



The Regional Municipality of Durham

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There are no Durham Municipalities Correspondence

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Members of Council – Please advise the Regional Clerk at clerks@durham.ca by 9:00 AM on the Monday one week prior to the next regular Committee of the Whole meeting, if you wish to add an item from this CIP to the Committee of the Whole agenda.



The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Social Services
Report: #2017-INFO-120
Date: November 10, 2017

Subject:

Update “The Journey Together – Enhancing Indigenous Early Years Learning In Durham Region” Report

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to share this final document with Regional Council.

2. Background

- 2.1 In the fall of 2016, the Ministry of Education put out a request for Consolidated Municipal Service Managers to work collaboratively with Indigenous lead groups to review child care and early year’s programs (off reserve) in their Regions.
- a. The Ministry provided \$44,000 in one time 100% provincial funding in order to fund activities as required to develop this report and recommendations for developing Indigenous child care and early learning programs off reserve. Report #2017-COW-48.
- 2.2 Durham’s Journey Together Project was led by Indigenous researchers with the research design and implementation driven by Durham’s Aboriginal community. In 2016, the Bawaajigewin Aboriginal Community Circle (BACC) was formed and incorporated. A community needs assessment titled “Gathering Our Voices” created in 2016 was used to inform this Journey Together Process.
- 2.3 It is important to note that Durham’s Aboriginal community (First Nations, Status, Non-Status, on and off reserve, Metis, and Inuit) often prefer the term “Aboriginal” while Durham’s municipal services uses the term “Indigenous” to align with provincial and federal terminology. As such, Indigenous and Aboriginal are used

interchangeably throughout the Journey Together report.

3. [The Journey Together Enhancing Indigenous Early Years Learning in Durham Region](#)

3.1 The report highlights four key recommendations:

- a. A centrally located land-based Indigenous Child Care and Early Years Centre of Excellence,
- b. Enhancing four existing early years sites to be designated as Indigenous Culture-based centres,
- c. Indigenous Early Years program support coordination,
- d. Training and Certification.

3.2 This report was submitted to the Ministry of Education by September 29, 2017, as required. The report is currently being reviewed and the Ministry may approve funding for advancement of recommendations outlined in the report. Children's Services staff will notify Council if any additional funding is allocated by the Ministry to enact the report recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by:

Dr. Hugh Drouin
Commissioner of Social Services



The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Corporate Services
Report: #2017-INFO-121
Date: November 10, 2017

Subject:

Bill 68 –*Modernizing Ontario’s Municipal Legislation Act, 2017*

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide updated information with respect to Bill 68, *Modernizing Ontario’s Municipal Legislation Act, 2017* (“Bill 68”) which includes amendments to the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, and several other Acts including the *Municipal Elections Act*. A separate report making recommendations is forthcoming.

2. Background

2.1 According to the Province, Bill 68 is intended to enhance municipal accountability and transparency, promote municipal fiscal sustainability and help to ensure responsive and flexible governments. Regional Council received a report in January, 2017, summarizing the proposed amendments in Bill 68 (Report #2017-COW-09).

2.2 The provincial government introduced Bill 68 on November 16, 2016. The Bill received Royal Assent on May 30, 2017.

2.3 Not all of the proposed provisions in Bill 68 were carried forward; there were a number of amendments made during Committee hearings which eliminated some of the original proposals. This report includes a brief outline of the final key legislative changes that impact the Region, and the proposed courses of action that will be required to be taken by Regional staff in Legislative Services and Legal. There are other matters contained within the legislation that may need to be actioned by other divisions.

- 2.4 Although the Bill has received Royal Assent, not all of the provisions in the Bill are in effect at this time. The Schedules in the Act will come into force as provided for in each Schedule, or by proclamation of the Lieutenant Governor, and proclamations may be issued at different times which will be a phased approach in terms of implementation. The amendments to the *Municipal Act* which affect meetings of Council are for the most part in force as of January 1, 2018, therefore the first course of action for the Region will be to update the Procedural By-law. A separate report on this is forthcoming.
- 2.5 There are 4 Schedules included in Bill 68 which amend various Acts that govern the public sector. Three (3) of these Schedules amend legislation that will impact the Region and its operations. These include:
- Amendments to the *Municipal Act, 2001*
 - Amendments to the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*; and
 - Amendments to Other Acts including the *Municipal Elections Act*.

3. Discussion

- 3.1 Attachments #1 to 3 list the key legislative changes, along with the corresponding action that Regional staff will take to help to ensure compliance with the legislation. The attachments also outline the enactment dates for the various provisions.
- 3.2 Since the Region has been proactive in implementing accountability and transparency measures including appointing an Integrity Commissioner and implementing a Council Code of Conduct, many of the required actions will be updates to internal policies, procedures, and by-laws that already exist.
- 3.3 The Region recently completed a Council composition review, and is well positioned for the mandatory reviews that have been introduced as part of Bill 68.
- 3.4 Staff are currently working on updating policies and procedures, with corresponding draft by-laws, that when introduced will be in-line with the legislation. By-laws facilitating the required changes shall be drafted to come into force at the time the corresponding Bill 68 provisions are proclaimed "in force".

4. Next Steps

- 4.1 As noted above, a complete list of the key revisions to the legislation resulting from Bill 68 can be found in Attachments #1 to 3. As the related action items are completed they will be presented to Regional Council for consideration along with a by-law to give effect to the proposed amendments, as required.
- 4.2 Any questions regarding this report may be directed to Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk/Director of Legislative Services, 905-668-7711 extension 2100.

5. Attachments

Attachment #1: Key amendments to the *Municipal Act, 2001*, along with the recommended courses of action and proclamation dates

Attachment #2 Key amendments to the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, along with the recommended courses of action and proclamation dates

Attachment #3 Key amendments to the *Municipal Elections Act*, along with the recommended courses of action and proclamation dates

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by:

D. Beaton
Commissioner of Corporate Services

Amendments to the Municipal Act, 2001

Legislative Provisions:

1. Integrity Commissioners and Codes of Conduct – proclaimed in force as of **March 1, 2019**

- a) Section 223.3 (1) of the Act is repealed and substituted with an expanded list of responsibilities of an Integrity Commissioner, as it relates to the application of the code of conduct for members of council and the code of conduct for members of local boards; the application of any procedures, rules and policies of the municipality and local boards governing the ethical behavior of members of council and local boards; the application of subsections 5.1 and 5.2 of the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* to members of council and local boards; requests for advice respecting obligations under the codes of conduct; requests for advice respecting obligations under a procedure, rule or policy of the municipality or of the local board governing the ethical behavior of members; requests for advice respecting obligations under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*; and providing educational information to members of council, members of local boards, the municipality and the public about the codes of conduct for council and local boards, and about the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.

For your information, Subsections 5.1 and 5.2 of the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* read as follows:

Written Statement re Disclosure

5.1 At a meeting at which a member discloses an interest under section 5, or as soon as possible afterwards, the member shall file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the clerk of the municipality or the secretary of the committee or local board, as the case may be.

Influence

5.2 (1) Where a member, either on his or her own behalf or while acting for, by, with or through another, has any pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in any matter that is being considered by an officer or employee of the municipality or local board, or by a person or body to which the municipality or local board has delegated a power or duty, the member shall not use his or her office in any way to attempt to influence any decision or recommendation that results from consideration of the matter.

Required Action:

- The Appointment By-law for the Integrity Commissioner will need to be updated to reflect the expanded role of the Integrity Commissioner as it pertains to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act;
 - The Council Code of Conduct will need to be updated to reflect the expanded role of the Integrity Commissioner as it pertains to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act;
 - The Code of Conduct policies and procedures will be updated to include the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* provisions; and the need for requests for advice regarding their obligations from members of Council or local boards to be made in writing; and
 - Staff will recommend an educational training program for Council, staff and the public as it relates to obligations under the Code of Conduct.
- b) New subsections 223.3 (6) and (7) require municipalities to indemnify Integrity Commissioners or any other persons acting under the instructions of that officer for costs reasonably incurred in connection with the defence of certain proceedings.

Required Action:

- Indemnification will need to be provided to the Integrity Commissioner; and
 - The contract between the Integrity Commissioner and the Region will need to be updated to reflect this change.
- c) A new section 223.4.1 sets out rules that apply if a Commissioner conducts an inquiry, on application from an elector, as defined in the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, or a person demonstrably acting in the public interest, concerning an alleged contravention of section 5, 5.1 or 5.2 of the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.

Required Action: The Council Code of Conduct will need to be updated.

- d) Other related amendments are made to sections 223.3, 223.4 and 223.5. Certain rules apply with respect to inquiries and other matters during regular elections including the termination of investigations if they have not been completed prior to nomination day; the inquiry can be recommenced if within six weeks after voting day the person or entity who made the request makes a written request to the Integrity Commissioner. Also, from nomination day to voting day there shall be no requests for an inquiry about whether a member of council or of a local board has contravened the Code of Conduct, and the Integrity Commissioner shall not report to the municipality or local board about whether, in his or her opinion, a member of council or of a local board has contravened the applicable code of conduct.

Required Action: The Council Code of Conduct will need to be updated to reflect the rules regarding inquiries during elections.

- e) Amendments are made to section 223.2 of the Act to require municipalities to establish codes of conduct for members of council and of local boards.

Required Action:

- Codes of conduct will need to be established for local boards of the Region including the Transit Commission, Transit Executive Committee and the Durham Region Local Housing Corporation Board; and
- Codes of conduct may also be established for Advisory Committees of the Region to provide a uniform and clearer approach to accountability and transparency.

- f) The minister may prescribe by Regulation subject matters that a municipality is required to include in a code of conduct [223.2(4)]

Required Action: To be determined should regulations be enacted.

- g) A new subsection 223.3 (1.1) of the Act requires municipalities that have not appointed an Integrity Commissioner to make arrangements for all of the responsibilities listed in subsection 223.3 (1) to be provided by a Commissioner of another municipality.

Required Action: This is not applicable at this time as the Region has appointed an Integrity Commissioner.

- h) A new subsection 223.3 (1.2) of the Act requires municipalities that have appointed an Integrity Commissioner but have not assigned functions with respect to one or more of the responsibilities set out in subsection 223.3 (1), to make arrangements for those responsibilities to be provided by a Commissioner of another municipality.

Required Action: N/A

2. Meetings – proclaimed in force as of January 1, 2018

- a) The definition of “meeting” in subsection 238 (1) of the Act, which applies to sections 238 to 239.2, is re-enacted to mean any regular, special or other meetings of council, or of certain local boards or committees, where a quorum is present and where members discuss or otherwise deal with matters in a way that materially advances the business or decision making of the relevant body.

Required Action: The Procedural By-law will need to be updated to include the re-enacted definition of “meeting”.

- b) A new subsection 238 (3.1) states that a Procedure by-law may provide that a member of council, of a local board or of a committee of either of them, can participate electronically in a meeting which is open to the public.

Required Action: The Procedural By-law may be updated to include provisions for electronic participation at meetings subject to Council’s direction.

- c) A new subsection 238 (3.2) of the Act provides that a procedure by-law shall not provide that a member of council, of a local board or of a committee of either them, can participate electronically in a meeting which is closed to the public. [see subsection 189 (1)]

Required Action: The Procedural By-law may be updated to include provisions for electronic participation at meetings subject to Council’s direction.

- d) Section 239 (2) of the Act is amended to add four new discretionary Closed Meeting exceptions including:

- (h) information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them;
- (i) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice

significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization;

- (j) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial or financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value; or
- (k) a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board.

Required Action:

- The Procedural By-law will need to be updated to include the additional Closed Meeting exceptions; and
- The Closed Meeting Protocol will need to be updated to include the additional Closed Meeting exceptions.

- e) A new section 268 of the Act permits a local municipality to appoint an alternate member when a person who is a member of both the local council and upper-tier council is unable to attend a meeting of the upper-tier council.

Required Action: Discussions are being held with the area clerks with respect to policies for appointing an alternate member to attend Regional council meetings in order to ensure consistency in this regard. A report will be brought back to Council for information on this matter. The decision to appoint is discretionary and up to the area municipality.

3. Absence of Head of Council – proclaimed in force as of May 30, 2017

- a) Section 242 of the Act is amended by striking out “as the case may be” at the end and substituting “as the case may be, with respect to the role of presiding at meetings”

Section 242 now reads: Absence of head – A municipality may, by by-law or resolution, appoint a member of the council to act in the place of the head of council or other member of council designated to preside at meetings in the municipality’s procedure by-law when the head of council or designated member is absent or refuses to act or the office is vacant, and while so acting such member has all the powers and duties of the head of council or designated member, as the case may be, with respect to the role of presiding at meetings

Required Action:

- The Procedural By-law will need to be updated; and
- The Acting Regional Chair By-law will need to be updated (By-law 56-2014).

4. Closed Meeting Investigations – proclaimed in force as of **January 1, 2018**

- a) A new subsection 239.2 (12) of the Act requires a municipality or a local board to pass a resolution stating how it intends to address a report from a person referred to in clause 239.1 (a) or (b) reporting his or her opinion that a meeting or part of a meeting that was the subject of an investigation by that person appears to have been closed to the public contrary to section 239 or to a procedure by-law under subsection 238 (2).

Required Action:

- The Procedural By-law will need to be updated to include the requirement for Council to pass a resolution stating how it intends to deal with any recommendations made by a closed meeting investigator when it was determined that a meeting was closed contrary to the *Act* or the Procedural By-law; and
- The Closed Meeting Investigation Process will be updated (By-law 80-2007).

5. Council Vacancies – proclaimed in force as of **May 30, 2017**

- a) Section 259 of the Act currently sets out circumstances where a council member's office becomes vacant. A new subsection 259 (1.1) is added to provide that an office is not vacated due to absences related to pregnancy or the birth or adoption of the member's child.

Required Action: Council member attendance is currently tracked internally and a new policy will be presented to Council prior to March 1, 2019.

6. Policy Development – proclaimed in force as of **March 1, 2019**

- a) Amendments are made to subsection 270 (1) of the Act to require a municipality to adopt and maintain policies with respect to the relationship between members of council and the officers and employees of the municipality, with respect to the protection and enhancement of the tree canopy and natural vegetation in the municipality and with respect to pregnancy and parental leaves of council members.

Required Action:

- A Council Staff Relations policy will be developed and presented to Council for consideration. Note: This may take the form of an integration of existing policies, or an acknowledgment of existing policies; and
- As stated previously, the policy with respect to pregnancy and parental leaves for council members will be developed.

7. Council Composition – proclaimed in force as of **January 1, 2018**

- a) Amendments are made to sections 218, 219 and 221 of the Act, and new sections 219.1, 219.2 and 219.3 are added, concerning how regional municipalities are able to change the composition of their councils. The amendments also require a regional municipality to review, for each of its lower-tier municipalities, the number of its members that represent the lower-tier municipality. Provisions are also included to permit the Minister to alter the composition of regional councils in certain circumstances.

Required Action: At this time no action is required. The Region previously committed to a regular review of Council composition. The next review by the Region will be required after the regular election in 2026.

8. Term of Office – proclaimed in force as of **May 30, 2017**

- a) Subsection 235 (1) is amended to change the beginning of the term of office from December 1 to November 15 in the year of a regular election. A transitional rule applies with respect to the 2018 regular election.

Required Action: All references to Regional Council's term of office will be updated following the 2018 municipal elections.

Amendments to the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

Legislative Provisions:

1. **Duties of Members** – proclaimed in force as of March 1, 2019

a) A new section 1.1 of the Act sets out the principles endorsed by the Province of Ontario in relation to the duties of members of councils and of local boards under the Act including:

- The importance of integrity, independence and accountability in local government decision-making.
- The importance of certainty in reconciling the public duties and pecuniary interests of members.
- Members are expected to perform their duties of office with integrity and impartiality in a manner that will bear the closest scrutiny.
- There is a benefit to municipalities and local boards when members have a broad range of knowledge and continue to be active in their own communities, whether in business, in the practice of a profession, in community associations, and otherwise. 2017, c. 10, Sched. 3, s. 1.

Required Action:

- The Council Code of Conduct may be amended so that the principles in the Code better align with those endorsed by the Province.
- b) Currently, section 5 of the Act sets out rules that apply if a member has a pecuniary interest in a matter and is present at a meeting where the matter is subject to consideration. A new subsection 5 (2.1) sets out special rules that apply where the matter under consideration is whether to impose a penalty on the member under subsection 223.4 (5) or (6) as follows:
- (2.1) The following rules apply if the matter under consideration at a meeting or a part of a meeting is to consider whether to suspend the remuneration paid to the member under subsection 223.4 (5) or (6) of the Municipal Act, 2001 or under subsection 160 (5) or (6) of the City of Toronto Act, 2006:
 - 1. Despite clauses (1) (b) and (c), the member may take part in the discussion of the matter, including making submissions to council or the local board, as the case may be, and may attempt

to influence the voting on any question in respect of the matter, whether before, during or after the meeting. However, the member is not permitted to vote on any question in respect of the matter.

- 2. Despite subsection (2), in the case of a meeting that is not open to the public, the member may attend the meeting or part of the meeting during which the matter is under consideration. 2017, c. 10, Sched. 3, s. 3.

Required Action:

- The Closed Meeting Protocol may be amended to reflect the rules that apply when the matter under consideration is whether to impose a penalty on the member.
- c) A new section 5.1 of the Act requires a member to file a written statement after the member discloses a pecuniary interest under section 5.

Required Action:

- A form will be developed for the use of Council Members to assist with the preparation of written statements; and
 - The Procedural By-law will need to be updated to reflect the need for members to file a written statement with the Clerk as soon as possible after making a declaration of interest.
- d) A new section 5.2 of the Act prohibits a member from influencing certain decisions or recommendations where the member has a pecuniary interest in the matter being considered.

Required Action:

- The Council Code of Conduct will need to be amended to better align with this new provision.

2. **Registries of conflicts/declarations** – proclaimed in force as of **March 1, 2019**

- a) New section 6.1 of the Act requires municipalities and local boards to establish and maintain registries that keep copies of statements filed under section 5.1 and of declarations recorded under section 6.

Required Action: A registry will be developed to retain the written statements submitted by members of Council and local boards, and to record the declarations made.

3. Alleged Contraventions of the Act – proclaimed in force as of **March 1, 2019**

- a) Sections 8, 9 and 10 of the Act currently set out rules governing court actions respecting alleged contraventions of the Act. Those sections are repealed and replaced with new rules that permit an elector, an Integrity Commissioner of a municipality or a person demonstrably acting in the public interest to make an application to a judge and that expand the range of consequences that may be imposed on a member by a judge.
- The new Section 9 (1) sets out penalties that may apply if the judge determines that a member or former member contravened Subsection 5.1 or 5.2 as follows:
 - Reprimand;
 - Suspend remuneration for a period of up to 90 days;
 - Declare the member's seat vacant;
 - Disqualify the member or former member from being a member during a period of not more than seven years after the date of the order; and
 - If the contravention has resulted in a personal financial gain, require the member or former member to make restitution to the party suffering the loss, or if the party's identity is not readily ascertainable, the municipality or local board as the case may be.

Required Action: The procedures relating to the Code of Conduct will be updated to reflect the new rules respecting alleged contraventions of the Act.

Amendments to the Municipal Elections Act

Legislative Provisions:

1. **Term of Office** – proclaimed in force as of May 30, 2017

- a) Subsection 6 (1) is amended to change the beginning of terms of all offices from December 1 to November 15 in the year of a regular election. A transitional rule applies with respect to the 2018 regular election. Section 94.2, which sets out the limitation period with respect to the prosecution of offences in relation to elections, is also amended to make consequential changes, including a transitional rule in relation to the 2014 regular election.

Required Action: Election administrative procedures will be updated for the 2022 election to reflect the changes.

2. **Nominations** – proclaimed in force as of April 1, 2018

- a) Section 33 currently sets out requirements relating to the nomination of a person for an office on a council of a municipality. Under provisions of that section that are not yet in force (April 2018), the nomination must be endorsed by at least 25 persons. Amendments are made to provide that the requirement, once in force, would not apply in a municipality if the number of electors is less than the prescribed number.

Required Action: Election administrative procedures have been updated to reflect the requirement for a nomination to be endorsed by at least 25 persons eligible to vote within the municipality.

3. **Campaign Contributions** – proclaimed in force as of May 30, 2017

- a) Section 88.9 is amended to increase the maximum contribution to a candidate from \$750 to \$1,200. A related amendment is made to section 88.22.

Required Action: The Region's Candidate's Guide is being updated to include the new contribution limits.

- b) New section 88.9.1 provides rules concerning the maximum amount that a candidate for an office of council and his or her spouse are permitted to make to the candidate's own election campaign.

Required Action: The Region's Candidate's Guide is being updated to include the new contribution limits.

- c) New section 33.0.2 requires the clerk of a municipality, upon the filing of a person's nomination, to give a certificate of the applicable maximum amount.

Required Action: Election administrative procedures have been updated.

4. Campaign Contributions – proclaimed in force as of **April 1, 2018**

- a) Section 88.13 is amended to increase the maximum contribution to a registered third party in relation to third party advertisements from \$750 to \$1,200. A related amendment is made to section 88.26.

Required Action: N/A - Registrations and financial filings for third party advertisers will be accepted and processed by the local area municipalities.



The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: #2017-INFO-122
Date: November 7, 2017

Subject:

Durham Tourism E-Newsletter - November 2017

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The Durham Tourism e-newsletter is a monthly snapshot of the tourism initiatives and activities across the Region of Durham. It serves as an environmentally-conscious, cost-effective marketing tool to promote economic development and tourism activity in Durham Region.

2. Background

2.1 The Durham Tourism e-newsletter was distributed to 8,460 subscribers in November 2017 with a 31% open rate. It is also posted on the Region's Economic Development website, and distributed via social media channels through the Corporate Communications office.

- View the [Durham Tourism e-newsletter](http://myemail.constantcontact.com/Discover-Durham-Region.html?soid=1101562300271&aid=spxedKuVUY8) online at <http://myemail.constantcontact.com/Discover-Durham-Region.html?soid=1101562300271&aid=spxedKuVUY8>

2.2 The Durham Tourism e-newsletter is produced in cooperation with Corporate Communications.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

B.E. Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP
Commissioner of Planning and
Economic Development



The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health
Report: #2017-INFO-123
Date: November 10, 2017

Subject:

Bill 174 - An Act to enact the Cannabis Act, 2017, the Ontario Cannabis Retail Corporation Act, 2017 and the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017, to repeal two Acts and to make amendments to the Highway Traffic Act respecting alcohol, drugs and other matters

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To summarize key aspects of [Bill 174](#), including the proposed Cannabis Act, 2017 which would, if passed, regulate the use and distribution of cannabis within the province of Ontario by July, 2018.
- 1.2 To provide recommendations to Council for Regional and Municipal action to prepare for legalization of recreational cannabis.

2. Background

- 2.1 In April 2017, the federal government introduced legislation to legalize and regulate recreational cannabis in Canada starting in July 2018.
- 2.2 Ontario has proposed legislation to build on the federal framework and to regulate the use and distribution of recreational cannabis.
- 2.3 The Durham Region Health Department has provided input to the province through its consultation process to inform development of the proposed legislation.

3. Current State

- 3.1 On November 1, 2017, Ontario introduced legislation that aims to regulate the use and distribution of recreational cannabis, once legalized on July 1, 2018. The proposed legislation would:
- a. Create a new provincial retailer, overseen by the Liquor Control Board of Ontario (LCBO), for the distribution of recreational cannabis through stand-alone stores and an online order service;
 - b. Set a minimum age of 19 to consume, purchase or possess recreational cannabis and for home cultivation;
 - c. Focus on harm reduction by allowing for the diversion of people under the age of 19 from the justice system into programs focused on education and prevention;
 - d. Ban the use of cannabis in public places, workplaces and vehicles and boats, similar to alcohol;
 - e. Introduce new provincial offences with strict, escalating penalties for illegal storefront dispensaries; and
 - f. Establish [tougher drug-impaired driving laws](#), including a zero-tolerance approach for young, novice and commercial drivers.
- 3.2 Under the proposed approach, approximately 150 standalone stores will be opened by 2020, including 40 stores by July 2018, rising to 80 by July 2019. Online distribution will also be available to service all regions of the province.
- 3.3 The province will pursue a coordinated and proactive enforcement strategy to shut down illegal cannabis storefronts and dispensaries.
- 3.4 Smoking, the use of medical cannabis, and the use of e-cigarettes, will be regulated under the new Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017, which will replace the Smoke-Free Ontario Act and the Electronic Cigarettes Act, 2015.
- 3.5 The Minister may, on behalf of the Crown, enter into an arrangement and agreement with a council of the band with respect to the sale, distribution, purchase, possession, consumption, cultivation, and propagation or harvesting of cannabis on a reserve.
- 3.6 Other details of Ontario's approach will be set by regulation, after passage of the legislation, following consultation with municipalities, Indigenous communities, and other stakeholders.
- 3.7 The Ministry of Finance and the LCBO have identified the following initial 14 Ontario municipalities intended for stand-alone cannabis stores by July 2018:
- a. Barrie
 - b. Brampton
 - c. Hamilton
 - d. Kingston

- e. Kitchener
- f. London
- g. Mississauga
- h. Ottawa
- i. Sault Ste. Marie
- j. Sudbury
- k. Thunder Bay
- l. Toronto
- m. Vaughan
- n. Windsor.

4. Proposed Regional and Municipal Action

- 4.1 The Region of Durham will continue to provide input to the province by participating in provincial consultation processes that will:
 - a. Inform locations of cannabis storefronts;
 - b. Determine the feasibility and implications of introducing designated establishments where recreational cannabis could be consumed; and
 - c. Inform the storefront rollout process.

- 4.2 The Region of Durham may take additional actions to prepare for the legalization of recreational cannabis in July 2018 by considering the modernization of Regional Municipality of Durham Bylaw 66 – 2002, for example, to include toking and vaping restrictions at entrances to Regional and Municipal buildings and/or property.

- 4.3 Regional and/or Municipal recommendations to the province should highlight the need for:
 - a. Financial assistance to recover municipal costs of implementing and enforcing the new legislation for legalized cannabis;
 - b. Financial assistance to implement a comprehensive prevention and harm reduction approach that promotes awareness of cannabis related harms and seeks to delay age of initiation amongst youth and young adults;
 - c. Regional/Municipal enforcement tools to support the closure of illegal storefronts; and
 - d. Consideration of the following sensitive uses, proximity and density measures related to cannabis retailers:
 - Child care centres
 - Post-secondary schools
 - LCBO stores
 - Gaming facilities, such as Great Blue Heron Casino in Scugog and Ajax Downs
 - Healthcare facilities, such as hospitals
 - Long-term care homes

- Recreation centres
- High priority neighbourhoods where there is a higher degree of crime or higher socioeconomic disparity. The Health Department's Health Neighbourhoods information can be found here:
https://www.durham.ca/health.asp?nr=/departments/health/health_statistics/health_neighbourhoods/index.htm
- Arcades, amusement parks, and other places where children and youth congregate
- Separation distances between retailers.

5. Financial Impact

5.1 Future financial impacts are yet to be determined.

6. Next Steps

6.1 The province will consult with municipalities regarding the process for siting storefront locations.

6.2 Once a store site has been identified, a notice will be posted online and at the location to ensure public notification and to provide opportunity for public feedback on the proposed location.

6.3 The province will consult with municipal partners, the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario and other organizations, including Indigenous communities and organizations, to explore the feasibility and implications of introducing designated establishments where recreational cannabis could be consumed.

6.4 A Regional staff team has been mobilized to discuss bylaw and tax opportunities at the Regional and/or Municipal level. The team includes representation from the CAO's Office, Finance, Health, Legal Services, Planning, Police Services, and Social Services. Its first meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

R.J. Kyle, BSc, MD, MHSc, CCFP, FRCPC, FACPM
Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health



The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Corporate Services and Commissioner & Medical
Officer of Health
Report: #2017-INFO-124
Date: November 10, 2017

Subject:

Mental Health and PTSD Supports for Region of Durham Paramedic Services (RDPS)

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 To inform Council of the Mental Health and PTSD supports in place for RDPS employees.

2. Mental Health Supports (available for all Regional employees)

Policies

2.1 The Region's Corporate Healthy Workplace Policy and Community Strategic Plan (2015-2019) both speak directly to valuing our employees and providing a healthy workplace, with a particular focus on mental health. Our Healthy Workplace philosophy requires attention to individual health practices, health and safety, and workplace culture including ensuring a psychologically safe workplace, complying with legislated safety requirements, applicable programs, industry standards and best practices, and taking every precaution reasonable to prevent workplace incidents, injuries and illnesses.

2.2 There are 7 Regional policies that speak to providing a respectful, compassionate, fair, healthy work environment that is supportive of employee productivity, dignity and self-respect and that protects employees from stigma and barriers to care and support:

- Employee Code of Conduct
- Harassment and Discrimination Prevention Policy and Program
- Workplace Violence Prevention Policy and Program
- Occupational Incident Reporting Program
- Workplace Safety Inspection Program
- Occupational Health and Safety Concern/Hazard Reporting Directive
- Joint Health and Safety Committee Program

Healthy Workplace (Wellness) Program

- 2.3 The Region has had a Healthy Workplace (Wellness) Program in place for about 15 years that is available to all employees, including Paramedics, and provides ongoing prevention and individual health practice education and support related particularly to fitness, nutrition and stress management.
- a. Many information and awareness sessions have been, and continue to be, put on for Regional employees, including Paramedics, related to Mental Health, Mental Health Supports, PTSD, and Reducing the Stigma around Mental Health. For example, Natalie Harris, a former Paramedic and author of Save-My-Life School: A first responder's mental health journey, will be speaking to a group of Regional employees, including Paramedics, on November 17th about her experience with Mental Health and PTSD.
 - b. The Region regularly tracks and monitors a number of healthy workplace indicators including: Departmental absenteeism rates and costs, Drug claims and cost trends, WSIB claims and cost trends, Sick Leave/STIPP and LTD claims and cost trends, Employee and Family Assistance Program (EAP) usage and trends, Extended Health and Dental claims and cost trends, Occupational Illness and Injury Report data and other such data, compares it to municipal benchmarks, and uses the data to target healthy workplace programming specific to the needs of our various employee groups. Health data summaries are provided annually to Department Heads and periodically to Council.

Disability Management

- 2.4 The Region has a professional and committed in-house Disability Management Team, along with supportive Accommodation policies and practices, to assist employees, including Paramedics, who have physical and/or mental health conditions and are temporarily or permanently disabled. Research and experience has demonstrated that early intervention, effective treatment and timely return to regular pre-injury activities contributes significantly and positively to an individual's recovery on the continuum from a mental injury/PTSD to a healthier psychological/coping state. Five examples of the practices used by the Disability Management Team are listed below:

- a. Where the condition is temporary, the aim is to restore the employee to their pre-disability position through a safe and timely return to work program of temporary work modification that is meaningful, productive and rehabilitative, either within their current role or through temporary placement in a non-paramedic role in another area of the organization.
- b. Where the condition, based on objective medical findings, is permanent, the Region accommodates the disabled employee's needs to the point of undue hardship and diligently searches for suitable permanent job placement outside of the employee's normal job class.
- c. The Region has a 'Core Committee' Process that ensures employees requiring temporary or permanent modified work due to a disability are given first priority for consideration for position vacancies.
- d. The Region employs the same consulting physician as Durham Region Police for case consultation support and referrals where appropriate.
- e. Prior to the passing of the presumptive WSIB legislation in 2016 re PTSD for First Responders and the WSIB Workplace Chronic Mental Stress Policy in 2017, the Region has been supportively case managing workplace stress and PTSD related claims for all employees through the Region's Sick Leave/STIPP and LTD programs, using best practice disability management practices and coordinating with the Region's benefits provider.

EAP

- 2.5 All Regional employees, including Paramedics, have 24/7 access to EAP through the Region's Social Services Department – Family Services Division. The EAP is a professional support program providing free and confidential counselling services, to employees and their dependents, for mental health difficulties, work related issues, addictions, family relationships, workplace stressors and stigma in the workplace. The Region's EAP is part of the Family Services EAP (FSEAP) network, a Canadian network of more than 1,000 Canadian locations that service over 5,000 corporate accounts; this network allows our employees to access EAP through the Region's Family Counsellors (who are well versed on mental health and PTSD proven treatment methods such as cognitive behaviour therapy, exposure therapy, and dialectical behaviour therapy) or through other independent providers who are part of the FSEAP network.

Additional Treatment Support

- 2.6 For many years now, the Region provides employees and their families, including Paramedics, with a \$2,000 per year per eligible person for Psychology treatment services through their employee benefits plan. As of June 2017, the Region voluntarily added Occupational Therapists (OT) and Social Workers (when related to mental health support/treatment) and Psychotherapists to the eligible providers that can be covered under this benefit – previous to that only the services of a Psychologist could be covered. This was done to help expand and expedite access to a variety of proven mental health and PTSD treatment options.

- 2.7 Over the last few months, members of the Region's Disability Management Team have had several discussions with two Paramedics, who are also CUPE union representatives, about ways to get Paramedics earlier access to treatment, when they are on waiting lists for a psychologist, psychiatrist, WSIB treatment providers, etc. as we recognize that individuals can be on these waiting lists for months before treatment becomes available. We have had much success with early treatment/intervention by Occupational Therapists and the Region is now piloting, on a trial basis, to cover the cost of an OT Assessment (outside of the Psychology benefit mentioned above) before the claim is approved by WSIB. We have seen first-hand how an OT has been effective in the assessment and treatment of Paramedics who are experiencing mental stress after experiencing a critical incident stressor on a call and how an OT's early intervention can help the Paramedic return to regular duties and/or improved quality of life even before WSIB gets involved in the worker's treatment. The Region's Disability Management Team and the Union have been collaborating on a communication that the union is planning to send out to all of the Paramedics regarding this pilot.

Training

- 2.8 Mental Health First Aid training has been available in-house to Regional employees, including Paramedics, for several years. Participants in this program learn how to provide initial help to people, including work colleagues, who are showing signs of a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis.

3. Additional Mental Health Supports (specific to RDPS)

Critical Incident Stress Management

- 3.1 RDPS has a Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) Program and Policy in place. CISM is a partnership between RDPS, Durham Region Police and Fire Services throughout Durham Region and has been in place for a number of years. Representatives from all Services are actively involved in the CISM Program, along with Mental Health Professionals, and provide support to members from all involved Services using a Debriefing and Peer Support model when a critical incident occurs.

Training

- 3.2 The Region and RDPS are committed to providing required and supportive ongoing learning and development for all staff. Three examples follow:
- a. RDPS Supervisors have basic training in PTSD;
 - b. A presentation from a former Paramedic (the founder of Tema Center) regarding PTSD stigma/prevention was also provided to the RDPS Chief, Deputy Chief and all Duty Superintendents; and

- c. In November 2016, RDPS, Corporate Services-Human Resources (CS-HR) and the union partnered to provide an in-house Train-the-Trainer Program to certify RDPS Management, RDPS Paramedics and CS-HR representatives, along with some representatives from other municipal emergency services, to be able to deliver the Road-to-Mental-Readiness (R2MR) Program. This program was then provided to all RDPS Management and Paramedics in the first half of 2017, mainly through the RDPS Continuing Education sessions. R2MR is a mental health education program, with a focus on PTSD that is widely used throughout policing, the military and other paramedic and emergency services and has a preventive element.

Difficult Call Follow-up

- 3.3 Since taking the R2MR training, RDPS Management have implemented changes with the Dispatch Center to ensure timely notification to management on a variety of different calls which allows for immediate follow up with the paramedic crew on those calls regarding their well-being. Upon speaking with the crew, the RDPS Superintendent in charge on that shift will then make a decision regarding the best action to take based on the individual circumstance. This may mean one employee is taken from service and the other may choose to continue on working. The CISM process may be initiated. Best practice indicates everyone responds differently and may require or prefer different forms of support following a difficult call.

PTSD Prevention Plan

- 3.4 Since March 2016, CS-HR representatives, RDPS Management representatives, CUPE 1764 representatives and one of the Region's Senior Solicitors (who supports CS-HR with labour law issues) have had several discussions re PTSD Prevention and collaborated on the development of the RDPS PTSD Prevention Plan. This Prevention Plan was prepared in response to the directive from the Minister of Labour and is a living document that remains open for discussion and input from all of the stakeholders and the intent is that it will evolve to meet the changing needs of the RDPS service and to respond to new learnings and developments related to mental health and PTSD prevention, support and treatment. The RDPS Prevention Plan was developed by carefully examining province-wide trends and services available and best practice research. We are committed to continuing to review and consider further preventive actions and supports, in partnership with the stakeholders, as demonstrated by the OT pilot mentioned above and the potential peer support program mentioned below.
- 3.5 As part of the development of the PTSD Prevention Plan, roles and responsibilities related to mental health/PTSD prevention, intervention, recovery and return to work were clarified for RDPS Senior Leadership, RDPS Managers and Supervisors, RDPS Paramedic Employees, the Union, the Joint Health and Safety Committee and Corporate Services – Human Resources.

3.6 In follow up to the PTSD Prevention Plan development, an all-day meeting was held on June 7th, 2017 for the RDPS Management, CS-HR, CUPE 1764 and RDPS Joint Health and Safety Committee representatives who had been involved in the ongoing discussions related to the development of the PTSD Prevention Plan. The PTSD Prevention Plan included a list of Mental Health/PTSD Prevention and Treatment Support Resources available to RDPS. Four of the many Mental Health/PTSD Resources from that list who attended on June 7th to present information on the supports available to paramedics through their organizations are:

- EAP;
- Homewood Health (a Canadian leader in mental health and addiction services, with expertise in specialized treatment for trauma and PTSD);
- Bellwood (another well renowned Canadian mental health and addiction services and treatment provider);and
- CBI (Occupational Therapist service providers).

Potential Peer Support Program

3.7 RDPS is looking to develop a peer support program and has been consulting with other paramedic services of a similar size and call volume to determine if they have implemented such programs and what costs have been associated with such programs. RDPS is currently in the process of having discussions with peer support organizers, including the Region's EAP Program representatives, to further explore the possibility of establishing a Peer Support Team.

4. Conclusion

4.1 In light of recent inquiries and delegations to Council related to Paramedic Mental Health and PTSD prevention and support, this information is being brought to your attention at this time.

4.2 Any questions regarding this report should be direct to Troy Cheseboro, Director/Chief RDPS, 905-665-6313 or Dara Barry, Director, Organization and Employee Services, CS-HR, 906-668-4113 extension 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner & Medical Officer of
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Don Beaton, BAS, MPA
Commissioner of Corporate Services



Interoffice Memorandum

Date: November 10, 2017

To: Committee of the Whole

From: Dr. Robert Kyle

Subject: Health Information Update – November 3, 2017

Health
Department

Please find attached the latest links to health information from the Health Department and other key sources that you may find of interest. Links may need to be copied and pasted directly in your web browser to open, including the link below.

You may also wish to browse the online Health Department Reference Manual available at [Health Department Reference Manual](#), which is continually updated.

Boards of health are required to “superintend, provide or ensure the provision of the health programs and services required by the [Health Protection and Promotion] Act and the regulations to the persons who reside in the health unit served by the board” (section 4, clause a, HPPA). In addition, medical officers of health are required to “[report] directly to the board of health on issues relating to public health concerns and to public health programs and services under this or any other Act” (sub-section 67.(1), HPPA).

Accordingly, the Health Information Update is a component of the Health Department’s ‘Accountability Framework’, which also may include program and other reports, Health Plans, Quality Enhancement Plans, Durham Health Check-Ups, Performance Reports, business plans and budgets; provincial performance indicators and targets, monitoring, compliance audits and assessments; RDPS certification; and accreditation by Accreditation Canada.

Respectfully submitted,

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UPDATES FOR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
November 3, 2017

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Media Releases/Advisories/Publications

<https://goo.gl/Mxm11h>

- Health Department recognizes Breast Cancer Awareness Month (Oct 10)

<https://goo.gl/c8mRhF>

- Break the chain of transmission during National Infection Control Week (Oct 11)

<https://goo.gl/PeHJrT>

- Blue-green algae still present at Kinsmen Beach (Oct 11)

<https://goo.gl/NzDWE6>

- Don't get caught without your flu shot (Oct 12)

<https://goo.gl/6cA5AT>

- Health Department to host Opioid Forum for local agencies to discuss concerns in Durham Region (Oct 25)

<https://goo.gl/RhcjUR>

- Health Department reports rabid bat found in Oshawa (Oct 27)

<https://goo.gl/MxDUjg>

- Health Department and local agencies participate in Opioid Forum to discuss current concerns in Durham Region (Oct 30)

<https://goo.gl/ZpB3D6>

- Health Department receives highest level of accreditation from Accreditation Canada (Oct 31)

<https://goo.gl/NyG9C6>

- Health Department promotes fall prevention this November (Nov 1)

FAX Abouts (on DurhamMD.ca – UserID: drhd; Password: health)

- Flu Vaccine Inventory Update (Oct 18)
- Influenza vaccine is now available for ordering for the general public! (Oct 24)
- It's Time to Fall Back! Change Your Batteries for the Fall! (Oct 31)
- Accredited Online Suicide Prevention Modules for Family Physicians and Nurses (Nov 1)
- "What's Up Doc?" Vol 10, No 3 (Nov 2)

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

Department of Finance Canada

<https://goo.gl/RgPMA2>

- Government Moves to Reduce Small Business Tax Rate and Support Fairness for the Middle Class (Oct 16)

Employment and Social Development Canada

<https://goo.gl/T4Svey>

- Government of Canada Strengthens Canada Child Benefit (Oct 25)

Environment and Climate Change Canada

<https://goo.gl/BGq2gL>

- Canadian environment ministers chart progress of actions on climate change and air quality (Nov 3)

Health Canada

<https://goo.gl/CjEEx4>

- Government of Canada to invest in cannabis education and awareness (Oct 31)

Infrastructure Canada

<https://goo.gl/kA8Ce5>

- Governments of Canada and Ontario invest in public transit in Durham Region (Oct 10)

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada

<https://goo.gl/RZnGJH>

- Government unveils plans to strengthen fundamental research in Canada (Nov 2)

Public Health Agency of Canada

<https://goo.gl/op4gqn>

- Statement from the CPHO on her Annual Report on the State of Public Health in Canada (Oct 26)

<https://goo.gl/Rwsjp1>

- Government of Canada announces support for projects on concussion management and awareness (Nov 3)

GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO

Office of the Premier

<https://goo.gl/Yp9HKY>

- Premier's Statement on U.S. NAFTA Auto Demands (Oct 16)

<https://goo.gl/JTspHU>

- Premier's Statement on U.S. NAFTA Supply Management Demands (Oct 17)

<https://goo.gl/GtB3PY>

- Ontario Moving Ahead on High Speed Rail with Planning Advisory Board (Oct 23)

<https://goo.gl/pVywqh>

- Ontario Expanding Access to Specialized Care for People Living with HIV/AIDS (Oct 25)

Ontario Ministry of Attorney General of Ontario

<https://goo.gl/ifxRSK>

- Ontario Passes Legislation to Protect Women's Right to Choose (Oct 25)

<https://goo.gl/rRh9rx>

- Ontario Preparing for Federal Cannabis Legalization (Nov 1)

Ontario Ministry of Children and Youth Services

<https://goo.gl/beJQ42>

- Ontario Creates More Opportunities for Youth to Shape Policy (Oct 30)

Ontario Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services

<https://goo.gl/SXhECj>

- Ontario Building Stronger, Safer Communities (Nov 2)

Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Growth

<https://goo.gl/4Tv5qs>

- Ontario Supporting Innovative Auto Projects (Nov 1)

Ontario Ministry of Education

<https://goo.gl/r7ruvD>

- Ontario Boosting Support for Children and Youth in Care (Oct 23)

<https://goo.gl/V7XpeD>

- Ontario Expanding Early Years Programming for Children and Families (Oct 24)

<https://goo.gl/Vyqq2e>

- Ontario Making Schools Safer for Students with Prevalent Medical Conditions (Oct 24)

Ontario Ministry of Energy

<https://goo.gl/enAnA1>

- Ontario's Long-Term Energy Plan Delivers Fairness, Affordability and Choice (Oct 26)

Ontario Ministry of Finance

<https://goo.gl/yr3xhx>

- Ontario Taking Next Steps to Identify Cannabis Store Locations (Oct 27)

Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care

<https://goo.gl/3uaZhW>

- Ontario Making 2,000 More Beds and Spaces for Patients Available This Year (Oct 23)

Ontario Ministry of Infrastructure

<https://goo.gl/rpq3sb>

- Ontario Completes Land Transfer for Creation of Rouge National Urban Park (Oct 21)

Ontario Ministry of Labour

<https://goo.gl/scnhUP>

- Bill to Create Fair Workplaces and Better Jobs Passes Second Reading (Oct 18)

<https://goo.gl/xdDy6k>

- Ontario Seeking Input on Employment and Labour Law Rules (Oct 18)

Ontario Ministry of Senior Affairs

<https://goo.gl/wi8vD3>

- Ontario Improving Fire Safety in Retirement Homes (Oct 11)

Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport

<https://goo.gl/q1SDmM>

- Ontario Boosting Opportunities for Children and Youth to Stay Active and Engaged (Oct 25)

Ontario Ministry of Transportation

<https://goo.gl/wav1MG>

- Whitby Rail Maintenance Nears Completion (Oct 13)

<https://goo.gl/YcbefC>

- Ontario Improving Safety and Convenience for Commuters at Ajax GO Station (Oct 16)

<https://goo.gl/okSrsN>

- Ontario Making Transit More Convenient in Durham Region (Oct 20)

<https://goo.gl/iyDk5z>

- Ontario Seeking Input on Greater Golden Horseshoe Transportation System (Oct 25)

Poverty Reduction Strategy

<https://goo.gl/vyswg3>

- Ontario Helping People Break the Cycle of Poverty (Oct 17)

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Canadian Cancer Society

<https://goo.gl/HJo2LG>

- Smoking causes 1 in 5 of all deaths, costs \$6.5 billion in healthcare in Canada each year: study (Oct 16)

Canadian Institute for Health Information

<https://goo.gl/i3wrVi>

- Canadian patients have positive outcomes after heart surgery (Oct 31)

Canadian Institutes of Health Research

<https://goo.gl/uQuhTj>

- Government of Canada invests in Research for the Prevention and Control of High Blood Pressure (Nov 2)

Canadian Patient Safety Institute

<https://goo.gl/fmpU8f>

- Canadian Patient Safety Institute joins World Health Organization in calling for improved medication safety (Nov 1)

Cancer Care Ontario

<https://goo.gl/Q4tGE6>

- Cervical cancer is most often found in women who do not get regular Pap (Oct 16)

Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

<https://goo.gl/UEuris>

- CAMH study reveals promising new adventure to explore treatments for Alzheimer's disease (Oct 25)

Financial Accountability Office of Ontario

<https://goo.gl/k5crFn>

- FAO's Long-term Budget Outlook projects significant budget challenges for Ontario over next three decades (Oct 19)

Health Quality Ontario

<https://goo.gl/8fQKVV>

- A hard look at Ontario's health system (Oct 23)

Institute of Clinical Evaluative Sciences

<https://goo.gl/Aqn7hu>

- Family doctors ordered fewer imaging tests after changes to the physician fee schedule clarified that all tests for uncomplicated low back pain must be medically necessary (Oct 17)

Office of the Auditor General of Ontario

<https://goo.gl/mU4JAZ>

- Auditor General Says Provincial Government Plans to Obscure the Financial Impact of Electricity Rate Cuts (Oct 17)

Office of the Environmental Commissioner of Ontario

<https://goo.gl/tqF4GX>

- Ontario government must tackle pollution affecting Indigenous communities (Oct 24)

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner/Ontario

<https://goo.gl/4zBf4p>

- Information and Privacy Commissioner Cautions Ontario Educators on Use of Online Teaching Tools (Oct 24)

Office of the Information Commissioner of Canada

<https://goo.gl/rx6RKK>

- Information and Privacy Commissioners across Canada call on governments to safeguard independent review of solicitor-client privilege claims (Oct 19)

Ontario Lung Association

<https://goo.gl/L6Joo6>

- Widower Urges Canadians to Protect Themselves from Radon-Induced Lung Cancer (Oct 24)

Patented Medicine Prices Review Board Canada

<https://goo.gl/aadTGc>

- Study finds significant overlap in the drugs covered by Canadian public drug plans (Oct 11)

Public Health Ontario

<https://goo.gl/Fzxnrm>

- PHO Connections (Oct 25)

Statistics Canada

<https://goo.gl/zHm5YZ>

- Participate in the 2021 Census of Population content consultation – it's not too late (Nov 1)



November 3, 2017

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Dear Ms. O'Neill and Ms. Trevisan:

**RE: Durham/York Energy from Waste Project
Submission of the Regional Municipality of Durham's Waste
Diversion Program Monitoring Report for 2016
Environmental Assessment Condition of Approval #10
MOECC File #: EA-08-02**

In accordance with Condition 10 of the Environmental Assessment Notice of Approval (EA), the Regional Municipality of Durham (Region) submits the Annual Waste Diversion Report titled 'Waste Management Annual 2016 Report' (Report) for the activities and progress towards diversion during the 2016 year.

The enclosed Report summarizes the results of the at-source diversion programs on page 32. This table illustrates an overall waste diversion rate of 53 per cent for the Region. It must be noted that, while the waste reported in this table derives a 53 per cent diversion rate, Waste Diversion Ontario, the agency which officially tracks and reports on municipal waste diversion rates in Ontario, adjusts municipally reported waste tonnages to account for deposit return, home composting, grass cycling, and other re-use activities across Ontario. In 2016, these adjustments increased the Region's overall waste diversion rate to 55 per cent.

If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 3560.

2016 marked the second full year of operations for the Durham York Energy Centre (DYEC). In 2016, 107,887 tonnes of waste was collected in the Region, of which, 87,845 tonnes were sent to the DYEC for processing. Approximately 12,876 tonnes of waste was bypassed from the DYEC. Of the bypassed waste, 6,097 tonnes was landfilled and the remaining 6,779 tonnes were sent to other energy-from-waste facilities.

Additionally, although not accounted for in the Region's diversion rate for 2016, metals recovered from recycling, after being processed at the DYEC, amounted to 3,594 tonnes. Ash removed from the DYEC, and used as daily landfill cover in 2016, amounted to 38,440 tonnes. With diversion in mind, metals are recovered and recycled at the DYEC and all ash generated is beneficially used as alternate daily cover for landfill, reducing the need to haul in soil and aggregate material to use as daily covering material. Should metal recovery and beneficial use of ash be considered diversion material, the Region's diversion rate could be 70 per cent for 2016.

In accordance with EA Condition 8.8 (e), the Region will submit the subject report to the Energy from Waste Advisory Committee for information concurrently. In addition, this report has been posted on the project website (www.durhamyorkwaste.ca) and public website (www.durham.ca/waste).

The Region trusts that this report meets the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change's (MOECC) expectation as outlined in the EA Notice of Approval. If you require further information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Mirka Januskiewicz, P.Eng., MAsc., MBA
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- c. L. McDowell, Director, Environmental Promotion and Protection, The Regional Municipality of York
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- Energy from Waste Advisory Committee (EFWAC)
- C. Raynor, Regional Clerk, The Regional Municipality of York
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Encl.



TOWN OF LAKESHORE

419 Notre Dame St.
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October 11, 2017

Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier
Legislative Building, Room 281
Queen's Park
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Wynne:

RE: PROVINCIAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

At their meeting of October 10, 2017 the Council of the Town of Lakeshore duly passed the following resolution.

Councillor Wilder moved and Councillor Janisse seconded:

That:

WHEREAS weather patterns seem to have changed, in that excessive and prolonged rains are now becoming more frequent and regular,

WHEREAS there is an increased chance of flooding, as result of excessive and prolonged rains;

WHEREAS property owners in areas that are at an increased risk of flooding are often unable to purchase flood insurance to protect their properties; and

WHEREAS the cost of property repairs after a flood cause financial hardship for individuals, families and businesses.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Ontario be urged to create a Provincial Flood Insurance Program, to cover those individuals, families and businesses who are unable to secure flood insurance for their properties;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this motion be sent to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Patrick Brown, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, the Honourable Andrea Horwath, Leader

of the New Democratic Party, and all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Should you require any additional information with respect to the above matter, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,



Mary Masse
Clerk

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cc: Hon. Patrick Brown, Leader of Progressive Conservative Party
cc: Hon. Andrea Horwath, Leader of New Democratic Party
cc: Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO)
cc: Via Email - All Ontario Municipalities
cc: Via Email - MPPs in the Province of Ontario



October 24, 2017

Ms. Lisa Trevisan
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Ms. Dolly Goyette
Director, Environmental Approvals Access and Service Integration Branch
Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change
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Dear Ms. Trevisan and Ms. Goyette:

**Re: Durham York Energy Centre Facility
Submission of the Regional Municipality of York Waste Diversion Program
Monitoring Plan (Environmental Assessment Condition 10) MOE File No.: EA-08-02**

The attached *York Region 2016 Annual Solid Waste Diversion Report* is being submitted to satisfy the Durham York Energy Centre Environmental Assessment condition for diversion reporting. It has been submitted to the Energy-from-Waste Advisory Committee and posted on the York Region website at www.york.ca. The Report summarizes York Region's integrated waste management system that delivers sustainable waste management programs and infrastructure to meet the needs of our growing communities.

York Region, in partnership with its nine local cities and towns, demonstrate leadership in sustainable waste management among municipalities in Ontario, through delivery of innovative solutions and waste management services to a population of nearly 1.2 million residents. York Region's Integrated Waste Management Master Plan, the SM4RT Living Plan, combines traditional waste management approaches with innovative community-driven programs that emphasize reduction, reuse and recycling before recovery. York Region continues to advocate sustainable waste management that includes recovery which derives a beneficial use of residual waste and should be recognized as diversion.

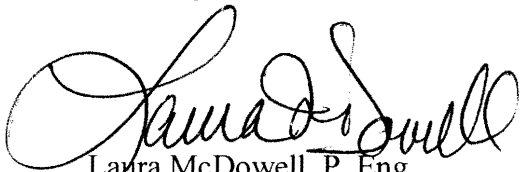
In 2016, the Region achieved 66.7 per cent diversion, calculated in accordance with the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority requirements (verification pending). Since 2012, York Region has ranked first for municipal diversion in the large urban category by the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority.

York Region continues to drive diversion from landfill and promote waste reduction through a number of initiatives and communication campaigns including:

- Better Blue Starts With You - multi-year blue box contamination campaign educates residents on items that do not belong in the blue box
- Bindicator – “Cut the Clutter” campaign promotes the use of York Region’s online waste look up tool that offers convenient outlets and options for reuse and recycling
- Curbside Giveaway Days – organized curbside swapping of reusable items
- Good Food program – continued focus on behaviour change to drive food waste reduction with a focus on local foods and a Flavours of Fall recipe contest
- Greener Garden Composting Challenge – backyard composting pilot program
- Trash Blasters – waste reduction education pilot program at elementary schools
- Textile Recycling – curbside and bin collection program for textiles and household goods

We trust that this satisfies Environmental Assessment Condition 10 in the Durham York Energy Centre approval, requiring annual diversion reporting. If you require additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Laura McDowell, P. Eng.
Director, Environmental Promotion and Protection

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Attachment

Copy to: M. Mahmood, Manager Approval Services, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change
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November 1, 2017

Attorney General Introduces Ontario's Cannabis Act, 2017

Attorney General Yasir Naqvi introduced legislation today to enact the Ontario Government's approach for the distribution, sale and consumption of recreational cannabis. Bill 174 has been introduced in anticipation of the federal government's legalization of recreational cannabis by July 1st, 2018.

Under the legislation, cannabis can only be bought from federally licensed medical suppliers or from the provincial control board, which is to be set up through an amendment to the *Liquor Control Board of Ontario Act*. The bill also:

- Sets a minimum age of 19 to use, buy, possess and cultivate cannabis in Ontario
- Allows for the diversion of people under the age of 19 from the justice system into programs focused on education and prevention
- Bans the use of cannabis in public places, workplaces and motor vehicles
- Regulates the smoking and vaping of medical cannabis
- Introduces new provincial offences with strict, escalating penalties.
- Establishes tougher drugged driving rules, including a zero-tolerance approach for young, novice and commercial drivers

Establishing cannabis retail stores in Ontario communities is subject to consultation with municipal governments so that community interests are reflected in location decisions. AMO believes this is an appropriate way to gather community input and is a product of the strong engagement between AMO and the province through the Association's Marijuana Legalization Task Force.

The Ontario government has signalled that its control board model is the initial step in an evolutionary approach to cannabis regulation in Ontario. AMO will work with municipal governments and the province for a successful implementation of the Ontario approach, while advocating for responsible, locally regulated private businesses in the future to maximize economic development opportunities for communities, including municipalities in rural and northern Ontario.

Federal Update:

Two bills are presently before Parliament including Bill C-46 which increases fines and broadens powers to convict drug and alcohol impaired driving, and Bill C-45, *the Cannabis Act*, which sets out the framework for legalizing cannabis in Canada, including provisions for provincial

legislation. Bill C-46 has been introduced in the Senate and Bill C-45 will soon be brought back to the House of Commons by the Standing Committee on Health.

For more information, contact Craig Reid, AMO Senior Advisor, creid@amo.on.ca.

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New Policing Legislation Introduced at Queen's Park

Long-awaited policing legislation was introduced today. This follows a five-year review by the Future of Policing Advisory Committee (FPAC), of which AMO was an active participant, and Justice Tulloch's Independent Police Oversight Review.

Through our widely read report, AMO was the only participant at FPAC to express publicly a clear vision of how policing, in its totality, could be modernized to improve efficiency and effectiveness. Some elements of those recommendations are contained, in part, in the new legislative framework. But it is equally clear that there are many competing agendas and interests among public safety participants at FPAC.

To be clear, some of the changes in the bills will advance the agenda to modernize policing, particularly with respect to oversight. But there are also some key proposals which will have a municipal cost.

The government's entire package of reforms is called the *Safer Ontario Act, 2017* and it includes a new *Police Services Act* and a new *Policing Oversight Act*. They are the most significant revisions to the legislative framework that governs policing in nearly 27 years. The government is hoping this package of reforms will become law by the end of the year. This members' update will focus on the *Police Services Act*. Further updates related to oversight agencies will follow as required.

Key Municipal Implications Include:

Mandating municipalities to develop Community Safety and Well-Being Plans

AMO's Understanding: The Bill proposes that all municipalities (or groups of municipalities and/or First Nations) develop mandatory Community Safety and Well-Being Plans (CSWB) and there are significant municipal impacts. All municipalities must establish an advisory committee with a prescribed membership that shall include community service representatives from LHINs, health care, education, social services, child services, an elected official, a police service board member, and others as prescribed.

This committee would be required to develop a plan to mitigate crime, victimization, addiction, drug overdose, suicide, prioritize risk factors, provide new services, and set measureable outcomes related to public safety services. Municipal councils would be required to adopt such a plan.

Municipalities do not oversee all of the above participants. There is no requirement that the municipal or OPP police services would need to participate or implement a CSWB once developed. While a municipality must do a comprehensive plan, there is no requirement to use it.

A failure to comply with this requirement will result in the appointment of a community safety planner by the Ministry who would be empowered to exercise the powers of a municipal council to fulfill the requirement to develop and implement a plan. The cost of appointing a planner would be charged to the municipality.

Key Municipal Issues: AMO supports the objectives of CSWB planning on a voluntary basis. CSWB pilot projects have demonstrated success precisely because of the voluntary participation of all partners. AMO supports the voluntary municipal development of CSWB plans, especially in circumstances where municipalities are attempting to respond to acute public safety needs in local circumstances.

AMO objects to the universal imposition of a new unfunded mandate. AMO is not confident the government has fully considered what this would mean for municipal governments in terms of capacity to deliver, costs, ability to implement, and what the risk of non-compliance could mean for many communities.

It treats all municipal governments, from the smallest to the largest, exactly the same. One quarter of all municipalities have less than five full-time administrative staff. There is a big municipal capacity issue associated with this mandate that the Ministry has not considered despite our advice.

The appointment of a community safety planner undermines the authority of democratically elected municipal councils.

The government has not demonstrated that there is a universal need for heavily prescribed CSWB planning province wide. The government has not demonstrated the value of developing such a plan if it cannot be successfully implemented.

Civilianization:

AMO's Understanding: It was AMO's hope that the legislation would enable greater civilianization rather than restrict it. The opportunity for civilianization is now extremely limited as presently drafted in the bill. The authority to use civilians or contracted services in the delivery of some public safety functions by civilians or non-officers could have delivered the same public service functions, at a reduced cost. The bill limits civilianization to non-profit entities delivering crime prevention and assistance to victims of crime, and some highly specialized functions (i.e. forensic identification, polygraph operators) for which there are likely very few non-profit providers.

Key Municipal Issues: One key way to reduce costs is for officers not to fulfill all the functions they are currently doing. There are a number of functions, which could be overseen by a police service, but delivered by others. They include ground services for missing persons, some types of minor property offences like break-ins or vehicle theft, directing traffic, and crime scene security,

etc. Court security and prisoner transportation could also be delivered in more efficient ways but changes in these areas are now restricted.

One Police Service Board per OPP Detachment

AMO's Understanding: The proposal would reduce the number and consolidate all existing OPP community policing advisory committees (non-contract or Section 5.1) and OPP police service boards (contract or Section 10) into one board per OPP detachment. In effect, this would eliminate nearly 100 OPP boards. The composition of OPP detachment boards shall be outlined in regulations. In addition, an OPP Police Governance Advisory Council would be established to advise the Minister on the responsibilities of the Commissioner.

Key Municipal Issues: Consolidation of Boards: The elimination of nearly 100 OPP boards will put much more distance between a community, its board, and the police. Policing is fundamentally local. This creates a significant logistical challenge. Detachment boundaries should not be the starting point for determining board boundaries. The importance of giving all municipalities a voice in policing needs to be emphasized. Municipal governments will need to have a much better understanding of how these changes will work in practice, especially how every municipality is going to continue to have a voice under this framework. These details will be prescribed in regulation.

Establishment of the OPP Governance and Advisory Council: This proposal touches on recommendations made by AMO's Policing Modernization Paper related to establishing such a body. The Council will provide the Minister with advice regarding her powers with respect to the OPP. This is a positive change.

Police Service Boards Reforms (own force)

AMO's Understanding: The Ministry is proposing a variety of changes related to police service boards. This includes preserving existing ratios of municipally appointed and provincially appointed representatives, permitting councils to adopt a board composition of five, seven, or nine members (from three, five, and seven). All municipal councils would be required to develop a diversity plan as prescribed in legislation, which would include taking reasonable steps to promote the availability of appointments to members of demographic groups, racialized and Indigenous groups, reporting to the Minister on an annual basis.

Municipal appointments shall have regard for: the diversity of the population, prescribed competencies, and a police record check. Former police officers would also be prohibited from serving on a board where they were a member, for two years. In addition, board members would be required to complete training within a prescribed period. If training is not completed, that individual would not be permitted to perform the duties of a board member.

Key Municipal Issues: The prescriptiveness of some of the Ministry's new requirements will have very clear resource and mandate impacts for boards. Can all boards fulfill these new mandates? The financing of these requirements has municipal financial implications. Help and support for boards in fulfilling their primary governance responsibilities is needed.

Board Size: Increasing the size of boards with the same ratio of provincial and municipal appointees increases the representativeness of boards.

Diversity Plan: In effect, the applicability of a diversity plan is largely limited to the single community representative which council must nominate. What provisions would be made to ensure provincial and municipal diversity plans are aligned?

A much bigger impediment to diversity and representativeness is the number of provincial appointments that remain vacant. According to the Ontario Association of Police Service Boards (OAPSB), as of March 2017, over 90 of 250 provincial board positions are unfilled and vacant. This negatively affects successful governance and diversity. The provincial *unappointed* members are the biggest barrier to achieving representativeness and diversity in our view.

This is an issue that has been raised by the Auditor General of Ontario. Addressing this issue alone could have a profound impact on the function and capacity of boards.

Police Record Check: There would be a new requirement for municipal appointees to boards.

Mandatory Training: The government is proposing to regulate the timeframe in which mandatory training for board members must be completed. AMO's Policing Modernization Paper supported the concept of mandatory training. What has not be determined is who will deliver this training and how it will be paid for. This is a key consideration. If mandatory training is to be successfully delivered, a mechanism must be established to deliver it.

Budget Disputes: Currently the Ontario Civilian Police Commission (OCPC) is used to adjudicate any budget disputes between municipalities and local police services boards. In the last twenty years, the OCPC has not needed to adjudicate any budget disputes between municipalities and local police services boards. Justice Tulloch recommended the OCPC's power regarding budget disputes be eliminated. He wrote, "It is not appropriate for an adjudicative tribunal like the OCPC to be interjected between municipalities and local police services boards. Determinations about the structure and budgets of police forces are policy and operational matters in which the OCPC lacks specific expertise. They are often political decisions".

It is proposed that a different adjudicative tribunal be given this mandate, the Ontario Police Arbitration Commission (OPAC). Justice Tulloch did not say give the mandate to different adjudicative tribunal, he said it was not appropriate for a tribunal, period. OPAC arbitrators also lack the requisite expertise to fulfill this function.

There is no need for the OPAC to hear such decisions in the first place, especially considering there have been no such disputes in the past twenty years. This provision continues to infringe on the authority vested in municipal councils to make resource allocation and taxation decisions.

Strategic Plan: Police service boards will be required to develop strategic plans at least every four years. The legislation is highly prescriptive; it lists at least fifteen prescribed topic requirements. Whether or not a police service board strategic plan aligns with the municipality's community safety and well-being plan is a key consideration.

Establishment of a Provincial Inspector General

AMO's Understanding: A Provincial Inspector General would fulfill the following primary function:

- Monitor and conduct inspections of boards,
- The Inspector **will not have the authority** to conduct inspections of police officers and whether they are complying with their codes of conduct.

Key Municipal Issues: It would seem the Ministry has chosen to emphasize the enforcement of governance requirements as a top priority, versus helping boards succeed in fulfilling their role. AMO would have liked to see resources or supports devoted to supporting boards, in support of the Inspector General's mandate.

Suspension without Pay

AMO's Understanding: The Bill includes provisions to suspend an officer without pay for a period of time, under very specific circumstances. AMO supports amendments which enhances the ability of a Chief to maintain discipline within the police service. Public expectations on this specific issue are very high.

Waterways Policing

AMO's Understanding: Previously, selected municipalities were required to have a waterways policing capacity. As written in the new bill, AMO believes that all municipal police services will be required to police all waterways (in addition to the OPP).

The above initial observations are provided to help municipal leaders and staff assess the impact of this proposed legislative change. It is expected that this proposed legislation will be passed before the House rises in mid-December. Further analysis will be conducted on these Bills in the coming days.

For more information, contact Matthew Wilson, AMO Senior Advisor, mwilson@amo.on.ca.

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Subject: AMO Policy Update - Government Consultation on

November 3, 2017

Government Consultation on Income Security Reform

A new report, Income Security: A Roadmap for Change, outlines specific advice to government to help guide decision-making on a multi-year path for reforming the income security system. This could affect the benefits delivered through municipally delivered programs such as social assistance, childcare, social housing.

The report, prepared by multi-stakeholder Income Security Reform Working Groups including First Nations, charts a proposed path forward sequencing reforms over a ten-year period. Some proposed measures include:

- adopting a Minimum Income Standard
- introducing an Ontario Housing Benefit
- moving income support for children outside social assistance
- making health benefits available to low-income people
- transforming social assistance
- providing an assured income approach to people with disabilities
- assuring self-governance and respect for First Nations jurisdiction with control of social services by First Nations
- providing adequate funding for First Nations.

Municipal government have a significant interest in the outcome of this initiative given the role played by municipalities and District Social Service Administration Boards delivering human services to residents through provincial-municipal cost-shared programs.

The government is consulting on the Roadmap for 60 days up until January 2, 2018. To view the report to make a submission, visit the income security [website](#). AMO will conduct further analysis and the Board will consider the municipal impacts of the report's recommendations.

AMO Contact: Michael Jacek, Senior Advisor, E-mail: mjacek@amo.on.ca, 416.971.9856 ext. 329.

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Subject: EB-2017-0147 Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.- Fenelon Falls Pipeline Project - OEB Re-Issues Notice of Application
Attachments: 20171030 noa_Fenelon Falls _Re-Issued.pdf; A-2-1 Application.pdf

Good Afternoon,

On July 26, 2017, Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (Enbridge) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) for the Fenelon Falls Pipeline Project in the City of Kawartha Lakes and the Township of Brock in the Regional Municipality of Durham (Fenelon Falls Project). Enbridge also applied for a certificate of public convenience and necessity for the City of Kawartha Lakes.

On August 18, 2017, the OEB issued the Notice of Application for this proceeding. The OEB's Notice Application provides information for interested parties on how to become informed and involved in the proceeding.

On October 30, 2017, the OEB re-issued the Notice of Application for the proceeding. The OEB has re-issued the Notice to advise Indigenous communities that the OEB's process for this application may serve as a component of the Crown's duty to consult for this project.

Attached please find the OEB's Notice of Application and Enbridge's application as filed with the OEB for this project.

To view the application and evidence, including the environmental report, please visit the Enbridge website at www.enbridgegas.com/fenelonfalls

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this application.

Sincerely,

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ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD NOTICE

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board for approval:

- **To construct 37 kilometres of natural gas pipelines in in the Regional Municipality of Durham to serve the community of Fenelon Falls**
- **To charge a System Expansion Surcharge of \$0.23 per m³ to all new customers taking distribution service from the facilities in the community of Fenelon Falls and all new customers of similar community expansion projects**
- **For a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the City of Kawartha Lakes**

Learn more. Have your say.

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. has applied to the Ontario Energy Board for approval to construct 37 kilometres of natural gas pipelines consisting of two segments:

- **The Sunderland Segment consists of 8 kilometres of 6 inch diameter pipeline starting in the community of Sunderland in the Township of Brock and connecting to Enbridge Gas' existing pipeline at Farmstead Road in the City of Kawartha Lakes.**
- **The Fenelon Falls Segment consist of 29 kilometres of 6 inch and 4 inch diameter pipeline starting in the community of Oakwood and ending in the community of Fenelon Falls in the City of Kawartha Lakes.**

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. has applied for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the City of Kawartha Lakes to allow it to construct the natural gas facilities.

Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. has also applied for approval to charge a System Expansion Surcharge of \$0.23 per m³ to all new customers in the community of Fenelon Falls that take service from the proposed facilities and all new customers of similar community expansion projects.

A map of the proposed pipeline project is provided below.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD IS HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) will hold a public hearing to consider the application filed by Enbridge Gas. During the hearing, we will question Enbridge Gas on the case. We will also hear questions and arguments from individual consumers, municipalities and others whose interests would be affected. At the end of this hearing, the OEB will decide whether to approve the application.

As part of its review of this application, the OEB will assess Enbridge Gas' compliance with the OEB's Environmental Guidelines for the Location, Construction and Operation of Hydrocarbon Pipelines and Facilities in Ontario.

The OEB issued a Notice of Hearing for this application on August 18, 2017. The OEB is re-issuing Notice to Indigenous communities to advise that the OEB's process for this application may serve as a component of the Crown's duty to consult for this project.

The OEB is an independent and impartial public agency. We make decisions that serve the public interest. Our goal is to promote a financially viable and efficient energy sector that provides you with reliable energy services at a reasonable cost.

BE INFORMED AND HAVE YOUR SAY

You have the right to information regarding this application and to be involved in the process.

- You can review the application filed by Enbridge Gas on the OEB's website now.
- You can file a letter with your comments, which will be considered during the hearing.
- You can become an active participant (called an intervenor). Apply by **November 10, 2017** or the hearing will go ahead without you and you will not receive any further notice of the proceeding.
- At the end of the process, you can review the OEB's decision and its reasons on our website.

LEARN MORE

Our file number for this case is **EB-2017-0147**. To learn more about this hearing, find instructions on how to file letters or become an intervenor, or to access any document related to this case, please select the file number **EB-2017-0147** from the list on the OEB website: <http://www.oeb.ca/noticeltc> . You can also phone our Consumer Relations Centre at 1-877-632-2727 with any questions.

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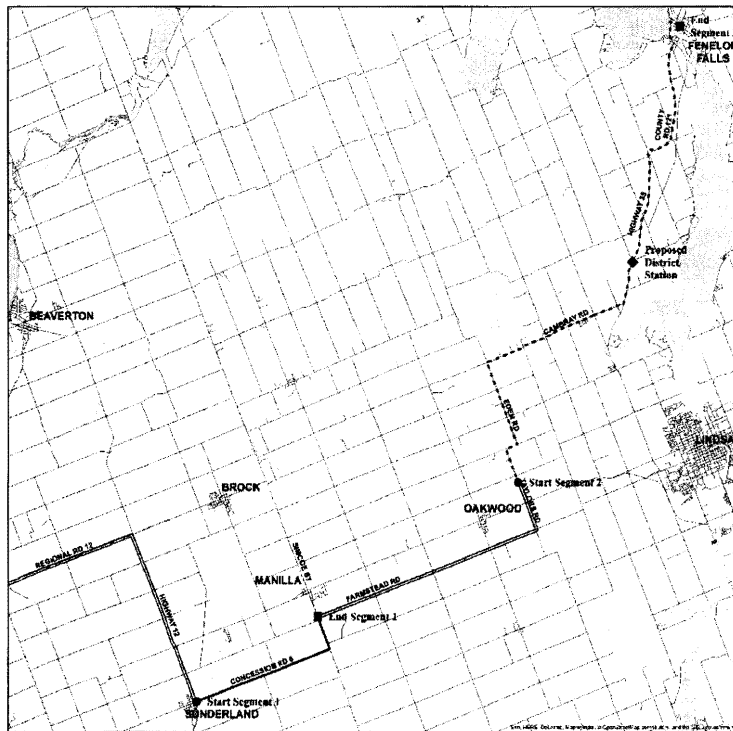
There are two types of OEB hearings – oral and written. The OEB will determine at a later date whether to proceed by way of a written or oral hearing. If you think an oral hearing is needed, you can write to the OEB to explain why by **November 10, 2017**.

PRIVACY

If you write a letter of comment, your name and the content of your letter will be put on the public record and the OEB website. However, your personal telephone number, home address and email address will be removed. If you are a business, all your information will remain public. If you apply to become an intervenor, all information will be public.

This hearing will be held under section 90(1), section 97 and section 36 of the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, S.O. 1998, c.15 (Schedule B) and section 8 of the Municipal Franchises Act R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55.

Proposed Pipelines to Serve Fenelon Falls



Legend

- ◆ Station
- Starting Point
- Ending Point
- Existing Enbridge Pipelines
- Fenelon Falls Segment Proposed Pipeline
- Sunderland Segment Proposed Pipeline



ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15 (Sched. B), as amended (the “OEB Act”) and the *Municipal Franchises Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.55, as amended (the “MF Act”);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application under section 36 of the OEB Act for an order or orders approving a rate to be applied as a System Expansion Surcharge in respect of each Community Expansion Project by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. under section 90 of the OEB Act for an order or orders granting leave to construct natural gas distribution pipelines and ancillary facilities to serve the community of Fenelon Falls in the City of Kawartha Lakes;

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application under section 8 of the MF Act for an order or orders granting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. for the construction of works in the City of Kawartha Lakes.

LEAVE TO CONSTRUCT APPLICATION: FENELON FALLS PIPELINE PROJECT

1. The Applicant, Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. (“Enbridge”), is an Ontario corporation with its head office in the City of Toronto. It carries on the business of selling, distributing, transmitting and storing natural gas within the province of Ontario.
2. This Application is made pursuant to the guidance provided by the Ontario Energy Board (the “Board”) in its EB-2016-0004 Generic Community Expansion Decision with Reasons (“Community Expansion Decision”) issued on November 17, 2016. In accordance with the findings made by the Board in the Community Expansion Decision, Enbridge proposes a System Expansion Surcharge (“SES”) to be paid by all new customers served by Community Expansion Projects undertaken by Enbridge.
3. The proposed SES is a fixed volumetric rate of \$0.23 per cubic metre that will be charged in addition to Enbridge’s base distribution rates as approved by the Board from time to time. Enbridge hereby applies to the Board under section 36 of the OEB Act for approval

of the SES to be charged to all new customers taking gas distribution service from a Community Expansion Project.

4. Enbridge proposes to undertake a Community Expansion Project, in respect of which the SES would apply, to serve the community of Fenelon Falls in the City of Kawartha Lakes (the "Project"). The Board gave notice of Enbridge's proposal to serve Fenelon Falls and requested expressions of interest from any other parties with plans to provide natural gas services to the community, but no such expressions of interest were received. Accordingly, this Application does not engage the competitive process contemplated in the Community Expansion Decision.
5. For the purposes of providing natural gas service to Fenelon Falls, Enbridge proposes to build two natural gas pipelines (the "Facilities"). A map showing the proposed pipeline routes can be found at Exhibit C, Tab 1, Schedule 1, Attachment 1 of the pre-filed evidence filed together with this Application.
6. The proposed Facilities are comprised of two segments; the Sunderland Segment of reinforcement pipeline and the Fenelon Falls Segment of distribution pipeline. The Sunderland Segment consists of approximately 8 kilometres of Nominal Pipe Size ("NPS") 6 inch steel pipeline plus ancillary facilities. The Fenelon Falls Segment consists of approximately 29 kilometres of a combination of NPS 6 inch and NPS 4 inch steel and polyethylene pipeline, together with ancillary facilities.
7. The Sunderland Segment would originate near the point where Highway 7/12 intersects with Regional Road 10/Brock Concession Road 6 in the community of Sunderland in the Township of Brock. It would travel east along Brock Concession Road 6 and then north on Simcoe Street to a termination point at Farmstead Road where it would tie in to an existing Enbridge pipeline.
8. The Fenelon Falls Segment would originate near the intersection of Highway 7 and Taylor's Road west of the town of Lindsay in the community of Oakwood. From there it would travel north along Taylor's Road, continue east along Quaker Road, north along Eden Road and then east along Cambray Road/County Road 9 to Highway 35. From this point the pipeline would travel north to the community of Fenelon Falls, terminating near the intersection of Bond Street and Colborne Street/County Road 121.
9. Enbridge has developed forecasts of costs, customer additions and revenues for the Project and has concluded that the Project requires a grant of funding from the Infrastructure Ontario Natural Gas Grant Program in order to be economically feasible. Funding under the Natural Gas Grant Program is conditional on an expansion project receiving all necessary approvals from the Board. In order to proceed with the Project, Enbridge will require a grant of funding from Infrastructure Ontario to make the Project

economically feasible, as well as approval of Enbridge's management. On this basis, Enbridge hereby applies to the Board under section 90 of the OEB Act for leave to construct the Facilities.

10. Enbridge has entered into a Municipal Franchise Agreement with the City of Kawartha Lakes. Enbridge also holds a number of Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity granted by the Board in respect of former municipalities that now form part of the City of Kawartha Lakes. In order to allow Enbridge to construct the Facilities to serve Fenelon Falls, Enbridge hereby applies under section 8 of the MF Act for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity in respect of the City of Kawartha Lakes.
11. The route and location for the proposed pipelines were selected by an independent environmental consultant (Stantec Consulting Ltd.), through the process outlined in the Board's *Environmental Guidelines for the Location, Construction, and Operation of Hydrocarbon Pipelines in Ontario (Sixth Edition, 2011)* (the "Guidelines"). Despite the environmental and socio-economic assessment work for the Fenelon Falls project having been completed prior to the release of the 7th edition of the Guidelines, Enbridge has endeavored to follow the process outlined in this most recent version of the Guidelines. To that end Enbridge engaged the Ministry of Energy to determine if there is a duty to consult requirement triggered by the Fenelon Falls project. Information on indigenous consultations and Duty to Consult activities can be found at Exhibit H, Tab 1, Schedule 1 of the pre-filed evidence.
12. Input from the public and area stakeholders and First Nations was sought during the route selection process and was incorporated into the final alignment decision. Details on the route selection and the Environmental and Socio-Economic Impact Assessment ("ER") of the proposed facilities are included at Exhibit D, Tab 1, Schedule 3, Attachment 1. The proposed measures outlined in the ER will be implemented to mitigate and potential environmental impacts.
13. Enbridge has included draft agreements at Exhibit G, Tab 1, Schedule 3 that will be offered to affected landowners where the need for an easement arises.
14. Construction is scheduled to commence no later than April 2018 in order to begin providing gas distribution service to Fenelon Falls by October 2018. Exhibit E, Tab 1, Schedule 1 provides the proposed construction schedule.
15. A list of interested parties and permitting authorities is provided at Exhibit A, Tab 2, Schedule 3.
16. Enbridge requests that this Application proceed by way of written hearing in English.

17. Enbridge therefore requests, on the basis set out in paragraph 9, above, that the Board make the following orders:
- (i) an order pursuant to section 36 of the OEB Act approving the proposed SES for all customers that take natural gas distribution service from a Community Expansion Project by Enbridge and associated changes to the Glossary of Terms in Enbridge's rate handbook;
 - (ii) an order pursuant to section 36 of the OEB Act approving an SES with a term of 40 years for all customers that take gas distribution service from the Fenelon Falls Community Expansion Project described in this Application;
 - (iii) an order pursuant to section 90 of the OEB Act granting leave to construct the Facilities;
 - (iv) an order pursuant to section 97 of the OEB Act, 1998 approving the proposed form of easement agreements; and
 - (v) an order pursuant to section 8 of the MF Act granting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Enbridge in respect of the City of Kawartha Lakes.
18. Enbridge requests that copies of all documents filed with the Board in connection with this proceeding be served on it and on its counsel, as follows:
- (a) The Applicant: Regulatory Affairs
Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc.

Address for personal service: 500 Consumers Road
Toronto, ON M2J 1P8

Mailing Address: P. O. Box 650
Scarborough, ON M1K 5E3

Telephone: (416) 495-5499
Fax: (416) 495-6072
E-Mail: EGDRegulatoryProceedings@enbridge.com

(b) The Applicant's counsel: Fred D. Cass
Aird & Berlis LLP

Address for personal service and mailing address: Suite 1800, Box 754
Brookfield Place, 181 Bay Street
Toronto, Ontario
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Telephone: (416) 865-7742
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DATED JULY 26, 2017, at Toronto, Ontario.

ENBRIDGE GAS DISTRIBUTION INC.
By its counsel

AIRD & BERLIS LLP

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Fred D. Cass

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Notice of Public Information

Centre #6

The purpose of this PIC is to present design elements of the project, including:

- Vegetation Restoration Plans (Phase 2B)
- Community Value Plan (Phase 2B)
- Landscaping Plans (Phase 2B)
- Carry-over portions from previous PICs/DCRs

A PIC has been scheduled to present information on these proposals for public review and comment. BBI representatives will be available to answer questions and receive your input.

The PIC will be held at the following location:

407-860-2763

Original
To: CIP
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To: Logy Andersen
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Dept. Heads
admins email
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Take Appr. Action

PIC Location:

Garnet B. Rickard Recreation Complex

2440 Highway 2 West

Bowmanville, ON

LIC 3K2

Date and Time:

Wednesday, November 8, 2017

5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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The above listed construction activities are being carried out under the MTO's Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Transportation Facilities (2000) (Class EA), an approved planning process with the opportunity for public input. In accordance with the MTO's Class EA, a Design and Construction Report (DCR), documenting the design and construction proposals and the results of the consultation process, will be prepared. The DCR will be made available for a 30-day public review period, with public notice advising of the start of the review period. The DCR is not subject to a Part II Order ('bump-up') request under the provisions of MTO's Class EA.

**407 East Phase 2 | Blackbird
Infrastructure GP**

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MINUTES

AFFORDABLE AND SENIORS' HOUSING TASK FORCE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 20, 2017

A regular meeting of the Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force Committee was held on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 in the Council Chambers, Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 9:01 AM

Present: Councillor Ballinger, Township of Uxbridge
Councillor Carter, City of Oshawa
Councillor Chapman, Chair, City of Oshawa
Councillor Drew, Township of Scugog
Councillor Foster, Municipality of Clarington
Councillor Grant, Township of Brock left the meeting at 9:41 AM
Councillor Jordan, Town of Ajax
Councillor Pickles, Vice-Chair, City of Pickering
Councillor Roy, Town of Whitby attended the meeting at 9:21 AM and left the meeting at 11:37 AM
Regional Chair Anderson left the meeting at 10:30 AM

Absent: Councillor Ryan, City of Pickering

Staff

Present: M. Blake, Planner, Planning & Economic Development Department
J. Connolly, Director, Housing Services, Social Services
G.H. Cubitt, Chief Administrative Officer
H. Drouin, Commissioner of Social Services
J. Finlayson, Manager, Corporate Communications
R. Jagoe, Policy Analyst, Housing Services, Social Services
C. McCreight, Administrative Assistant, Social Services
M. Seppala, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – Information Technology
M. Simpson, Director, Financial Planning and Purchasing, Finance Department
N. Prasad, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Carter, Seconded by Drew,
That the agenda for the September 20, 2017 Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force Committee meeting, be approved.

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Ballinger, Seconded by Councillor Carter,
That the minutes of the Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task
Force meeting held on June 21, 2017 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. Opening Remarks, Purpose and Objectives

Chair Chapman thanked everyone for their input and hard work and advised members that the draft report will be presented to the Committee of the Whole on November 1, 2017 and to Regional Council on November 8, 2017.

5. Presentation – Draft Task Force Recommendations Report

K. Wianecki, Director of Practice at Planning Solutions Inc., provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Draft Task Force Recommendations Report. A copy of the presentation was provided as a handout.

K. Wianecki stated that the goal of the Task Force is to identify strategies that support the creation and maintenance of affordable and seniors' housing as set out in the Region's Community Strategic Plan, Regional Official Plan, and At Home in Durham: Durham Region Housing Plan 2014-2024. She stated that the draft report outlines four roles for the Region and consists of a six point plan of action.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Presentation Overview
- Task Force Terms of Reference
 - Goal
 - Mandate
 - Focus
- Overview of Work Undertaken by Task Force
- Draft Task Force Recommendations Report
 - Draft Report
 - Introduction
 - Housing Affordability & Suitability in Durham Region – The Need for Action
 - Meeting the Challenges Head On
 - Regional Framework for Action
 - Task Force Recommendations: A Six-Point Plan of Action
 - Step 1: Lead by Example

- Step 2: Overcome Barriers
- Step 3: Partner and Build Support
- Step 4: Showcase Best Practices
- Step 5: Advocate Responsibly
- Step 6: Monitor Progress and Report on Results
- What Do You Think?
 - A Suggested Approach
 - General Comments
 - Recommendation Specifics
 - Process & Next Steps
- Where to Go From Here?
 - Next Steps

Detailed discussion ensued with regards to:

- The importance of having a clear definition of 'affordable';
- Report recommendations need to place more responsibility on upper-tier municipalities;
- Clarification needed with regards to accuracy of the statistics provided in the Durham Rental Housing Completions Table, specifically, that rental housing constitutes only 1.7 per cent of total housing completions in Durham Region since 1997;
- Clarification needed with regards to the amount of rent-geared-to-income (RGI) units in Durham and the need to have the federal and provincial governments allocate funding for RGI units;
- Clarification needed with regards to how much funding is received from the federal government for RGIs;
- Important to emphasize provincial re-involvement and ongoing commitment by federal government;
- Recommendation 1-8 should make mention of Federal and Provincial partners;
- Recommendations listed in the executive summary of report need to be strengthened;
- Greater clarity needed throughout the report with regards to the rental component of the housing market for low income and seniors;
- Important for the Region to take the lead in identifying surplus lands owned by federal and provincial governments and work towards making those lands available for affordable housing;
- Important to engage local Councils;
- Important to recognize that seniors housing and affordable housing are different issues that require different remedies;
- Important to provide more detailed breakdown of the waiting list demographics and statistical information (identify number of children etc.);
- Important to include an education component at the lower municipal level to break down barriers associated with affordable housing;

- Explore options to ensure that high density sites remain high density sites and important to stress the need for stronger official plan policies that stress the need for high density;
- Recommend that the Regional Official Plan strengthen its policy regarding high density standards;
- Provide detailed definitions of terminology in report (ie. affordable housing, rent-geared-to-income etc.);
- The summary of task force recommendations be amended to emphasize and reflect more responsibility to provincial and federal governments;
- Distinguish and clarify differences between seniors housing and affordable housing;
- Clarify financial details with regards to issues of rent-geared-to-income units and how much money is provided by the federal government; and
- The importance in addressing the challenges of the growth of the waiting list.

Moved by Councillor Jordan, Seconded by Councillor Drew,
That the comments and discussion with regards to the draft Task Force Recommendations Report be taken as direction to staff in preparing the final Report.

CARRIED

6. Discussion Items

A) Overview of Work Undertaken

Discussion regarding the overview of work undertaken by the Committee formed part of the discussion under Item 5.

B) Review and approve the Draft Task Force Recommendations Report

A copy of the Draft Task Force Recommendations Report was provided as Attachment #2 to the Agenda.

Further discussion ensued with regards to:

- Implementation of the recommendations of the report;
- Defining a minimum high density standard;
- Identify what is in the Region's control and what steps have been taken and not been taken; and
- Clarification regarding the awareness campaign for seniors.

Moved by Regional Chair Anderson, Seconded by Drew,
That we recommend to the Committee of the Whole for approval
and subsequent recommendation to Regional Council:

That the Draft Task Force Recommendations Report be adopted.
CARRIED AS AMENDED LATER IN THE
MEETING (See Following Motions)

Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Roy,
That recommendations 1-1 and 1-2 of the Draft Task Force
Recommendations Report be combined to create one
interdisciplinary Tactical Team at the Region.
CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Pickles,
That recommendation 1-8 of the Draft Task Force
Recommendations Report be amended by adding the words at the
end, "and consult with staff to ensure that consideration be given to
define minimum high density targets".
CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jordan, Seconded by Councillor Carter,
That recommendation 2-5 of the Draft Task Force
Recommendations Report be amended to include tax increment
financing.
CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Foster, Seconded by Councillor Ballinger,
That recommendation 3-2 of the Draft Task Force
Recommendations Report be amended to add the words "staff and
council of local municipalities" after the word "landlords".
CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jordan, Seconded by Councillor Ballinger,
That recommendations 3-3 and 3-4 of the Draft Task Force
Recommendations Report be amended to add the word "Public"
before the words "Awareness Campaign" in the titles.
CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Pickles, Seconded by Councillor Foster,
That recommendations 5-1, 5-2 and 5-3 of the Draft Task Force
Recommendations Report be amended by deleting the word
"Appeal" and replacing it with the word "Request".
CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Pickles, Seconded by Councillor Foster,
That recommendation 5-1 of the Draft Task Force
Recommendations Report be amended by adding the words “re-
establish their responsibility and” after the words “provincial
governments to” and by adding the word “funding,” after the word
“reintroduce”.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Jordan, Seconded by Councillor Carter,
That recommendation 6-1 of the Draft Task Force
Recommendations Report be amended to add the words
“implementation status of the recommendations in the report
including the” after the words “Monitor and report annually on the”.

CARRIED

Moved by Councillor Carter, Seconded by Councillor Pickles,
That the Six Point Plan of Action of the Draft Task Force
Recommendations Report be re-numbered as follows:

1. Overcome the Barriers
2. Partner and Build Support
3. Showcase Best Practices
4. Advocate Responsibly
5. Monitor Progress and Report on Results
6. Lead by Example.

MOTION DEFEATED

Moved by Councillor Drew, Seconded by Councillor Jordan,
That the Draft Task Force Recommendations Report be amended
to remove the word “Step” as it relates to the Six Point Plan of
Action.

CARRIED

The main motion of Regional Chair Anderson and Councillor Drew was then
put to a vote and CARRIED AS AMENDED.

C) Set Recommendation Priorities

This item formed part of the discussion under Items 5 and 6.

D) Discuss Next Steps

Chair Chapman thanked K. Wianecki, Committee Members and staff for their
dedication and contribution to the committee. He advised that the Task
Force Recommendation Report will be presented to the Committee of the
Whole on November 1, 2017 and to Regional Council on November 8, 2017.

7. Information Items

There were no Information Items.

8. Other Business

There was no other business to consider.

9. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Drew, Seconded by Councillor Foster,
That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 11:38 AM

Councillor Chapman, Chair,
Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task
Force Committee

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk

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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

JOINT FORUM OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Tuesday, September 26, 2017

A Joint Forum of the Accessibility Advisory Committees was held on Tuesday, September 26, 2017, at Regional Headquarters, LL-C Boardroom, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, at 4:50 PM

Present: Region of Durham AAC

Roberta Atkinson

Marni Bell

Donna McAllister

Andre O'Bumsawin

Mike Roche

Pat Rundle

Sarah Sones

Mary Sutherland

Angela Gibson, Director of Corporate Policy and Strategic Initiatives

Janet Traer, Accessibility Coordinator

Nela Prasad, Committee Clerk

Town of Ajax AAC

Marcia Bowen

Shandell Conboy

Sepelene Deonarine

Barb Dowds

Carion Fenn

Donna Mullings

Kathreen Smith

Heather Steeves

Julia Stevenson

Township of Brock

Maralee Drake

Ralph Maleus

Therese Miller, Councillor

Jolene Munro

Debbie Robinson

Donna Schirle

Tim Southern

Joint Forum of the Accessibility Advisory Committees - Minutes
September 26, 2017

Municipality of Clarington

Andre O'Bumsawin
Shae-Lee Latchford
Andrea Nicholson
Tim Vanleeuwen

City of Oshawa AAC

Derek Giberson
Lynda Lawson
Patrick Mockler
Lisa Nolton
Dorothy McFarland
Linda Tamborro

City of Pickering AAC

Christina Doucette
Matt Greenwood
Tim Higgins
Corrado Roccasalva
Franco Taverna

Township of Scugog AAC

Diana Fletcher

Township of Uxbridge AAC

Terry Baskin
Catalina Blumenberg
Maggie McCreath
Niko Pupella
Karen Webber

Town of Whitby AAC

Jeff Beaton
Michele Cotton
Denise Laframboise
Stephanie Smith
Richard Turner

1. Meet and Greet

Those in attendance took the opportunity to meet and greet other AAC members.

2. Welcome and Introductions

A. Gibson, Director of Corporate Policy and Strategic Initiatives, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, welcomed new and returning members to the Joint Forum of the Accessibility Advisory Committees.

3. Presentations

A) Presentation by Tracy Schmitt, Author, Leader, Humanitarian, Advocate, Decorated Athlete & International Speaker

A. Gibson introduced Tracy Schmitt, award-winning Author, Leader, Humanitarian, Advocate, Decorated Athlete and Motivational Speaker. A. Gibson outlined T. Schmitt's many accomplishments, some of which are as follows:

- Decorated Athlete in downhill para-skiing, world cup sailing, deep sea diving and mountain climbing;
- Captained a 110-foot-tall ship in the Eastern Atlantic;
- Won a bronze medal in para-alpine skiing;
- Award winning trainer for 30 years; and
- Twice nominated for the Ontario Premier's Award for her inclusive volunteer work all over the globe.

Tracy Schmitt provided a motivational, inspirational, empowering and engaging conversation. She provided an overview of her experiences as a 4-way amputee and shared personal stories and setbacks encountered throughout her life. She stated that Accessibility Advisory Committees facilitate the independence of others with similar stories and thanked the committees for their exemplary work.

Tracy Schmitt provided the following key take away points:

- Break through the barriers that life throws at you;
- Keep your head above water when things get tough;
- Generate conversations that lead to possibilities;
- Believe that you can;
- No matter what you face, you are never alone;
- Courage is not being without fear, it is carrying on in spite of fear;
- Establish competence and confidence in yourself;
- There is a place for every single person on this planet;
- Exceed uncertainty, effect change, earn respect;
- Important to take safe risks;
- When starting a new initiative, get out and do whatever you can;
- Believe you're capable and embrace possibility; and
- Believe in "what you focus on grows".

The Committees engaged in chair yoga exercises before recessing at 6:21 PM and reconvening at 6:35 PM.

B) Regional Municipality of Durham's Accessibility Awards

A. Gibson advised that each year the Regional Municipality of Durham honours individuals, services or local businesses that have improved accessibility in their community. Nominations for the awards are made by the local Accessibility Advisory Committees. A Gibson stated that each award recipient has succeeded in removing or preventing a barrier and their efforts have helped to ensure that citizens have access to meaningful involvement and full participation in their community.

M. Sutherland joined A. Gibson to thank and award each recipient.

Town of Ajax – Award Recipient – Heather Steeves

A. Gibson advised that Ms. Steeves has been a member of the Ajax AAC since 2014. She also volunteers at the Pickering Ribfest, Delta Bingo and at Julie Payette French Immersion Public School. She has also been a member of the Ajax Legion and Rotary Club of Ajax for the past two years.

Ms. Steeves accepted the award and congratulations from M. Sutherland, Chair, Durham Region AAC.

Township of Brock – Award Recipients – Ralph Maleus and Tim Southern, Sutherland Lions Club

A. Gibson advised that the Sutherland Lions Club believes in making their community better for all to enjoy. One of their recent initiatives was the construction of a one kilometre, four season, paved walking trail built in downtown Sunderland which is used by people of all ages and abilities.

Mr. Maleus and Mr. Southern from the Sutherland Lions Club accepted the award and congratulations from M. Sutherland, Chair, Durham Region AAC.

Municipality of Clarington - Award Recipients – John and Leslie Walsh, Walsh's SNUG

A. Gibson advised that the owners of Walsh's SNUG recently added an accessible side entrance and accessible washroom so that people with physical disabilities can also enjoy the facility. They also have plans to install a power door opener for the entrance, as well as repairs to the laneway leading up to the entrance.

Ms. S. Latchford, Clarington AAC member, accepted the award and congratulations on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Walsh of Walsh's SNUG from M. Sutherland, Chair, Durham Region AAC.

City of Oshawa – Award Recipient – Derek Giberson

A. Gibson advised that Mr. Giberson served six years on the Oshawa AAC, four of which he served as the Chair. Mr. Giberson then became involved in Oshawa's Culture Counts Committee. Three years ago, he organized a Christmas Concert which was a "pay what you can" event. Proceeds from that concert went to the Back Door Mission for the Relief of Poverty. As a current board member of The Back Door Mission, Mr. Giberson continues to promote accessibility and inclusiveness.

Mr. Giberson accepted the award and congratulations from M. Sutherland, Chair, Durham Region AAC.

City of Pickering – Award Recipients – Christina Doucett, Corrado Roccasalva, Franco Taverna and Matt Greenwood, Pickering Soccer Club

A. Gibson advised that the Pickering Soccer Club has been dedicated for the past ten years to increase opportunities for children and youth with disabilities to participate in soccer and to become coaches and/or volunteers. They have partnered with other sectors to co-develop new training modules and to host informative symposiums to develop accessible programs.

Christina Doucett, Corrado Roccasalva, Franco Taverna and Matt Greenwood, Pickering Soccer Club accepted the award and congratulations from M. Sutherland, Chair, Durham Region AAC.

Township of Scugog – Award Recipient – Adam Perks and Lisa Cleveland, Port Perry Smokehouse

A. Gibson advised that the Port Perry Smokehouse has created large print and braille menus as well as an accessible website to promote accessibility and inclusiveness.

Ms. D. Fletcher, Scugog AAC member, accepted the award and congratulations on behalf of Mr. Perks and Ms. Cleveland of Port Perry Smokehouse from M. Sutherland, Chair, Durham Region AAC.

Township of Uxbridge – Award Recipient – Dr. Dennis Milenov and Dr. Clark, Axis Chiropractic

A. Gibson advised that Axis Chiropractic has shown accessibility leadership in the township of Uxbridge. The business recently moved to a more accessible location to ensure that clients living with a disability would be better able to access their services.

Ms. C. Blumenberg, Uxbridge AAC member, accepted the award and congratulations on behalf of Dr. Milenov and Dr. Clark of Axis Chiropractic from M. Sutherland, Chair, Durham Region AAC.

Town of Whitby – Award Recipient – Stephanie Smith, Haircut Housecalls

A. Gibson advised that Stephanie Smith of Haircut Housecalls provides haircutting services to persons who are unable to or have difficulty leaving their homes. Providing this service allows persons with disabilities as well as seniors to continue to have the independence to access personal services from the comfort of their homes.

Ms. S. Smith of Haircut Housecalls accepted the award and congratulations from M. Sutherland, Chair, Durham Region AAC.

A. Gibson thanked all the recipients for their leadership in make Durham a more inclusive and accessible region.

C) Activity by Tracy Schmitt

At this time, Tracy Schmitt requested that the attendees pair up and share their story of an experience or high point in their life. At the end of the activity, Tracy Schmitt requested that everyone share the core factors and key words that encompassed their experiences and stories. The following points were provided: conquering fears; confidence; take action; have courage in spite of fear; vision; perseverance; persistence; focus on passions; focus on positives; and live your dreams.

A. Gibson thanked Tracy Schmitt for attending the forum and for being such an inspiration for all.

4. Round Table Discussion

A. Gibson invited each area AAC to offer a brief highlight of an accomplishment from the past year.

Town of Whitby

- The Town of Whitby was recently awarded two grants from the federal government. The grants will be directed towards assisted listening devices and emergency evacuation chairs.

Township of Uxbridge

- The Township of Uxbridge has started to adopt a more action-oriented wheelchair symbol. This new symbol shows that people who use wheelchairs are vibrant and active and should be depicted as such.

Township of Scugog

- The Township of Scugog has invited the Townships of Brock and Uxbridge to discuss community issues and see how they can work together to improve their communities.

City of Pickering

- The City of Pickering has undertaken major renovations to the customer care area at Pickering's City Hall. The Council Chambers is also being revamped and staff is looking at the election process and its design to be inclusive.

City of Oshawa

- The City of Oshawa has revised their AAC brochure to better update and reflect what they do and they have also created an official You Tube channel. The City has also recently approved a report regarding closed captioning for webstreamed Council and Standing Committee meetings.

Municipality of Clarington

- The Municipality of Clarington is adding audio to the elevators located in the municipal building. They are also connecting with the Board of Trade to provide information regarding accessibility in business practices.

Township of Brock

- The Township of Brock executed an accessibility challenge with grade 10 students at Brock High School. The students were partnered up to compete with tasks that required them to move between locations using wheelchairs, walkers, crutches and canes and provided feedback. As a result of the challenge, it was realized that some areas of the school were not accessible.

Town of Ajax

- The Town of Ajax has been distributing their newsletter to more people and organizations. They have also established a Safe Place to Play park located at Miller's Creek Park for children of all abilities. The Town was also honoured with the David C. Onley Award for Leadership in Accessibility.

Region of Durham

- The Region of Durham is working towards achieving a fully accessible website and the AAC has been active in the redevelopment process.

5. Adjournment

A. Gibson and M. Sutherland thanked everyone for attending the meeting and for their dedication and hard work in making accessibility a priority.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.