the requirement to use the provincially-mapped Agricultural System.
- Require municipalities to protect specialty crop areas and maintain minimum separation distances between livestock operations and houses, and promote an agricultural systems approach to support the agri-food network.
- Require municipalities to facilitate access to aggregate resources close to market and to protect minerals, petroleum and mineral aggregate resources.
- Require municipalities to protect water resources and features and encourage watershed planning.
- Update the cultural heritage policies to align with Ontario Heritage Act amendments through Bill 108 and Bill 23, with a focus on conserving protected heritage properties.
- Require municipalities to prepare for the impacts of a changing climate and develop approaches to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality.
- Require municipalities to direct development outside of hazardous lands and sites.

As of April 6, 2023, natural heritage policies and related definitions remain under consideration by the government. Once proposed policies and definitions are ready for review and input, they will be made available through a separate posting on the E.R.O. This posting (E.R.O. Number 019-6813) will be updated with a link to the relevant posting once it is available.

5.2.5 Pillar 5: Implementation

The fifth pillar with respect to which the Provincial government is proposing policies under the proposed P.P.S. relates to implementation. The proposed policies would:

- Align with recent legislative amendments.
- Require municipalities to undertake early engagement with Indigenous communities and coordinate with them on land use planning matters to facilitate knowledge-sharing, support consideration of Indigenous interests in land use decision-making and support the identification of potential impacts of decisions on the exercise of Aboriginal or treaty rights.
- Affirm that efficient land-use patterns contribute to increased equitable access to housing, employment, parks and transportation, and encourage municipalities to apply an equity lens on planning matters and engage stakeholders early in the process.

- Encourage coordination, particularly on inter-municipal topics.

5.3 Proposed Bill 97

In addition to combining the Provincial Policy Statement and Growth Plan into a proposed single document, the Province is also introducing new legislation under Bill 97, asserting that it will make life easier for both renters and home buyers.

The proposed amendments to the Planning Act under Schedule 6 of Bill 97, if passed, would, among other matters, address:

- **Fee Refund Provisions:**
 - Delay the requirement for municipalities to refund zoning by-law and site plan application fees so that it only applies to applications submitted on or after July 1, 2023.
 - Create Minister's regulation-making authority to be able to exempt municipalities from the fee refund provisions in the future if needed (no exemptions are being proposed at this time).
- **Consequential Changes to Support Implementation of the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 (Bill 23):**
 - Clarify that the existing provisions regarding parking spaces for additional residential units apply only to the second and third units on a property.
 - Make various minor housekeeping edits to support implementation, including the use of consistent terminology.
- **Regulation-Making Authority for Site Plan Control for 10 Units or Less:**
 - Create regulation-making authority to prescribe specific circumstances where site plan control could be used for residential developments of 10 units or less.
- **Appeals of Interim Control By-laws:**
 - Enable an individual who received notice of the passing of an interim control by-law to appeal the by-law at the time of initial passing (rather than only at the time of extension).
 - Amend the notice and appeal timelines to provide 20 days for municipalities to give notice of the passing of an interim control by-law or a by-law extension (instead of the current 30 days) and for appeals to be made within 50 days of the by-law being passed.

- New Authority for Minister's Zoning Orders:
 - Provide the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing with the authority to exempt certain subsequent approvals required to establish uses permitted by Minister's zoning orders from having to align with Provincial plans or policies.
- Ministerial Authority to Require Development Agreements:
 - Provide the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing with the authority to require landowners to enter development agreements in relation to lands that have been assigned to the Provincial Land and Development Facilitator.
- Changes to Employment Area Protections:
 - Modify the definition of "area of employment" to only include heavy industry and other employment uses that cannot be located near sensitive uses, (i.e., not suitable for mixed use) to scope the applicability of existing provisions which limit appeals of municipal refusals and non-decisions.
- Regulation-making Authority for New Provincial Policy Document:
 - Create regulation-making authority to modify the application of Provincial policy statements to decisions on particular matters to support the implementation of provincial policies on a case-by-case basis.

In addition, proposed changes to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.46 under Schedule 4 of Bill 97 would provide for the appointment of up to four Deputy Provincial Land Development Facilitators.

The Province released Bill 97 on April 6, 2023 and only provided a 30 day comment period ending on May 6, 2023. For this reason staff were unable to provide City Council endorsed comments for Council's endorsement prior to the comment deadline. However, staff have submitted the comments contained in Attachment 4 to the Province with the provision that they represent staff comments and will only be endorsed by Council on May 29, 2023. In the event that the comments are not supported by City Council, staff will ask the Province to consider the comments as withdrawn.

In addition, further discussion and staff comments concerning the proposed changes to the Planning Act under Bill 97 involving employment areas is also contained in Attachment 3 and discussed further in Section 5.4 of this Report, given that these particular changes reflect amendments that are proposed as part of the Province's approach to implement the P.P.S.

5.4 Proposed Approach to Implementation of the Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

As part of the proposed P.P.S. (under Notice 019-6813), the Province released a document outlining their proposed approach to implementation of the P.P.S., including

proposed effective dates, transition and timing of amendments to area municipal official plans including amendments as a result of Bill 97 concerning areas of employment.

The Province's proposed approach to implementation of the P.P.S. and Bill 97 changes is generally as follows:

- Effective date and transition:
 - The effective date would be the date specified through an order in council approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council pursuant to section 3 of the Planning Act.
 - The Ministry is proposing to release the final policies in fall, 2023.
 - Any planning matter decision made on or after the effective date of the new policy document would be subject to the new policies except if a transition regulation were made.
- Timing for official plan updates:
 - The Planning Act requires official plans to be revised every five (5) years or every ten (10) years after a new official plan.
 - The intention is that official plans would be updated as necessary to implement these new policies at the time of their ordinary review cycle.
- Employment area changes:
 - If the proposed changes are passed, the definition in the Planning Act for 'area of employment' would be changed. An area of employment would only include those areas that cannot locate in mixed-use areas and require protection against conversion (i.e. heavy industrial). This change is proposed to take effect on proclamation of the new document.
 - Many municipalities' existing employment areas currently allow a range of uses which means time sensitive official plan updates will be needed to align with the new definition.
 - If the proposed changes are approved, areas that do not meet the definition of area of employment would no longer be subject to policy requirements for conversions to non-employment uses.
 - To maintain the integrity of employment areas, that are intended to remain protected over the long term, municipalities are encouraged to update their official plans to explicitly authorize the site-specific permissions of any existing uses that do not align with the new definition.
- Various matters specific to the Greater Golden Horseshoe:
 - The Growth Plan currently requires municipalities in the Greater Golden Horseshoe to plan specific population and employment forecasts to 2051. If the municipalities'

official plan is still in progress, it is expected that the municipality would continue to use the 2051 forecasts provided by the province. Lower-tier municipalities would be expected to meet or exceed the growth forecasts allocated to them by the upper-tier. As time passes and forecasts need to be updated, it is expected that municipalities in the Greater Golden Horseshoe would do their own forecasting of population and employment growth.

- Bill 23, made changes to the Planning Act that upon proclamation will remove statutory approvals authority from seven (7) upper-tier municipalities. It is anticipated that the change will not take effect until winter 2024 at the earliest.
- In 2019, the Province established thirty-one (31) Provincially Significant Employment Zones for the purpose of long-term planning for job creation and economic development. The government is seeking feedback on the need to identify Provincially Significant Employment Zones through an alternative approach. Protections would be consistent with the proposed definition of areas of employment.

If the proposed changes are passed, there is the potential for the revocation of the Growth Plan and the changes made to the P.P.S. to affect the implementation of policies in the Greenbelt Plan. An amendment is being proposed to the Greenbelt Plan that would indicate that the previous policies in the P.P.S and the Growth Plan would continue to apply in those cases where the Greenbelt Plan refers to them.

5.5 Next Steps

Staff are seeking Council's endorsement of the staff comments contained in Attachments 3 and 4 of this Report as the City's comments regarding the E.R.O. postings (i.e., Notice 019-6813 and Notice 019-6821) concerning the proposed P.P.S. and Bill 97.

Staff have already submitted comments contained in Attachment 4 to the Province with the provision that they represent staff comments and will only be endorsed by Council on May 29, 2023. In the event that the comments are not supported by City Council, staff will ask the Province to consider the comments as withdrawn.

If endorsed by Council, City staff will share the City's comments in Attachment 3 with the Province through the respective posting on the E.R.O. website.

Staff will continue to monitor the progression of the proposed new P.P.S. and resulting changes to the Planning Act as a result of Bill 97, and will report back at the appropriate time if deemed necessary (i.e. employment area conversions).

6.0 Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with the recommendations in this Report.

7.0 Relationship to the Oshawa Strategic Plan

The Recommendations advance the Accountable Leadership goal of the Oshawa Strategic Plan.

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Staff Comments on the Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

	Question (as posed in E.R.O. Posting Number 019-6813)	Staff Comments
1.	<p>What are your thoughts on the policies that have been included from the Provincial Policy Statement and the Growth Plan in the proposed policy document, including the proposed approach to implementation?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that the current Provincial Policy Statement is two years old and the current Growth Plan was issued in August 2020 following previous significant revisions in 2019 and 2017. Both the Provincial Policy Statement and the Growth Plan are proposed to be replaced by a single proposed Provincial Planning Statement (“P.P.S.”) <p>These frequent revisions and issuances of Provincial land use planning policies have created uncertainty regarding land use planning policy direction and require implementing bodies to continually revise their work plans for effective local implementation.</p> <p>The Province should commit to policy certainty for a defined period of time following the issuance of the proposed P.P.S. to allow municipalities and others the ability to focus on implementation with certainty. It would also provide time to analyze the implementation of the P.P.S. rather than undertaking what appears to be a rushed approach to implementation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Subject to the foregoing, staff support the integration of the Provincial Policy Statement and the Growth Plan into one new Province-wide planning policy document. However, the goal of increasing housing supply and supporting a range and mix of housing options needs to be balanced with the goal of protecting and managing resources, the natural environment and public health and safety. Increasing the supply of housing and supporting a diversity of housing types is important, but should not come at the expense of the environment, or other important planning considerations. ▪ Staff support the idea of streamlining and simplifying policy direction, as well as policy direction that allows for flexibility and takes into account local circumstances.

	Question (as posed in E.R.O. Posting Number 019-6813)	Staff Comments
2.	What are your thoughts on the proposed policy direction for large and fast-growing municipalities and other municipalities?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that under the proposed P.P.S., large and fast growing municipalities including the City of Oshawa will be required to identify strategic growth areas in official plans along with density targets. <p>Staff support identifying strategic growth areas and density targets in official plans. This will ensure that there is a sufficient supply and mix of housing options.</p> <p>Implementing density targets are helpful as they provide a measurable criterion to assist with growth. However, not all communities are the same and one standard density target across the Greater Golden Horseshoe is not realistic, given differing populations, market conditions, etc.</p>
3.	What are your thoughts regarding the proposed policies to generate housing supply, including an appropriate range and mix of housing options?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff support increasing the supply of housing and support a diversity of housing types. The following are some land use policies that the government should implement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Permitting more housing types in certain residential areas/contexts and encouraging “gentle density” (while still carefully considering how this will affect neighbourhoods); - Encouraging and planning for growth in strategic growth areas (e.g. Urban Growth Centres, Major Transit Station Area’s, etc.); - Implementing robust intensification and density targets; - Implementing policies to ensure that development of lower density development in Greenfield areas proceeds in tandem with higher density development within Built-up Areas, and giving municipalities the ability to regulate the issuance of approvals for lower density development in the event such development outpaces the delivery of a certain level of medium and high density development; - Encouraging the development of complete communities; and, - Requiring municipalities to undertake intensification studies to determine where new development opportunities may exist to accommodate future growth within already built-up areas.

	Question (as posed in E.R.O. Posting Number 019-6813)	Staff Comments
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that with an aging population, it is important to also consider the inclusion of policies related to providing accessible and affordable housing for persons with disabilities and for persons who may have mobility challenges, many of whom are seniors. ▪ In addition to land use planning policies, the Province needs to provide financial assistance to municipalities to assist with increasing the supply of housing and supporting a diverse mix of housing types, including associated hard and soft services. With increases to the housing supply and accelerated housing growth comes an increase in demand for public services such as parks, recreation and fire services, etc. ▪ Staff note that the proposed policies concerning settlement area boundary expansions appear to conflict with the intent of other policies in the proposed P.P.S., such as with respect to the protection of prime agricultural lands. The proposed P.P.S. no longer requires a planning authority to demonstrate a need for the expansion (i.e. demonstrate insufficient opportunities to accommodate growth through intensification, redevelopment and/or in strategic growth areas). This may result in premature expansion of settlement area boundaries into prime agricultural areas where opportunities for growth may already exist in already built-up areas.
4.	What are your thoughts on the proposed policies regarding the conservation of agriculture, aggregates, natural and cultural heritage resources?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that there needs to be a balance between increasing the housing supply and protecting and managing resources and the natural environment. Increasing the supply of housing and the range of housing types is important, but this should not come at the expense of the environment, or other important planning considerations. ▪ Staff also note that under the proposed P.P.S. natural heritage policies have not been finalized or released by the Province. It is unclear when the proposed policies concerning the protection of the natural heritage system will be released and therefore staff are unable to comment at this time.
5.	What are your thoughts on the proposed policies regarding planning for employment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that under the proposed P.P.S. municipalities can consider, and landowners can apply for, the removal of land from employment areas. The test to be met includes demonstrating that there is a need for the removal and that the land is not required for employment uses over the long term.

	Question (as posed in E.R.O. Posting Number 019-6813)	Staff Comments
		<p>In the absence of land budgets and targets to be met with the proposed repeal of the Growth Plan, the application of these tests will rely on targets that are contained in the area municipal official plans.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The proposed P.P.S. indicates that “planning authorities may remove lands from employment areas...”. Clarity is requested as to whether this ability is limited to municipalities only, or if third parties such as developers may apply to have lands removed from employment lands. ▪ Staff note that given the reciprocal changes to the Planning Act under Bill 97, the definition of ‘areas of employment’ will change and may result in changes to the City’s existing Official Plan policy framework as it relates to Industrial Areas. For example, areas to be designated as ‘area of employment’ will no longer permit public service facilities as a permitted use, such as parks and community recreation facilities. Any areas which are not explicitly designated as ‘areas of employment’ under the new definition as contained in the Planning Act will no longer be subject to any requirement to demonstrate there is a need for conversion to non-employment uses, such as residential or commercial uses. For this reason, it would be appropriate to clarify that such areas are not to be relied upon to meet a municipality’s employment forecast in terms of planning an appropriate land budget.
6.	<p>Are there any other barriers to, or opportunities for, accelerating development and construction (e.g., federal regulations, infrastructure planning and approvals, private/public partnerships for servicing, provincial permitting, urban design guidelines, technical standards, zoning, etc.)?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that the development community is a key partner in ensuring that housing development is accelerated. Continuing to work closely with the development community will be important, with support from the Province by encouraging developers to advance residential projects that already have approvals in place. ▪ The availability of skilled trades people to undertake construction is critical. Enhanced Provincial support for post-secondary programs involving the trades should be implemented on a go-forward basis. ▪ Staff note that another barrier to the acceleration of the development of housing is the investment that will be needed for infrastructure to support new homes. The Province should provide financial support to assist municipalities in accelerating development, which could include funding for new roads, water and sanitary services, trails, recreation centres, parks, fire services, etc.

General Staff Comments on the Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

	Description	Staff Comments
1.	<p>Growth Targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Under the proposed P.P.S., municipalities will no longer be required to establish or maintain specific population and employment targets for a horizon year, for areas outside of strategic growth areas and major transit station areas (e.g. no longer required to meet a minimum density in greenfield areas). ▪ Under the proposed P.P.S., the Provincial government expects that municipalities will continue to use the 2051 targets at a minimum. ▪ Under the proposed P.P.S., when updating official plans, municipalities will be required to have enough land designated to meet projected needs for a time horizon of at least 25 years (a change from “up to 25 years”). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that this means long term planning decisions will be up to the municipality particularly with respect to where growth is to be accommodated and at what density target (e.g. number of people and/or jobs per hectare). Clarity is requested as to whether a density target for a non-strategic growth area established by a municipality will be subject to appeal. ▪ Staff note that the Envision Durham Regional Official Plan Amendment includes a planning horizon to 2051, in line with the proposed P.P.S. policies in this regard.

	Description	Staff Comments
2.	<p>Strategic Growth Areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Under the proposed P.P.S., large and fast-growing municipalities including the City of Oshawa, will be required to identify strategic growth areas in official plans along with density targets and these areas should be the focus of growth. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff support strategic growth areas being the focus of growth. Staff note that that proposed P.P.S. outlines minimum density targets for Major Transit Station Areas on higher order transit corridors. The minimum density targets are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 200 residents and jobs combined per hectare for those that are served by subways; - 160 residents and jobs combined per hectare for those that are served by light rail or bus rapid transit; or, - 150 residents and jobs combined per hectare for those that are served by commuter or regional inter-city rail. ▪ Staff note that the proposed P.P.S. does not provide minimum targets for strategic growth areas, but does require large and fast growing municipalities to identify appropriate targets in their respective area municipal official plans. Identifying strategic growth areas and density targets in official plans will assist with making sure there is a sufficient supply and mix of housing options and will result in more efficient land use patterns.
3.	<p>Intensification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Under the current Growth Plan there are specific intensification targets which requires municipalities to plan for a certain amount of growth within the defined built boundary. ▪ Under the proposed P.P.S. there are no specific intensification targets to be met. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that implementing density targets are helpful as they provide a measurable criterion to assist with growth. However, not all communities are the same and one standard density target across the Greater Golden Horseshoe is not realistic, given differing populations, market conditions, etc. ▪ Staff note that with the removal of these intensification targets it may result in more sprawl with a reduction of intensification targets in existing neighbourhoods. This may result in inefficient land use patterns and may also result in increased infrastructure costs to support new homes.

	Description	Staff Comments
4.	<p>Built Boundary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Under the proposed P.P.S. there is no delineated built-up area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that the delineated built boundary assists with measuring intensification targets within a municipality. The proposed P.P.S. no longer requires a municipality to meet minimum intensification targets outside of its strategic growth areas and major transit station areas.
5.	<p>Municipal Comprehensive Reviews</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Under the proposed P.P.S. the concept of municipal comprehensive reviews of official plans has not been carried forward. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that it is the Province's expectation that a municipality will update its official plan as often as is required to ensure compliance with all applicable provincial plans and policies.
6.	<p>Settlement Boundary Area Expansions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ As mentioned previously, there is no requirement for municipal comprehensive reviews under the proposed P.P.S. It is proposed that municipalities have the ability to consider settlement area boundary expansions at any time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that this proposed amendment will allow municipalities to expand their urban boundary at any time since it is proposed that there will no longer be a municipal comprehensive review process. Under the proposed P.P.S., tests for settlement boundary area expansions are not as stringent as they currently are under the Provincial Policy Statement. When evaluating a proposed settlement area boundary expansion request, consideration of adequacy of servicing, phasing and agricultural issues such as minimum separation distances will be required. However, a municipality is no longer required to demonstrate that sufficient opportunities to accommodate growth are not available. ▪ Staff note there may be more sprawl with settlement area boundary expansions being considered at any time. This may also have negative impacts on infrastructure costs to support new homes. ▪ Staff note that there is no limitation of the ability of landowners from applying for an expansion although the Planning Act continues to limit the ability to appeal the refusal of such an application.

	Description	Staff Comments
7.	<p>Employment Land Conversions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Under the proposed P.P.S. municipalities can consider and landowners can apply for the removal of land from employment areas. ▪ The test to be met includes that there is a need for the removal, and the land is not required for employment uses over the long term. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that in the absence of land budgets and targets to be met, the application of these tests will rely on targets contained in official plans. The Planning Act continues to limit the ability to appeal refusals or non-decisions of such applications. ▪ Staff note that as a result of Bill 97 and the changes to the definition of ‘area of employment’ in the Planning Act, regeneration areas in the City’s Official Plan can no longer require studies or applications for conversion of employment uses to non-employment uses in these and other similar areas.
8.	<p>Employment Areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Under the proposed P.P.S. and in the Planning Act through Bill 97, the definition of ‘employment area’ is proposed to be changed. The focus will be on uses that cannot locate in mixed use areas, such as heavy industry, manufacturing and land scale warehousing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that the Province’s expectation is that upon Bill 97 taking effect, the City will have made any appropriate amendments to its official plan to meet the new definition of ‘area of employment’ and address any implications of same. Staff request that the Province provide a sufficient transition period to allow the City to complete a fulsome review of its official plan and make any required amendments.
9.	<p>Provincially Significant Employment Zones</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In 2019, the Provincial government introduced provincially significant employment zones. These areas will not exist in the proposed P.P.S. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that Provincially Significant Employment Zones were introduced without any substantial policy implementation. ▪ Staff also note that the government may consider alternative approaches to protect these lands such as minister’s zoning orders.

	Description	Staff Comments
10.	<p>Agricultural Lot Severances</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under the proposed P.P.S. additional residences will be permitted on farm properties (up to two additional on one parcel and up to three additional residential parcels). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff note that having in place policy direction that provides continued protection of prime agricultural areas and promotes Ontario's agricultural system is important. Depending on the context and purpose of proposed developments, allowing additional residential development in rural settlements and the division of large farms into smaller lots may potentially affect the operational viability of land for agricultural activity. Allowing additional residences for seasonal workers will support growing agricultural businesses and operations.
11.	<p>Climate Change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under the proposed P.P.S. there will be general policies requiring municipalities to plan for climate change. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff note that there needs to be a balance between increasing the housing supply and protecting and managing resources and the natural environment. Increasing the supply of housing and the range of housing is important, but should not come at the expense of the environment, or other important planning considerations. Staff note that the City of Oshawa has adopted both a corporate and a community greenhouse gas reduction plan under the Partners for Climate Protection under the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.
12.	<p>Natural Heritage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under the proposed P.P.S. natural heritage has not been finalized and it is unclear what proposed policies will be brought forward for natural heritage system protection. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff have no comments at this time. Given the current lack of material available to review, and that the Province intends to release a separate posting containing the Natural Heritage policies under the proposed P.P.S. for review and comment, staff request that the Province provide an extended comment period to allow for review by the City, being mindful there is only one (1) more Economic and Development Services Committee meeting scheduled in June before summer recess, thereby limiting staff's ability to report through Council for endorsement of staff comments.

	Description	Staff Comments
13.	<p>Coordination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Under the proposed P.P.S. there are policies concerning lower-tier municipalities coordinating land use planning matters including population, housing and employment projections based on a regional market area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that it is anticipated that the planning approval authority of the Region of Durham will cease at the end of 2024. Staff note that future population and employment forecasting in coordination with neighbouring municipalities will be a challenge given there are numerous lower-tier municipalities that could be considered to be in the same “regional market area” as the City of Oshawa. The Province should provide more guidance and clarity on how this is achievable without an upper-tier planning authority taking the lead in coordinating such an exercise on such a large geographical scale with numerous stakeholders. ▪ Staff note that there may be issues with individual municipalities making decisions only looking within their municipality as opposed to the Growth Plan which requires there to be a coordinated examination of where growth is going to happen. ▪ Staff note that conservation authorities have not been identified as a party that should be involved in the coordination of planning matters within regional market areas. Staff recommend the proposed P.P.S. include policy language to recognize that conservation authorities also play an important role in planning for growth in environmentally responsible ways.

	Description	Staff Comments
14.	<p>Stormwater Management and Water</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Section 3.6 of the proposed P.P.S discusses planning for sewage, water and stormwater services. - Section 4.2 of the proposed P.P.S. discusses wise use and management of water through various methods including watershed planning. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that the proposed P.P.S. removes water policies that currently require planning authorities to ensure stormwater management practices minimize stormwater volumes, in addition to minimizing contaminant loads. Staff believe that clear policy direction concerning stormwater volumes as a key consideration in stormwater management practices should be retained in the proposed P.P.S. ▪ Staff note that policies in the proposed P.P.S. encourage municipalities to undertake watershed planning to inform planning for sewage and water services, and stormwater management. Staff believe that watershed planning should be undertaken in partnership with the respective conservation authorities, as appropriate. As well, it should be noted that it would be appropriate to undertake watershed planning to prepare for the impacts of a changing climate. ▪ The proposed P.P.S. includes a definition for Watershed Planning. It is recommended that the definition be revised to include consideration of the impacts of a changing climate and severe weather events.
15.	<p>Natural Hazards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Section 5.2 of the proposed P.P.S. discusses management of development in areas containing natural and human-made hazards. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that conservation authorities have not been identified as a party to consult with when planning authorities are identifying hazardous lands and hazardous sites and managing development in these areas. Staff recommend including policy language that supports collaboration between municipalities and conservation authorities as it relates to identifying natural and human-made hazards.

Staff Comments on Bill 97 (E.R.O. Posting Number 019-6821)

	Description	Staff Comments
1.	<p>Site Plan Control</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Under Bill 23, if a development had less than 10 units, they would be excluded from site plan control. Bill 97 proposes to amend this by allowing site plan control to be applied to developments of less than 10 units where the development is within 120 metres of a shoreline or 300 metres of a railway line.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Staff note that permitting site plan control to be applied to developments of less than 10 units where the development is proposed within 120 metres of a shoreline or 300 metres of a railway line makes sense in principle. However, it is unclear as to why only these two exceptions were made given that there are other types of conditions/contexts where proximity to feature would also seem to merit site plan review (e.g. proximity to highways, arterial roads or hazard lands).

	Description	Staff Comments
2.	<p>Area of Employment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The definition of employment area is proposed to be narrowed. The current definition defines an area of employment as lands designated in an official plan for clusters of business and economic uses including (but not limited to) manufacturing uses, warehousing uses, office uses, associated retail uses and ancillary facilities. Bill 97 proposes to exclude institutional uses and commercial uses which include retail and office uses not associated with primary industrial uses. This exclusion will mean that sites that are currently designated as an 'area of employment' in an official plan may no longer be identified as employment and no longer be subject to the employment area policies, particularly those pertaining to employment conversions. - In addition, a new section is being proposed to the Planning Act that states that an area of employment with institutional or non-associated commercial uses would be deemed an area of employment provided the following two conditions are met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The lands in question are subject to official plan policies authorizing the continuation of the use; and, 2. The use was lawfully established on the land before the day the Bill 97 modified area of employment definition came into force. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that if Bill 97 is passed the scope of what constitutes an 'area of employment' would be narrowed. <p>The proposed addition of a new section in the Planning Act as it relates to what can be deemed an area of employment appears to allow municipalities to maintain the status quo, provided it adopts official plan policies that specifically authorize the continuation of institutional and non-employment related commercial uses that lawfully existed prior to the modified area of employment definition coming into effect.</p>
3.	<p>Interim Control By-laws</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Section 38 of the Planning Act allows a municipality to pass an interim control by-law. Prior to 2017, interim control by-laws were appealable within 60 days of passage. This appeal right was removed through Bill 139 which only allowed private appeals of the renewal of the interim control by-law but limited appeals within the first year of the interim control by-law to only the Province. - If the proposed changes are passed, it will shorten the period of time within which the Clerk of a municipality is required to give notice of an interim control by-law (from 30 days to 20 days) and to enable an individual who received notice of the passing of an interim control by-law to file an appeal at the time of initial passing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that if Bill 97 is passed, an appeal can be made at the time of passing an interim control by-law versus at the time of extension.

	Description	Staff Comments
4.	<p>Minister's Zoning Orders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bill 97 proposes to provide the Province with the authority to exempt certain subsequent approvals required to establish uses permitted by Minister's zoning orders from having to align with provincial plans or policies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that if Bill 97 is passed, this will provide additional powers to the Province as zoning orders will not have to align with provincial plans or policies. This would undermine the intent of Provincial plans and policies and does not constitute a good planning practice.
5.	<p>Fee Refund Provisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Planning Act was previously amended to introduce a requirement that municipalities must refund an application fee if the municipality fails to meet statutory deadlines for decisions on zoning by-law amendment applications, combined zoning-by-law/official plan amendment applications and site plan approval applications. These refund requirements came into force on January 1, 2023. - Under Bill 97, it is proposed that the refund provisions will be delayed until July 1, 2023. In addition, any refund that would have been owing for applications filed before July 1, 2023 are cancelled. In addition, it is proposed that the Minister would have regulation-making authority to be able to exempt certain municipalities from the fee refund provisions in the future if needed (no exemptions are being proposed at this time). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff note that these refunds were anticipated and that only the timeline for implementation has been adjusted.

Subject: RE: Municipality of North Perth Resolution - School Bus Stop Arm Cameras
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To all,

Please be advised that the following motion was passed by the Municipality of Central Manitoulin Council on March 21, 2023 to direct staff to send out a letter of support for the Municipality of North Perth; School Bus Stop Arm Cameras DTS.

Thank you,

Sue Meert

By-law Enforcement Officer



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Subject: Municipality of North Perth Resolution - School Bus Stop Arm Cameras

Good Afternoon,

Please see the attached resolution from the Municipality of North Perth regarding School Bus Stop Arm Cameras.

Regards,

Lindsay Cline

Clerk/Legislative Services Supervisor
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Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act

Please be advised that, at its meeting of April 11, 2023 the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne resolved as follows:

That correspondence received from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming regarding Bill 5 – Stopping harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, be supported.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference.

Sincerely,



Charlotte Madden
Acting City Clerk

cc.
The Honourable Si
Stephen Blais – MPP
Bob Bailey – MPP,
Association of Municipalities
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The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
premier@ontario.ca

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

March 31st 2023

Re: Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on March 29th 2023, the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion, supporting the resolution from the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding *Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act*.

Motion 13

Moved by Councillor Mike Vasey

Seconded by Councillor John van Klaveren

That Council support item 'M' of correspondence from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding Bill 5 – Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at dgiles@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Denny Giles
Deputy Clerk
Town of Plympton-Wyoming

cc: The Honourable Steve Clark – Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing
Stephen Blais – MPP, Orléans; Member, Standing Committee on Justice Policy
Bob Bailey – MPP, Sarnia-Lambton
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
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March 6, 2023

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier@ontario.ca

Re: Support Bill 5 - Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, at its regular meeting held on March 6, 2023 passed the following resolution:

"That Chatham-Kent Council express its support for Bill 5 - Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act which would require the code of conduct for municipal Councillors and members of local boards to include a requirement to comply with workplace violence and harassment policies and permit municipalities and local boards to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a member's seat if the Commissioner's inquiry determines that the member has contravened this requirement;

And further that this resolution be circulated to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Honourable Stephen Blais, and local MPPs."

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Judy Smith at ckclerk@chatham-kent.ca

Sincerely,



Judy Smith, CMO
Director Municipal Governance/Clerk

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Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Local MPPs
Ontario Municipalities



Judy Smith
Director of Municipal Governance/Clerk
Municipality of Chatham-Kent
ckclerk@chatham-kent.ca

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May 31, 2023

RE: Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

Dear Ms. Smith,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting of April 17, 2023, the Township of Limerick Council passed the following motion, supporting the resolution from the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs.

Motion 051-2023

Moved by Councillor Glenn Locke

Seconded by Councillor Shawn Pack

That Council support item '9.2.2' of correspondence from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding reducing municipal insurance costs.

Carried

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at clerk@township.limerick.on.ca.

Best Regards,

Victoria Tisdale
Clerk-Treasurer
Township of Limerick

cc. Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities

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March 6, 2023

To All Ontario Municipalities

Resolution re Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, at its regular meeting held on March 6, 2023 passed the following resolution:

"Whereas Chatham-Kent has faced multiple double digit increases to insurance premiums over the past years;

And Whereas the costs on insurance are having a significant impact on municipal budgets in Chatham-Kent and around the Province;

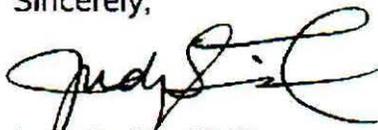
Now Therefore, Council direct administration to engage with other municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and any other relevant municipal associations, to determine what tools may be available to reduce insurance costs, including cooperative purchasing of insurance, creation of a municipal reciprocal insurance provider, or legislative changes to address insurance costs to municipalities.

And administration report back to Council regarding the result of this engagement and any recommended Council resolutions to support improvements to municipal insurance in Ontario.

Further that administration be directed to forward this motion to all other municipalities in Ontario seeking support and collaboration on this issue."

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Judy Smith at ckclerk@chatham-kent.ca

Sincerely,



Judy Smith, CMO
Director Municipal Governance/Clerk

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The Honorable Peter Bethlenfalvy
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May 31, 2023

RE: Municipalities Retaining Surplus Proceeds from Tax Sales

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting of April 17, 2023, the Township of Limerick Council passed the following motion, supporting the resolution from the Council of the Town of Essex regarding Municipalities Retaining Surplus Proceeds from Tax Sales.

Motion052-2023

Moved by Councillor Grace Hamm

Seconded by Councillor Jan MacKillican

That Council support item '9.2.5' of correspondence from the Town of Essex regarding Municipalities Retaining Surplus Proceeds from Tax Sales.

Carried

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at clerk@township.limerick.on.ca.

Best Regards,

Victoria Tisdale
Clerk-Treasurer
Township of Limerick

cc. Ric Bresee – MPP, Hastings-Lennox and Addington
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Honourable Steve Clark

March 22, 2023

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
College Park 17th Floor, 777 Bay Street
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RE: The Reinstatement of Legislation Permitting a Municipality to Retain Surplus Proceeds from Tax Sales

Dear Honourable Steve Clark,

At its Regular Council Meeting held on March 6, 2023, Mayor Bondy brought forward a Notice of Motion for Council's consideration regarding the reinstatement of previous legislation permitting a municipality to retain surplus proceeds from tax sales. It was discussed that, prior to being repealed by the Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Legislation Act, 2017, Section 380(6) of the Municipal Act, 2001 allowed for a municipality to retain surplus proceeds from tax sales within their jurisdiction. It was further noted that the Public Tax Sale process is burdensome to a municipality who invest a considerable amount of time and money recovering these proceeds for the potential sole benefit of the Crown in Right of Ontario.

As a result of this discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

R23-03-081

Moved by: Mayor Bondy

Seconded by: Councillor Allard

That Council direct Administration to send a letter to all relevant taxation bodies, including the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, the Ministry of Finance, Essex County Council, MPP Anthony Leardi, Association of the Municipalities of Ontario and all other municipalities in Ontario urging them to re-instate previous legislation that permitted a Municipality to apply for and retain the surplus proceeds from a tax sale in their jurisdiction.

Carried

I trust you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

Shelley Brown

Acting Clerk

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c.c. Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance

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Please be advised that Council passed the following resolution at the May 3rd meeting:

Motion re: 'Women of Ontario Say No' support Bill 5 Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act

WHEREAS 'Women of Ontario Say No' support Bill 5 Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act; and

WHEREAS municipally elected leaders do not have an appropriate accountability structure when it comes to perpetrating violence and harassment in the workplace; and

WHEREAS a fundamental, underlying principle of broadening diversity, equity and inclusion in politics rests on the assumption that the workplace is safe; and

WHEREAS Bill 5, the Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act would require Councillors to comply with the workplace violence and harassment policies of the municipality they represent, permit municipalities to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a member's seat for failing to comply with the municipality's

workplace violence and harassment policies as well as restrict officials whose seat has been vacated from seeking immediate subsequent re-election; and

WHEREAS over 50 municipalities have formally endorsed and communicated public support for Bill 5; and

WHEREAS Bill 5 would both hold accountable and protect all municipal officials.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville expresses its support for all and their right to participate in a political environment that is free from misogyny and harassment, and where everyone feels equal; and

THAT the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville commits to taking steps to ensure that our political environment is inclusive and welcoming to all individuals, regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or other identity factors; and

THAT the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville encourages other municipalities in Ontario and across Canada to join us in supporting all and promoting gender equality in all areas of society; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to all Ontario Municipalities for endorsement, the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Markham Stouffville MP and MPP, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to express the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville commitment to this issue and encourage action at the provincial level to create legislation to ensure equality, safety, and security for all; and

THAT Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville express its support for Bill 5, known as 'Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act'.

Regards,

Respecting Your Right To Disconnect – If your normal working hours are not the same as mine, please feel free to wait until your core business hours to provide me with a response.



MONICA BEATTIE, GDPA

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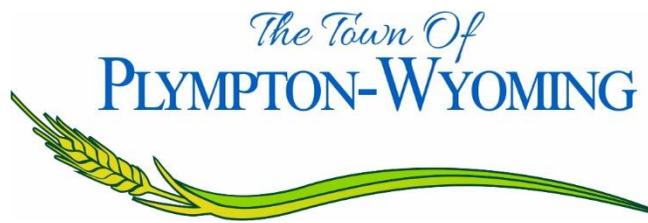
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The Honourable Steve Clark
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Re: Removing Addresses on Municipal Election Forms

Dear Minister Clark,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on May 10th 2023, the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion, supporting the resolution from the Council of the Region of Waterloo regarding Removing Addresses on Municipal Election Forms.

Motion 13

Moved by Councillor Kristen Rodrigues

Seconded by Councillor Mike Vasey

That Council support item 'M' of correspondence from the Region of Waterloo regarding Removing Addresses on Municipal Election Forms.

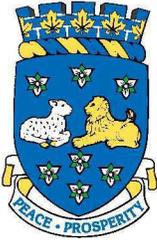
Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at dgiles@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Denny Giles
Deputy Clerk
Town of Plympton-Wyoming

cc: Rebekah Harris, Research/Administrative Assistant to Council, Region of Waterloo
Bob Bailey – MPP, Sarnia-Lambton
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Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario
Ontario Public School Boards' Association
Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association
All Ontario Municipalities



April 24, 2023

Area Members of Provincial Parliament
Sent via email

Dear Area Members of Provincial Parliament:

Re: Councillor J. Erb Notice of Motion

Please be advised that the Council of the Regional Municipality of Waterloo at their regular meeting held on April 19, 2023, approved the following motion:

WHEREAS the Municipal Elections Act requires all individuals wishing to be a candidate in a municipal or school board election to file Nomination Paper - Form 1 with the municipal clerk;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Elections Act requires all candidates who sought election to a municipal council or school board to file Financial Statement – Auditor’s Report Candidate – Form 4 with the municipal clerk;

AND WHEREAS Form 1 requires candidates to provide their qualifying address;

AND WHEREAS Form 4 requires candidates to list the name and home address of any donor contributing over \$100.00

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Elections Act specifies that these documents are not protected by the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and requires the municipal clerk to make Form 4 available on a website;

AND WHEREAS there has been concern expressed about those who hold public office and those who support them that they have been the subject of unnecessary attention and excessive scrutiny;

AND WHEREAS the requirement to publish the personal home address of donors to specific candidates may discourage individuals from

engaging in the democratic process to elect municipal and school board politicians.

THEREFORE, BE RESOVLED THAT the Regional Municipality of Waterloo calls on the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for the Province of Ontario to protect the privacy of candidates and donors by removing the requirement for their street name, number and postal code to be listed on publicly available forms.

AND FURTHER THAT for verification purposes, the addresses of all candidates and all donors over \$100 be submitted to the municipal clerk on separate forms that are protected by the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will not be published.

AND FINALLY, that this resolution be forwarded to the Area Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario, the Ontario Public School Boards' Association, the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association, and all Ontario municipalities.

Please accept this letter for information purposes only. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Rebekah Harris, Research/Administrative Assistant to Council, at RHarris@regionofwaterloo.ca or 519-575-4581.

Regards,



William Short

Regional Clerk/Director, Council and Administrative Services

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cc: Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario
Ontario Public School Boards' Association
Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association
Ontario municipalities



Moved By

Councillor Miriam Mutton

Last Name Printed

Mutton

Resolution No.:

175-23

Seconded By

Last Name Printed

Council Date:

May 23, 2023

WHEREAS at the Regular Council meeting on May 23, 2023, Council considered a Resolution from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming, regarding support for the for the Council of the Region of Waterloo relating to Removing Addresses on Municipal Election Forms;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT support the City of Waterloo resolution to protect the privacy of the candidates and donors and reflects the direct support of the Waterloo Resolution and references the Plympton-Wyoming resolution.



Catalina Blumenberg - Clerk
Prince Edward County
clerks@pecounty.on.ca

DEVLIVERED VIA EMAIL

May 31, 2023

RE: Proposed Changes to the Provincial Policy Statement

Dear Ms. Blumenberg,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting of May 15, 2023, the Township of Limerick Council passed the following motion, supporting the resolution from the Council of the Corporation of Prince Edward County regarding Changes to the Provincial Policy Statement.

Motion 068-2023

Moved by Councillor Jan MacKillican

Seconded by Councillor Grace Hamm

That Council direct staff to issue a letter of support to Prince Edward County regarding the Provincial Policy Statement.

Carried

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at clerk@township.limerick.on.ca.

Best Regards,

Victoria Tisdale
Clerk-Treasurer
Township of Limerick

cc. Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities
Ric Bresee – MPP Hastings-Lennox and Addington

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May 10, 2023

Please be advised that during the Regular Council meeting of May 9, 2023 the following resolution regarding the proposed new Provincial Planning Statement (PPS) was carried:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-293

DATE: **May 9, 2023**

MOVED BY: **Councillor Hirsch**

SECONDED BY: **Councillor MacNaughton**

WHEREAS the goal of increasing housing supply and reducing barriers in planning processes as set out in the recent legislative, regulatory and policy changes, including new provisions from Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 is welcomed;

WHEREAS the proposed PPS (sections 2.6 and 4.3) would dramatically remove municipal power and renders aspects of the County's Official Plan, and other official plans throughout Ontario inoperative, terminating some local planning autonomy, and directly interfering with municipalities' ability to meet local variation and unique community needs;

WHEREAS the proposed PPS changes that would allow proliferation of lots with protection restricted to specialty crop areas only diminishes the purpose, uses, and integrity of rural and agricultural lands, thereby removing protection and restricting future uses of those lands;

WHEREAS the proposed PPS changes encourage sprawl and rural roadway strip development, rather than more fiscally and environmentally sustainable practices like intensification in established settlement areas; and

WHEREAS the province has announced changes will be proposed to natural heritage (section 4.1) that have yet to be published;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward urges the province to:

- pause proposed changes to the PPS, particularly regarding natural heritage (section 4.1) and agricultural lands (sections 2.6 and 4.3)

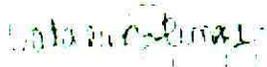
- reinvest trust in the local planning authority of all 444 municipalities, recognizing that each Ontario municipality has unique landscapes, different housing needs and differing visions for local planning matters;

THAT our fellow municipalities be urged to voice their concerns regarding the proposed undermining of local planning authority;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to all 444 municipalities, The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; The Hon. Lisa Thompson, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, The Hon. David Piccini, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Bay of Quinte MPP, Todd Smith, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus.

CARRIED

Yours truly,



Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

cc: Mayor Ferguson, Councillor Hirsch, Councillor MacNaughton & Marcia Wallace, CAO



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May 24, 2023

By email

Premier Doug Ford
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
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Honorable Premier:

RE: Resolution Passed by Woolwich Township Council – Support of Bill 5, the Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act

This letter is to inform you that the Council of the Township of Woolwich passed the following resolution at their meeting held on May 16, 2023:

THAT the Council of the Township of Woolwich considering a resolution passed by the Township of Montague and other municipalities in Support of Bill 5, the Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, endorse the resolution as follows:

WHEREAS municipally elected leaders do not have an appropriate accountability structure when it comes to perpetrating violence and harassment in the workplace; and

WHEREAS a fundamental, underlying principle of broadening diversity, equity and inclusion in politics rests on the assumption that the workplace is safe; and

WHEREAS Bill 5, the Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act would require Councillors to comply with the workplace violence and harassment policies of the municipality they represent, permit municipalities to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a member's seat for failing to comply with the municipality's workplace violence and harassment policies as well as restrict officials whose seat has been vacated from seeking immediate subsequent re-election; and

WHEREAS over 20 municipalities have formally endorsed and communicated public support for Bill 5; and

WHEREAS Bill 5 would both hold accountable and protect all municipal officials;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Woolwich express its support for Bill 5, the Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act; and further

THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the local MP, the local MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario municipalities.

Should you have any questions, please contact Dolores Black, by email at dblack@woolwich.ca or by phone at 519-669-6004.

Yours truly,



Jeff Smith
Municipal Clerk
Corporate Services
Township of Woolwich

cc. Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Region of Waterloo MPP
Ontario Municipalities

Corporate Support Committee Resolution

Committee Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Agenda Item: 7.c

Resolution Number: 2023-05-02 309

Moved by: M. Martin

Seconded by: S. Dibb

Council Meeting Date: May 17, 2023

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"**That** the Corporate Support Committee, having considered the correspondence from the Municipality of Trent Lakes and Township of Lake of Bays regarding 'Municipal Oath of Office', recommend that County Council support the correspondence; and

Further That the Committee recommend that County Council direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario), the Honourable Steve Clark (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing), the Honourable David Piccini (Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and MPP for Northumberland - Peterborough South), Alderville First Nation, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and to all Ontario Municipalities."

Carried  _____
 Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated _____
 Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred _____
 Committee Chair's Signature

Council Resolution

Moved By B. Ostrander

Agenda
Item 10

Resolution Number
2023-05-17- 343

Seconded By J. Logel

Council Date: May 17, 2023

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Committee Name	Item #	Description	Held By
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And Further That the items listed above and held for separate discussion each require a separate resolution."

Recorded Vote
Requested by _____
Councillor's Name

Carried David Martin
Warden's Signature

Deferred _____
Warden's Signature

Defeated _____
Warden's Signature



760 Peterborough County Road 36, Trent Lakes, ON K0M 1A0 Tel 705-738-3800 Fax 705-738-3801

February 28, 2023

Via email only

To: The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
minister.mah@ontario.ca
The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
doug.fordco@pc.ola.org
The Honourable Dave Smith, MPP Peterborough-Kawartha
dave.smithco@pc.ola.org
The Honourable Michelle Ferreri, MP Peterborough-Kawartha
michelle.ferreri@parl.gc.ca
Curve Lake First Nation
audreyp@curvelake.ca
The Association of Municipalities Ontario
amo@amo.on.ca

Re: Oath of Office

Please be advised that during their Regular Council meeting held February 21, 2023, Council passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. **R2023-119**

Moved by Councillor Franzen
Seconded by Deputy Mayor
Armstrong

Whereas most municipalities in Ontario have a native land acknowledgement in their opening ceremony; and

Whereas a clear reference to the rights of Indigenous people is the aim of advancing Truth and Reconciliation; and

Whereas Call to Action 94 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada called upon the Government of Canada to replace the wording of the Oath of Citizenship to include the recognition of the laws of Canada including Treaties with Indigenous Peoples; and

Whereas on June 21, 2021 an Act to amend The Citizenship Act received royal assent to include clear reference to the rights of Indigenous peoples aimed at advancing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action within the broader reconciliation framework; and

Whereas the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada outlines specific calls to action for municipal governments in Canada to act on, including education and collaboration;

Therefore be it resolved that Council request to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing that the following changes be made to the municipal oath of office: I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Charles III and that I will faithfully observe the laws of Canada including the Constitution, which recognizes and affirms the Aboriginal and treaty rights of First Nations, Inuit and Metis peoples; and further

That this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), all Ontario municipalities, MPP Dave Smith, MP Michelle Ferreri, Premier Doug Ford and Curve Lake First Nation.

Carried.

Sincerely,

Mayor and Council of the Municipality of Trent Lakes

Cc: All Ontario municipalities

March 14, 2023

Via email: clerk@trentlakes.ca

Municipality of Trent Lakes
Attn: Jessie Clark/Clerk
760 Peterborough County Road 36
Trent Lakes ON K0M 1A0

**RE: Resolution of Support for Municipality of Trent Lakes – re: Resolutions
regarding an Oath of Office, dated February 28, 2023**

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted correspondence was presented at the last regularly scheduled Council meeting on March 14, 2023, and the following resolution was passed.

“Resolution TC-68-2023

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays receives and supports the attached resolution from the Municipality of Trent Lakes requesting changes to the municipal Oath of Office, dated February 28, 2023

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to all Ontario Municipalities, Muskoka Area Indigenous Leadership Table (MAILT), MPP Graydon Smith, MP Scott Aitchison, and the Premier of Ontario.

Carried.”

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Municipal Office at 705-635-2272.

Sincerely,



Carrie Sykes, *Dipl. M.A., CMO, AOMC*,
Director of Corporate Services/Clerk
CS/lv

Copy to: Premier of Ontario
Local members of the Provincial Parliament
Municipalities in Ontario
Muskoka Area Indigenous Leadership Table

Encl: Municipality of Trent Lakes Resolution R2023-119



760 Peterborough County Road 36, Trent Lakes, ON K0M 1A0 Tel 705-738-3800 Fax 705-738-3801

February 28, 2023

Via email only

To: The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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Carried.

Sincerely,

Mayor and Council of the Municipality of Trent Lakes

Cc: All Ontario municipalities

Finance & Audit Committee Resolution

Committee Meeting Date: May 2, 2023

Agenda Item: 7.a

Resolution Number: 2023-05-02- 323

Moved by: B. Ostrander

Seconded by: M. Martin

Council Meeting Date: May 17, 2023

"That the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered Correspondence from City of Owen Sound, Town of Plympton-Wyoming, and Town of Cobourg regarding 'Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs', recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario), the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy (Minister of Finance), the Honourable Steve Clark (Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing), the Honourable David Piccini (Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and MPP for Northumberland - Peterborough South), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and to all Ontario Municipalities."

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Defeated _____
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Council Resolution

Moved By B. Ostrander

Agenda
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Resolution Number
2023-05-17- 343

Seconded By J. Logel

Council Date: May 17, 2023

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Staci Landry, Deputy Clerk
City of Owen Sound
808 2nd Avenue East
Owen Sound, ON N4K 2H4



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Email: slandry@owensound.ca
Website: www.owensound.ca

April 4, 2023

Via email

To All Ontario Municipalities

Re: Support for Municipality of Chatham-Kent's Resolution re Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

City Council, at its meeting held on March 27, 2023, considered the above-noted matter and passed Resolution No. R-230327-009 as follows:

"WHEREAS escalating insurance costs are one of this Council's Advocacy Priorities in the 2022-2023 Intergovernmental Action Plan;

AND WHEREAS at the January 12, 2023 Corporate Services Committee meeting, staff presented Report CR 23-008 that highlighted the City's annual insurance premiums have increased from \$782,331 to \$1,281,512 from 2020 to 2023, representing an accumulated increase of 64% over this period;

AND WHEREAS the annual increases to the City of Owen Sound's insurance premiums have been one of the most significant constraints in limiting yearly tax levy increases over the past four years;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council directs staff to send a letter to all other municipalities in Ontario supporting the Municipality of Chatham-Kent calling for action to reduce insurance costs;

AND THAT the City Manager have staff participate in any groups that may be formed through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) or directly with other municipalities to support this effort;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the AMO, Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Steve Clark, Attorney General, Doug Downey, MPP for Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, Rick Byers, Premier Doug Ford, and MPP Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party and Leader of the Opposition."

Staci Landry, Deputy Clerk
City of Owen Sound
808 2nd Avenue East
Owen Sound, ON N4K 2H4



Telephone: 519-376-4440 ext. 1235
Facsimile: 519-371-0511
Email: slandry@owensound.ca
Website: www.owensound.ca

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Staci Landry".

Staci Landry
Deputy Clerk

cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General
Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound
Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party and Leader of the
Opposition
Association of Municipalities of Ontario



Judy Smith
Director Municipal Governance/Clerk
Municipality of Chatham-Kent
ckclerk@chatham-kent.ca

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

March 31st 2023

Re: Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

Dear Ms. Smith,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on March 29th 2023, the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion, supporting the resolution from the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs.

Motion 12

Moved by Councillor Mike Vasey

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Netty McEwen

That Council support item 'L' of correspondence from the Municipality of Chatham-Kent regarding Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at dgiles@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Denny Giles
Deputy Clerk
Town of Plympton-Wyoming

cc: Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities

March 6, 2023

To All Ontario Municipalities

Resolution re Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, at its regular meeting held on March 6, 2023 passed the following resolution:

“Whereas Chatham-Kent has faced multiple double digit increases to insurance premiums over the past years;

And Whereas the costs on insurance are having a significant impact on municipal budgets in Chatham-Kent and around the Province;

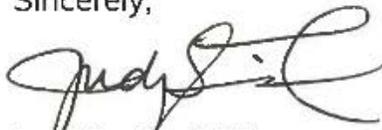
Now Therefore, Council direct administration to engage with other municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and any other relevant municipal associations, to determine what tools may be available to reduce insurance costs, including cooperative purchasing of insurance, creation of a municipal reciprocal insurance provider, or legislative changes to address insurance costs to municipalities.

And administration report back to Council regarding the result of this engagement and any recommended Council resolutions to support improvements to municipal insurance in Ontario.

Further that administration be directed to forward this motion to all other municipalities in Ontario seeking support and collaboration on this issue.”

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Judy Smith at ckclerk@chatham-kent.ca

Sincerely,



Judy Smith, CMO
Director Municipal Governance/Clerk

C AMO



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBOURG

The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg
Legislative Services Department
Victoria Hall
55 King Street West
Cobourg, ON K9A 2M2

Brent Larmer
Municipal Clerk/
Director of Legislative Services
Telephone: (905) 372-4301 Ext. 4401
Email: blarmer@cobourg.ca
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SENT VIA EMAIL

April 17, 2023

To all Ontario Municipalities

Re: Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

At a meeting held on April 11, 2023, the Municipal Council of the Town of Cobourg approved the following Resolution #116-23:

Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

Moved by Councillor Miriam Mutton

Seconded by Councillor Randy Barber

WHEREAS at the Regular Council meeting on April 11, 2023, Council considered correspondence from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming regarding the reduction of Municipal Insurance Costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to send a letter of support regarding the reduction of Municipal Insurance Costs to all municipalities in Ontario.

084-23

Carried

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at blarmer@cobourg.ca or by telephone at (905)-372-4301 Ext. 4401.

Sincerely,

Brent Larmer
Municipal Clerk/Director of Legislative Services
Returning Officer
Legislative Services Department





Moved By	<u>Councillor Miriam Mutton</u>	Resolution No.:
Last Name Printed	MUTTON	116-23
Seconded By	<u>Councillor Randy Barber</u>	Council Date:
Last Name Printed	BARBER	April 11, 2023

WHEREAS at the Regular Council meeting on April 11, 2023, Council considered correspondence from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming regarding the reduction of Municipal Insurance Costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to send a letter of support regarding the reduction of Municipal Insurance Costs to all municipalities in Ontario.



Judy Smith
Director Municipal Governance/Clerk
Municipality of Chatham-Kent
ckclerk@chatham-kent.ca

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

March 31st 2023

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Motion 12

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Seconded by Deputy Mayor Netty McEwen

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Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at dgiles@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Denny Giles
Deputy Clerk
Town of Plympton-Wyoming

cc: Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities

March 6, 2023

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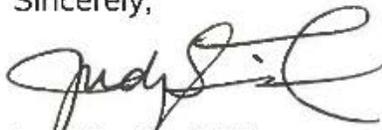
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Sincerely,



Judy Smith, CMO
Director Municipal Governance/Clerk

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Moved By	Councillor Miriam Mutton	Resolution No.: 179-23
Last Name Printed	Mutton	
Seconded By	Councillor Aaron Burchat	Council Date: May 23, 2023
Last Name Printed	Burchat	

WHEREAS at the Regular Council meeting on May 23, 2023, Council considered a Resolution from the Town of Lincoln, regarding the Municipal Heritage Register;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Town of Lincoln's resolution on the Municipal Heritage Register.



4800 SOUTH SERVICE RD.,
BEAMSVILLE, ON L3J 1L3
905-563-2799

May 10, 2023

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

RE: Town of Lincoln Council Resolution – Municipal Heritage Register

Please be advised that Council of the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln at its Council Meeting held on May 8, 2023, passed the following motion:

Resolution Number: RC-2023-58

Moved by: Councillor Lynn Timmers; Seconded by Councillor JD Pachereva

WHEREAS the Municipal Heritage Register is an important tool for the recognition, preservation and protection of cultural heritage properties within the Town of Lincoln and throughout the Province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Heritage Register allows municipalities to regulate demolition on properties protected under section 27 of the Ontario Heritage Act, to allow for evaluation of potential heritage value or significance, thereby ensuring that their potential cultural heritage value is preserved for future generations;

AND WHEREAS listing a property on the Municipal Heritage Register recognizes a property's potential cultural heritage value, and is generally less complex, time-consuming, and economically burdensome to local municipalities than pursuing the designation of a property as outlined within the existing process, which requires extensive research and documentation;

AND WHEREAS the new legislative requirements of the Ontario Heritage Act associated with Bill 23 mandate assessment of all properties on the

Municipal Heritage Register within two years, resulting in need for an unreasonable amount of resources and major budget implications for a local municipality within the short 2-year timeline;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Lincoln has 247 listed properties on the Municipal Heritage Register; and

AND WHEREAS the new requirement to remove the listed property after 2 years leaves resources exposed, and unprotected for up to 5 years;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Lincoln addresses this resolution to the government of the Province of Ontario, affirming the importance of the Municipal Heritage Register and its role in preserving the cultural heritage of municipalities throughout the Province;

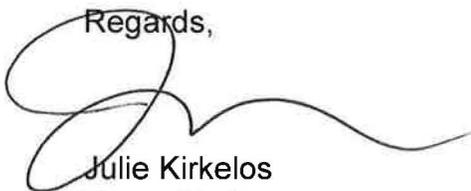
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Council of the Town of Lincoln encourages the government of the Province of Ontario to maintain the previous provisions of Section 27 of Ontario Heritage Act which promote the retention and expansion of the Municipal Heritage Register, keeping listed properties on the registry indefinitely, rather than for a maximum of 2 years in order to provide adequate time for the municipality to consider the heritage value of properties and, if necessary, initiate the designation process, before they may be demolished, and allowing properties to be re-listed within an unlimited timeframe; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Council of the Town of Lincoln circulate this resolution to the municipalities of Ontario for endorsement and circulation to the Province.

CARRIED

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Regards,



Julie Kirkelos
Town Clerk
jkirkelos@lincoln.ca

JK/dp

c.c. All Municipalities of Ontario



Moved By Councillor Miriam Mutton
Last Name Printed Mutton

Resolution No.:
180-23

Seconded By _____
Last Name Printed _____

Council Date:
May 23, 2023

WHEREAS at the Regular Council meeting on May 23, 2023, Council considered a Resolution from the City of Cambridge, regarding Highway Traffic Act Amendments;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the request of City of Cambridge to amend the Highway Traffic Act

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**The Corporation of the City of Cambridge
Corporate Services Department
Clerk's Division
The City of Cambridge
50 Dickson Street, P.O. Box 669
Cambridge ON N1R 5W8
Tel: (519) 740-4680 ext. 4585
mantond@cambridge.ca**

May 10, 2023

Re: Highway Traffic Act Amendments

Dear Ms. Mulronev,

At the Council Meeting of May 9, 2023, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge passed the following Motion:

WHEREAS speeding on our roads is a major concern in our community,

AND WHEREAS speeding can occur in all areas of our community,

AND WHEREAS barriers and delays to enforcement pose a danger to our community,

AND WHEREAS our municipality has limited resources to implement speed mitigation road design and re-design,

AND WHEREAS our local police service has limited resources to undertake speed enforcement,

AND WHEREAS s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) provides that Automated Speed Enforcement systems (ASE) may only be placed in designated community safety zones and school safety zones,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City of Cambridge request that the Ontario Government amend s.205.1 of the HTA to permit municipalities to locate an ASE system permanently or temporarily on any roadway under the jurisdiction of municipalities and as determined by municipalities and not be restricted to only community safety zones and school safety zones;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local area MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities.

Should you have any questions related to the approved resolution, please contact me.

Yours Truly,



Danielle Manton
City Clerk

Cc: (via email)
Steve Clark, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Local Area MPPs
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of The Town of Amherstburg

May 29, 2023

VIA EMAIL

The Honourable Caroline Mulroney
Minister of Transportation
5th Floor, 777 Bay Street
Toronto, ON M7A Z8
Email: Caroline.Mulroney@pc.ola.org

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Re: Support for Highway Traffic Amendments

Dear Hon. Minister Mulroney

Please be advised that, at its meeting of May 23, 2023 the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Amherstburg resolved as follows:

*That correspondence received from the City of Cambridge regarding Highway Traffic Act Amendments, **BE SUPPORTED.***

A copy of the resolution from the City of Cambridge is enclosed for your reference.

Regards,



Sarah Sabihuddin
Deputy Clerk, Town of Amherstburg
(519) 736-0012 ext. 2216
ssabihuddin@amherstburg.ca

cc.
The Honourable Steve Clark – Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing
Anthony Leardi MPP – Essex
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities

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Danielle Manton
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May 16, 2023

Via Email: minister.mto@ontario.ca

The Honourable Caroline Mulroney
Minister of Transportation
5th Floor, 777 Bay Street
Toronto, ON M7A Z8

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Notes/Comments:	

Dear Ms. Mulroney:

Re: Highway Traffic Act Amendments

Please be advised that, at its meeting of May 23, 2023 the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne resolved as follows:

That correspondence received from the City of Cambridge regarding Highway Traffic Act Amendments, be supported.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden
City Clerk

cc.
The Honourable Steve Clark – Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing
Jeff Burch, MPP – Niagara Center
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities



**The Corporation of the City of Cambridge
Corporate Services Department
Clerk's Division
The City of Cambridge
50 Dickson Street, P.O. Box 669
Cambridge ON N1R 5W8
Tel: (519) 740-4680 ext. 4585
mantond@cambridge.ca**

May 10, 2023

Re: Highway Traffic Act Amendments

Dear Ms. Mulronev,

At the Council Meeting of May 9, 2023, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge passed the following Motion:

WHEREAS speeding on our roads is a major concern in our community,

AND WHEREAS speeding can occur in all areas of our community,

AND WHEREAS barriers and delays to enforcement pose a danger to our community,

AND WHEREAS our municipality has limited resources to implement speed mitigation road design and re-design,

AND WHEREAS our local police service has limited resources to undertake speed enforcement,

AND WHEREAS s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) provides that Automated Speed Enforcement systems (ASE) may only be placed in designated community safety zones and school safety zones,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City of Cambridge request that the Ontario Government amend s.205.1 of the HTA to permit municipalities to locate an ASE system permanently or temporarily on any roadway under the jurisdiction of municipalities and as determined by municipalities and not be restricted to only community safety zones and school safety zones;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local area MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities.

Should you have any questions related to the approved resolution, please contact me.

Yours Truly,



Danielle Manton
City Clerk

Cc: (via email)
Steve Clark, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Local Area MPPs
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities

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P.O. Box 209
Englehart, ON P0J 1H0

Emailed: premier@ontario.ca

May 25, 2023

Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Legislative Assembly of Ontario
111 Wellesley St. W
Toronto, ON M7A 1A2

Dear Premier Ford,

Re: Support – Bill 5 – *Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act*

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Evanturel, at the regular council meeting of May 24, 2023, resolved to express its support for Bill 5 – *Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act*.

Find enclosed a true copy of Township of Evanturel Resolution No. 7 passed in open council May 24, 2023, authorizing this support.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Virginia Montminy".

Virginia Montminy
Clerk
THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF EVANTUREL

Encl:

- c.c. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing – *emailed*
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) - *emailed*
- John Vanthof – MPP – Timiskaming-Cochrane - *emailed*
- Ontario Municipalities - *emailed*

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Resolution of Council

Moved by: Councillor Beachey

Date: May 24, 2023

Seconded by: Councillor Belanger

Resolution No: 7

WHEREAS elected leaders of municipalities do not have an appropriate accountability structure when it comes to perpetrating violence and harassment in the workplace;

AND WHEREAS a fundamental, underlying principle of broadening diversity, equity and inclusion in politics rests on the assumption that the workplace is safe;

AND WHEREAS Bill 5 – *Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act* would require Councillors to comply with the workplace violence and harassment policies (the Policies) of the municipality they represent, permit municipalities to direct the Integrity Commissioner to apply to the court to vacate a member's seat for failing to comply with the Policies, and as well restrict officials whose seat have been vacated from seeking immediate subsequent re-election;

AND WHEREAS Bill 5 would both hold accountable and protect all municipal officials;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Evanturel hereby resolves to express its support for Bill 5 – *Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act*;

AND FURTHER that this resolution be directed to the Premier of Ontario, and sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); John Vanthof – MPP Timiskaming-Cochrane; and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried 

Derek Mundle - Reeve

DIVISION VOTE

YEAS	NAME OF MEMBER OF COUNCIL	NAYS
	BARBARA BEACHEY, COUNCILLOR	
	GISELE BELANGER, COUNCILLOR	
	ROB MACPHERSON, COUNCILLOR	
	JOHN SIMMENS, COUNCILLOR	
	DEREK MUNDLE, REEVE	
	TOTALS	

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest – Report to Council TWP2019-05 – Form A – Reeve Mundle ___; Councillor

Certified to be a true copy of Resolution No. 7 of the Corporation of the Township of Evanturel passed in open Council on the 24th day of May, 2023.


Virginia Montminy – Clerk
Township of Evanturel

From: Janet Maguire <jmaguire@johnsontownship.ca>

Sent: May 26, 2023 3:54 PM

To:

Subject: Bill 5

Hi

This is to inform you that on May 24, 2023 The Corporation of The Township of Johnson passed Res: 87-2023 moved by Councillor J. Kern and second by Councillor E. Aelick-Junor that they support Bill 5 Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, and encourages other Municipalities in Ontario and across Canada to join us in supporting all and promoting gender equality and women in all areas of society.

Thank you

Janet

705-782-6601 ext 201

jmaguire@johnsontownship.ca



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Janet Maguire
Clerk/CAO
Johnson Township



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May 24th, 2023

**The Honourable David Lametti, PC, MP
 Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada
 284 Wellington Street
 Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6**

via email and mail

Dear Mr. Lametti,

The Council of the County of Lanark wishes to express its support for legislative measures to help first responders from violence, particularly those found in Bill C-321.

Paramedics and other first responders provide an essential and valuable service in our community and often subject to increased levels of violence due to the nature of their jobs.

It is essential that all levels of government unite to demonstrate the importance of the safety and well-being of all first responders.

Sincerely,



Jasmin Ralph, Clerk
 613-267-4200 ext. 1502

Cc: All Ontario Municipalities
 Association of Municipalities of Ontario



The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
premier@ontario.ca

DELIVERED VIA EMAIL

May 29th 2023

Re: Bell-Hydro Infrastructure

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on May 24th 2023, the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion, supporting the resolution from the Council of the Municipality of Tweed regarding Bell-Hydro Infrastructure.

Motion 10

Moved by Councillor Kristen Rodrigues

Seconded by Councillor John van Klaveren

That Council support item 'K' of correspondence from the Municipality of Tweed regarding Bell-Hydro Infrastructure.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at dgiles@plympton-wyoming.ca.

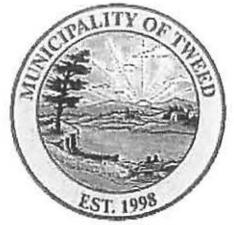
Sincerely,

Denny Giles
Deputy Clerk
Town of Plympton-Wyoming

cc: Bob Bailey – MPP, Sarnia-Lambton
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Bell Canada
Hydro One
All Ontario Municipalities

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Municipality of Tweed Council Meeting
Council Meeting



Resolution No.

328.

Title:

Proposed Resolution Re: Bell-Hydro Infrastructure

Date:

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Moved by

J. Palmateer

Seconded by

J. DeMarsh

WHEREAS poles are essential for deployment of telecommunication and hydro networks across the Province of Ontario;

AND WHEREAS the coordination of pole infrastructure between stakeholders is necessary to limit duplication of servicing infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission recently set expediated timelines for large telephone companies to provide competitors with access to poles to roll out networks more efficiently leading to more competition across Canada;

AND WHEREAS provincial and territorial government are being encouraged to coordinate with service providers and other stakeholders to facilitate sound network deployment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of Tweed calls on the Province of Ontario to facilitate, coordinate, and regulate pole deployment measures across the Province of Ontario to prevent unnecessary duplication of pole infrastructure;

AND FURTHER, that the Province of Ontario encourage Bell Canada and Hydro One to work together to provide access for poles to better service the infrastructure needs of Ontarians;

AND FURTHER, that this motion be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), MPP Ric Bresee, all Ontario Municipalities for support, Bell Canada, Hydro One.

Carried

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CLEARVIEW

May 31, 2023

C00.2023

Premier of Ontario
 Legislative Building
 Queens Park
 Toronto, ON, M7A 1A4

Re: Declaring Intimate Partner Violence an Epidemic

Please be advised that Council of the Township of Clearview, at its meeting held on May 29, 2023, passed a resolution supporting the correspondence/resolution from Prince Edward County regarding declaring intimate partner violence an epidemic:

Moved by Councillor Broderick, Seconded by Councillor Dineen, Whereas the jury that adjudicated the Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk and Nathalie Warmerdam Inquest (The Renfrew Inquest) issued 86 recommendations to the Province of Ontario on Intimate Partner Violence; and

Whereas recommendation #1 of the Inquest is for the Province of Ontario to declare Intimate Partner Violence an epidemic; and

Whereas every six days in Canada a woman is killed by her intimate partner, and rural areas see an increased risk of Intimate Partner Violence; and

Whereas this past year in Ontario, 52 women or one every week, were victims of femicide, and in Prince Edward County, 233 domestic violence investigations in 2022 were led by the OPP, and service provision by Alternatives for Women was provided to over 100 women and their children per year in the community; and

Whereas violence against women costs the national justice system, health care systems, social service agencies, and municipalities billions of dollars per year; and municipalities are on the front lines in addressing gender-based violence; and

Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward has recognized that issues of violence against women in rural communities are of local importance to the health and wellness of our residents, and has demonstrated this by including it as a pillar in our Community Safety and Well-Being Plan;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Clearview recognizes that:



CLEARVIEW

- the Renfrew Inquest is important to all rural communities;
- Council is committed to engaging with community partners to educate and support our residents about the seriousness and long-term consequences of gender-based violence in our community; and,

That the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Clearview declares, in accordance with Recommendation #1 of the Renfrew Inquest, that Intimate Partner Violence and Violence Against Women are epidemic; and

Be It Further Resolved That this resolution be circulated to all 444 municipalities of Ontario, The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Hon. Charmaine A. Williams, Associate Minister of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity, Simcoe Grey MPP, Brian Saunderson, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. Motion Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Regards,

Sasha Helmky, B.A., Dipl. M.A., AOMC
Clerk/Director of Legislative Services

cc: All Ontario Municipalities
The Hon. Charmaine A. Williams
Brian Saunderson, MPP Simcoe-Grey
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Federation of Canadian Municipalities



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RYERSON

Date: May 30, 2023

Resolution Number: R- 101 - 23

Moved by: Councillor Abbott

Seconded by: Councillor Patterson

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WHEREAS some proponents of water aerodromes claim federal jurisdiction to bypass provincial and municipal authorities and build massive docks and boathouses under the guise of the Aeronautics Act;

AND WHEREAS Transport Canada does not require proponents of water aerodromes to follow the same registration and certification procedures as land aerodromes;

AND WHEREAS Transport Canada's current regulations for water aerodromes fail to state that mixed-use docks and structures are not permitted;

AND WHEREAS Transport Canada does not require a proponent to be transparent with local authorities about their intentions or submit a building permit and final construction plans;

AND WHEREAS Transport Canada does not require a proponent to provide the municipality with a copy of the water aerodrome registration or certification documents;

AND WHEREAS Registration and certification of water aerodromes are done without environmental impact assessments from provincial and municipal authorities;

AND WHEREAS Registration and certification of water aerodromes are done without safety assessments from local authorities;

AND WHEREAS Transport Canada's loopholes in the regulations lead to lengthy court battles paid by provincial and municipal jurisdictions.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Ryerson supports efforts to raise awareness about the loopholes in current regulations regarding water aerodromes that allow proponents to build massive docks and boathouses without municipal consultation, approval, or adherence to bylaws and regulations.

AND FURTHERMORE, The Council of the Township of Ryerson endorses the letter from the Three Mile Lake Community Club Inc. and calls on Transport Canada to:

- Amend current legislation regarding water aerodromes to require mandatory consultation and transparency with provincial and municipal authorities prior to construction.

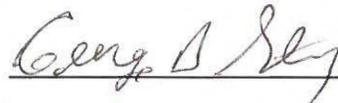
- State that 'mixed-use' docks and structures will not be permitted

AND FURTHERMORE, the Council of the Township of Ryerson urges all mentioned in this resolution to support petition e4364 to the Minister of Transport, Omar Alghabra.

Petition e-4364 - Petitions (ourcommons.ca)

AND FURTHERMORE, be it resolved that this resolution be forwarded to neighbouring municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), MP Scott Aitchison, MP Marcus Powlowski (Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, Ontario), Graydon Smith MPP.

Carried Defeated



 (Chair Signature)

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by: _____

RECORDED VOTE					
Vote called by Clerk in random order, Chair to vote last					
Members of Council		Yea	Nay	Abstention	Absent
Councillors	Beverly Abbott				
	Glenn Miller				
	Delyne Patterson				
	Dan Robertson				
Mayor	George Sterling				

Subject: Support Resolution Request: Water Aerodromes

Hello,

Throughout the years, our municipality has had several water aerodrome owners and pilots. Currently, one resident owns both a water aerodrome and a land aerodrome. The municipality and our residents, have never had an issue with either until recently. This new case is quite different for the following reasons:

- The proponent did not consult with provincial and municipal authorities, did not obtain a building permit, and has refused to reveal his final construction plans.
- The proponent did not disclose his true intentions to his neighbours, the lake association, or the municipality.
- The dock is massive - made of structural steel, and more significant in size and weight than any dock in Armour Township.
- The dock is intended for mixed-use – two boat slips - which does not support the core competency of the Aeronautics Act.
- The proponent does not own a float plane.

The Three Mile Lake Community Club within the Township of Armour also continues to discuss this situation with Transport Canada. There have also been media reports [What's up dock? Water aerodrome construction raises concerns in Armour \(northbaynipissing.com\)](http://northbaynipissing.com) and there is an active petition to the Canadian Parliament [Petition e-4364 - Petitions \(ourcommons.ca\)](http://ourcommons.ca)

Please support the attached resolution and call on Transport Canada to amend current legislation regarding water aerodromes to require mandatory consultation and transparency with provincial and municipal authorities prior to construction and to state that 'mixed-use' docks and structures will not be permitted.

We ask that you also support Petition e-4364 – Petition to the Minister of Transport. It is open for signature until June 25, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Watt

Deputy Clerk, Dipl.M.M.
Township of Armour
PO Box 533, 56 Ontario Street
Burk's Falls, Ontario P0A 1C0
Telephone: 705-382-3332
Fax: 705-382-2068

Website: www.armourtownship.ca

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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

DURHAM AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

May 9, 2023

A meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 in Meeting Room 1-A, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 7:30 PM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

1. Roll Call

Present: T. Barrie, Clarington, attended the meeting at 7:33 PM
Z. Cohoon, Member at Large, Chair
N. Guthrie, Ajax
B. Hulshof, Uxbridge
G. O'Connor, Member at Large, attended the meeting at 7:34 PM
D. Risebrough, Member at Large, Vice-Chair
H. Schillings, Member at Large
M. Shiers, Durham Region Federation of Agriculture
B. Smith, Uxbridge, Vice-Chair
M. Somerville, Member at Large
D. Stevenson, Oshawa
N. Swain, Scugog
G. Taylor, Pickering
T. Watpool, Brock, attended the meeting at 7:33 PM
W. Wotten*, Regional Councillor
*** denotes members of the Committee participating electronically**

Absent: R. Death, Whitby

Staff

Present: A. De Vos, Program Specialist, Department of Planning and Economic Development
S. Jibb, Manager, Agricultural & Rural Economic Development, Department of Planning and Economic Development
R. Inacio, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT
M. Scott, Project Planner, Department of Planning and Economic Development
K. Smith, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Election of Officers for 2023

K. Smith called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

Moved by D. Risebrough, Seconded by B. Smith,
That Zac Cohoon be nominated for the position of Chair of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

K. Smith asked if there were any further nominations and if Z. Cohoon wished to stand. Z. Cohoon indicated he would stand.

Moved by N. Guthrie, Seconded by G. Taylor,
That nominations be closed.

CARRIED

Z. Cohoon was acclaimed as the Chair of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

K. Smith called for nominations for the position of First Vice-Chair of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

Moved by B. Smith, Seconded by H. Schillings,
That Dave Risebrough be nominated for the position of First Vice-Chair of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

K. Smith asked if there were any further nominations and if D. Risebrough wished to stand. D. Risebrough indicated he would stand.

Moved by Z. Cohoon, Seconded by N. Guthrie,
That nominations be closed.

CARRIED

D. Risebrough was acclaimed as the First Vice-Chair of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

K. Smith called for nominations for the position of Second Vice-Chair of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

Moved by D. Risebrough, Seconded by G. Taylor,
That Bryan Smith be nominated for the position of Second Vice-Chair of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

K. Smith asked if there were any further nominations and if B. Smith wished to stand. B. Smith indicated he would stand.

Moved by Z. Cohoon, Seconded by H. Schillings,
That nominations be closed.

CARRIED

B. Smith was acclaimed as the Second Vice-Chair of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

Z. Cohoon assumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

4. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by H. Schillings, Seconded by D. Risebrough,
That the minutes of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting
held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, be adopted.

CARRIED

5. Presentations

A) Lindsey Narraway, Supervisor, Animal Services, City of Pickering – Backyard Chickens in Pickering

Lindsey Narraway, Supervisor, Animal Services, City of Pickering, provided a presentation with regards to Backyard Chickens in Pickering.

L. Narraway advised that the Council of the City of Pickering adopted a resolution in February 2023 requesting staff to investigate urban farming, backyard chicken farms, and vertical farming. She stated that staff have prepared a report which will be considered at Pickering Council on June 5, 2023 with recommendations to not allow backyard chickens in the City of Pickering. She provided a brief overview of the points raised in the report to support their recommendation.

L. Narraway requested the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee's support of the City of Pickering's recommendation to not proceed with a backyard chicken pilot program.

Discussion ensued with regards to the number of egg farms in Durham Region; concerns for health, safety and bio security for those producing chickens; the impact if chickens are infected by avian influenza; providing a letter of support to City of Pickering; and, the possibility of a member of the Committee delegating to the City of Pickering with their concerns.

H. Schillings indicated he would submit a delegation request to the City of Pickering to speak on this topic.

Moved by D. Risebrough, Seconded by B. Smith,
That we recommend to the Planning and Economic Development
Committee for approval and subsequent recommendation to Regional
Council:

That the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee is in support of the City of Pickering's resolution to not proceed with a backyard chicken pilot program, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the area municipalities.

CARRIED

B) Michael Scott, Project Planner, Durham Region Planning and Economic Development Department – DAAC Welcome and Overview

Michael Scott, Project Planner, Durham Region Planning and Economic Development Department provided a PowerPoint presentation with regards to Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee Welcome and Overview.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Agenda
- Introductions
- Overview of DAAC
- Committee Structure
- DAAC Chair and Vice-Chair
- DAAC Terms of Reference
- DAAC Workplan
- Committee Staff
- Regional Planning Division Roles and Responsibilities
- Planning in Ontario
- Responsibilities of Regional Planning
- Current Initiatives
- 2023 Farm Tour
- 2023 Meeting Dates
- Other Matters

M. Scott welcomed members to the inaugural meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee (DAAC) for 2023.

A. De Vos invited members of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee to introduce themselves and provide a brief overview of their background and their farm, business, or experience with agriculture.

Members of the committee were provided with the Growing Agri-Food Durham booklet and were encouraged to join the Farm Tour sub-committee.

Staff responded to questions with regards to the farm tour and who is invited to the farm tour each year.

6. Discussion Items

A) Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update

S. Jibb provided the following update:

- The Durham Region development charge by-law is currently being reviewed and the comment period has closed. There have been staff level discussions regarding the potential for amendments to the agriculture uses and farm building definitions to support on-farm diversified uses..

A. De Vos provided the following update:

- The development charges are expected to increase by 80%.
- There is a webinar being delivered by the Ontario Farmland Trust on May 17, 2023 at 12:00 PM and they will be outlining the Provincial policies being proposed and the impacts to agriculture.
- Local Food Week is taking place the week of June 5th and will highlight the Village of Newcastle as the apple capital of Canada.

Discussion ensued with regards to when the development charges by-law is being presented to Council; the charge for development charges on agricultural buildings; non-residential development charges between Durham Region and area municipalities; the closing date for comments on the development charges by-law; providing a delegation to Regional Council; and concerns about the definition of on-farm diversified uses.

Moved by D. Risebrough, Seconded by G.L. O'Connor,
That the following be referred to staff for consideration during the preparation of the final report on the Development Charges By-law:

That the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee is requesting that on-farm diversified uses be considered under the agricultural exemption in the development charges by law.

CARRIED

B) Avian Influenza and Backyard Chickens

S. Jibb advised there is no further avian influenza and backyard chickens update at this time.

C) DAAC Workplan and Terms of Reference 2023

M. Scott and S. Jibb provided a brief overview of the changes implemented in the 2023 Workplan.

Committee members suggested providing a yearly update on the Growing North Durham Plan; changing the wording in the workplan of "Commercial Fill" to state "Commercial fill, excess topsoil and excess soil"; and removing COVID-19 impacts and recovery from the workplan.

M. Scott responded to a question with regards to whether the Duffins Rouge Agricultural Preserve falls under the jurisdiction of Durham Region.

Moved by B. Smith, Seconded by H. Schillings,
That we recommend to the Planning and Economic Development
Committee for approval and subsequent recommendation to Regional
Council:

That the Draft 2023 Workplan of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee, as
amended, be adopted.

CARRIED

Further discussion ensued with regards to the composition of the Committee and
adding one member representing Durham Farm Fresh. Discussion also ensued
with respect to adding a youth member to the Committee.

Moved by B. Smith, Seconded by G.L. O'Connor,
That we recommend to the Planning and Economic Development
Committee for approval and subsequent recommendation to Regional
Council:

That the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee Terms of Reference be
amended under Composition to add one (1) member representing Durham Farm
Fresh who is a bona fide farmer directly involved in the agricultural industry.

CARRIED

D) Bill 97 – Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023 – Provincial Policy
Statement and A Place to Grow Review

Information Report #2023-INFO-29 of the Commissioner of Planning and
Economic Development – Provincial Consultation on Bill 97 – The Helping
Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023, and the Proposal Provincial Planning
Statement, ERO Postings #019-6821, #019-6822, #019-6813 was provided as
Attachment #2 to the Agenda and received.

M. Scott advised that the following changes are being proposed under Bill 97:

- That Minister's Zoning Orders are changing to allow the Minister the ability to exempt subject lands from complying with Provincial policy and Official Plans.
- That boundary expansions are no longer required to be considered through a Municipal Comprehensive Review (MCR).
- The new Provincial Policy Statement has eliminated the requirement of alternative evaluations for both settlement area expansions and mineral aggregate extraction rehabilitation.
- That Agriculture System mapping is no longer a requirement, but rather encouraged.
- That planning authorities "should consider" whether the applicable lands comprise specialty crop areas.

- That rural lots, outside the Greenbelt Plan Area will be changing to allow for two new residential units subordinate to principal dwelling and three residential lots from the existing agricultural parcel.
- That the 2023 Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) is proposing to remove the current PPS direction for the promotion of recreation, tourism, and other economic opportunities on rural lands.

Discussion ensued with regards to the number of severances allowed on non-abutting farmlands; services being provided to rural areas; when the comment period for Bill 97 ends; and preparing a motion to oppose the approval of Bill 97.

Moved by M. Somerville, Seconded by D. Risebrough,
That we recommend to the Planning and Economic Development
Committee for approval and subsequent recommendation to Regional
Council:

That the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee strongly opposes Bill 97 as it does not consider the impact of severances on Minimum Distance Separations in relation to animal operations; and it encourages farmland fragmentation which will negatively impact long-term farm environmental and economic sustainability.

CARRIED

E) 2023 Farm Tour Sub-Committee Report

D. Risebrough provided a brief overview of the events for the 2023 farm tour for the new Committee members. He advised that an on-site visit needs to be arranged prior to the next meeting date.

It was the consensus of the Committee that N. Swain be added to the Farm Tour Sub-Committee.

7. Information Items

A) Notice of Special Meeting of Durham Regional Council for Final Draft Regional Official Plan

Advertisement for Notice of Special Meeting of Durham Regional Council for the recommended final draft Durham Regional Official Plan was provided as Attachment #3 to the Agenda and received.

M. Scott advised that the final draft Regional Official Plan will be presented to Regional Council at the Special Meeting of Regional Council on May 17, 2023 and that once it is approved it will be provided to the Province for approval. He further advised there were minor changes to the agricultural rural system chapter, modified farm definitions, and lot sizing requirements.

M. Scott responded to a question with regards to the policy for on-farm diversified uses on agricultural lands.

8. Other Business

A) Livestock Identification and Traceability

Z. Cohoon raised concerns with regards to proposed changes to Part XV of the Health of Animals Regulations and the changes with respect to who is registering the livestock. He advised that the comment period is open until June 16, 2023.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 starting at 7:30 PM.

10. Adjournment

Moved by M. Somerville, Seconded by B. Hulshof,
That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:49 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Z. Cohoon, Chair

K. Smith, Committee Clerk