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### The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Chief Administrative Officer

Report: #2021-INFO-86 Date: August 13, 2021

#### Subject:

Update on the Reopening of Regional Offices

#### Recommendation:

Receive for information.

#### Report:

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 This report provides Regional Council with an update on the plans to re-open Regional Municipality of Durham (Region) offices and reintroduce in-person services to the public.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 On March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak to be a global pandemic. In response, governments and corporations the world over implemented extraordinary measures to limit the spread of the virus.
- 2.2 On March 17, 2020 the Province of Ontario declared a State of Emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2.3 On March 24, 2020, the Regional Chair declared a State of Emergency in the Region of Durham in response to the number of COVID-19 cases in effect at that time.
- 2.4 The Region remains under the State of Emergency Order issued on March 24, 2020. Across the GTAH, municipalities are considering a cohesive approach to lifting emergency orders, which, for the Region, also involves significant consultation and coordination with the local municipalities. Staff are currently monitoring the vaccination coverage and COVID-19 case levels to assess the response required as the pandemic continues. It is anticipated that with COVID-

19 and its variants still circulating, Public Health units will continue to be significantly involved in pandemic response in the fall. Staff will provide an update to Regional Council when a timeframe for rescinding the current State of Emergency is recommended.

#### 3. Previous Reports and Decisions

- 3.1 On March 18, 2020, all Regional offices were closed to the public except for the Region's Waste Management Facilities and the Regional Environmental Laboratory in response to the Provincial State of Emergency. The process of implementing remote working for staff where operationally possible commenced to ensure continuity of Regional services.
- 3.2 Within Regional facilities where staff continued to be present measures were implemented to encourage physical distancing including limiting occupancy in elevators, directional guidance in stairwells and mandatory pre-screening for COVID-19 symptoms prior to entry. The requirement to wear a mask while within a Regional vehicle with others or when not sitting at an individual workspace was put in place to protect staff that were required to be present in the workplace.

#### 4. Reopening of Regional Offices

- 4.1 The Region moved into Step 3 of the Provincial Reopening Plan on July 16, 2021. On August 3, 2021, the Province announced that elementary and secondary school students will return to the classroom five days per week in the fall, with the caveat that in-person learning may be suspended if COVID-19 cases spike. With the move to Step 3 and the reinstatement of in-person learning, staff are preparing for the reopening of Regional offices to the public and the return of staff to the workplace.
- 4.2 Regional staff will be returning to the workplace on October 12, 2021 in a limited amount, based on priority services. In-person services for Regional programs will be reinstated on October 18, 2021. These dates allow for adequate planning and preparation and provide time to assess conditions in the community for impacts of the broader reopening of the economy and the return to in-person learning.
- 4.3 Participation in multi-jurisdictional tables, discussions with CAOs and staff in the local municipalities and reliance on the guidance of the Province and Public Health continue to inform the planning process to ensure appropriate measures will be in place to prevent the ongoing spread of COVID-19.

#### 5. Steps and Measures for Reopening

#### Assessing Workplace Capacity

5.1 As part of the ongoing Workplace Modernization Project, the Region will be moving to a hybrid work model where operationally appropriate. The hybrid work

model involves staff working both remotely and within the office as required by their specific job duties using shared workspaces referred to as "hotelling" stations. To facilitate this model, workspace booking software has been acquired for staff to book the workspace they require within Regional offices for the duration necessary.

- 5.2 This software has been leveraged to analyze the spacing of workstations and determine the capacity of the building at various levels of staffing. The analysis for space at Regional Headquarters indicates that for the first phase of the return to the office 20 to 30 percent of staff can be accommodated on a daily basis to maintain appropriate physical distancing. The booking software will be used to manage the amount of staff in the building and provide a resource for contact tracing should an issue arise.
- 5.3 Floor plans for other Regional offices are being added to the office booking software to complete the same capacity analysis.
- 5.4 Building capacity will be incrementally increased past October, aligned with the current state of the pandemic and Provincial and Public Health guidance.
- 5.5 Screening of all staff and visitors for COVID-19 symptoms will continue at all Regional offices and facilities as part of the reopening until further guidance is received.

#### Allocation of Capacity

- 5.6 Assessment work is currently underway to determine which in-person services should be reinstated first. Allocation of the available capacity at Regional Headquarters will be made based on these priorities.
- 5.7 The reinstatement of in-person Provincial Offences Court services are governed by the Ministry of the Attorney General. Building capacity will be adjusted as necessary to accommodate Provincial directives.
- 5.8 For other Regional locations, allocation of capacity will vary depending on the level of priority services to be reinstated. Capacity may differ between offices based on the nature and type of in-person services provided. Most satellite locations offer specific services such as counselling, social supports or dental services unlike Regional Headquarters which is the administrative hub for most operating departments.
- 5.9 Regional Council and Committee meetings will continue virtually until October, where it is anticipated that some in-person presence of Councillors and staff will be reinstated.

#### Safety Measures for Staff and Public

5.10 Detailed cleaning and operating protocols are currently in place for all Regional facilities where staff are present. The protocols follow industry best practices and

- Provincial guidance and are currently being updated along with access control measures to reflect the reintroduction of staff and visitors to Regional offices.
- 5.11 Cleaning materials will be made available for staff to sanitize workstations prior to use. Building Operations staff will continue to sanitize touch points in high traffic areas to reduce the potential spread of the virus.
- 5.12 The Ministry of the Attorney General has provided specific guidelines for HVAC monitoring and positive case exposure that must be followed for the reopening of the Provincial Offences Courts.
- 5.13 As part of building measures, access for the public in Regional Headquarters will be restricted to the main lobby and lower level. The elevators and administrative areas will be restricted to staff only. A Visitor Access Protocol has been in place at Regional Headquarters since the onset of the pandemic to administer access to members of the public with appointments to meet with Regional staff. These security enhancements will remain in place as part of the reopening and the overall Workplace Modernization work underway.
- 5.14 Plexiglass partitions have been installed at the Public Front Counter in Regional Headquarters and reception areas at satellite offices. In addition, plexiglass dividers have been provided for interview and consultation rooms to protect staff, visitors and clients as in-person interactions resume.
- 5.15 Until advised, staff working in indoor settings including Regional vehicles will continue to wear the appropriate face coverings as directed by the Province and Public Health.
- 5.16 In addition to safety measures, staff are in the process of developing policies and guidelines for staff to ensure the transition to a hybrid work model is effective. The policies and guidelines leverage lessons learned regarding remote working throughout the pandemic, along with modernizing and updating existing policies to reflect the new workplace.

#### Communication to Staff and the Public

- 5.17 Corporate Communications has designed a comprehensive communications plan to inform staff of the next steps in the reopening of Regional offices.

  Measures include:
  - a. Updating internal website material;
  - b. Corporate messaging through emails and Town Hall sessions with the CAO, and specific departmental messaging through Town Hall session with Commissioners; and
  - c. Posters in key areas reflecting safety measures in place.
- 5.18 Public communications related to the reinstatement of in-person services will be prepared and released as these details are finalized for each location.

#### 6. Relationship to Strategic Plan

- 6.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:
  - a. Goal 2.4 Support a high quality of life for all through human services delivery.
  - b. Goal 5.1 Optimize resources and partnerships to deliver exceptional quality services and value.
  - c. Goal 5.4 Drive organizational success through innovation, a skilled workforce and modernized services.

#### 7. Conclusion

- 7.1 The Regional Municipality of Durham plans to reintroduce some staff currently working remotely back into the office in a phased manner commencing October 12, 2021. In-person services to the public will recommence on October 18, 2021 with the appropriate health and safety measures in place.
- 7.2 Staff will report back to Regional Council as necessary to provide any updates to the reopening plan for Regional offices.
- 7.3 For additional information, contact:

James Kilgour, Director, Durham Emergency Management, Office of the CAO, 905-668-7711 extension 6260; or

Jenni Demanuele, Director, Business Services, Works Department, 905-668-7711 extension 3456.

Respectfully submitted,

#### Original Signed by

Elaine Baxter-Trahair Chief Administrative Officer If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2564



### The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development

Report: #2021-INFO-87 Date: August 13, 2021

#### Subject:

Ontario Shores Living Lab for Mental Health Innovation – Business Case Funding

#### Recommendation:

Receive for information

#### Report:

#### 1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide background information regarding Ontario Shores Centre for Mental Health Sciences (Ontario Shores) plans for a Mental Health Incubator, and the collaborative effort to advance the concept through the development of a business case.
- 1.2 Jointly by the Region's Economic Development & Tourism Division, the Durham Economic Development Partnership (DEDP), and the Region's Strategic Initiatives Division, a one-time contribution of \$30,000 has been made to develop a business case to advance plans for establishing the Ontario Shores Mental Health Incubator, also known as a 'Living Lab'.

#### 2. Background

2.1 Ontario Shores Centre for Mental Health Sciences (Ontario Shores) is a public teaching hospital in Whitby Ontario that provides a range of specialized services and treatment for people living with complex and serious mental illnesses.

- 2.2 Ontario Shores has over a 100-year history in providing services to Durham Region and beyond, with 346 beds, 30 clinical programs, 1,300 dedicated staff, and over 90,000 outpatient visits per year. They are leaders in development and adoption of evidence-based care and new standards of care.
- 2.3 Mental health issues and challenges impact individuals and communities across Canada. Troubling trends in mental health are well documented and, even before the pressures of the COVID-19 pandemic, system and care gaps were well known:
  - a. According to <u>Youth Mental Health Canada</u> (YMHC), an estimated 1.2 million children and youth in Canada are affected by mental illness, but less than 20% will receive appropriate treatment. Additionally, an estimated 75% of children with mental disorders do not access specialized treatment services.
  - b. YMHC notes that in Ontario, it is common for children and youth to wait between six months to a year for counselling and therapy.
  - c. In addition to the negative health outcomes associated with the system gaps and long wait times, a 2008 report by the Centre for Spatial Economics outlined how long wait times have a negative impact on Canada's economy.
  - d. The impact of COVID-19 will continue to exacerbate an already strained system as society grapples with increasing mental health issues, increasing rates of domestic violence, increasing financial pressures and health system pressures as backlogs work to be cleared.
- 2.4 To address some of these challenges, Ontario Shores has identified that new ways of supporting and enabling the acceleration of innovative solutions could help solve challenges in the mental health system. Encouraging private-public collaborations with private sector innovators may be able to address health needs and rapidly scale solutions.
- 2.5 The private sector has also been responding to the opportunity to address mental health challenges through transformation of new services and technology. A 2019 study from Octopus Ventures showed that investment into mental health technology exceeded \$750 Million<sup>1</sup>. Investors are not only seeing the positive economic results from investing in mental health solutions, but also the positive social impact.
- 2.6 Although there are several incubators and accelerators both in Durham Region and across Canada, there are none that are focused on mental health.

 $<sup>^{1} \,</sup> Source: \, \underline{https://www.forbes.com/sites/jamessomauroo/2020/02/24/new-research-shows-global-mental-health-investing-topped-750-million-in-2019/?sh=55628bf74196}$ 

- 2.7 Innovation and Entrepreneurship is a strategic priority for Economic Development in the Region, as an imperative for economic growth and long-term job creation. The Region, through the Economic Development & Tourism Division, contributes financially and through in-kind support to local entrepreneurship and innovation assets in our communities including:
  - a. Business Advisory Centre Durham
  - b. Spark Centre
  - c. 1855 Whitby
  - d. OPEN
- 2.8 In October 2020, Ontario Shores approached staff to discuss an initiative that they had been developing to create Canada's first-ever, Pan-Canadian Mental Health Innovation Incubator, a 'Living Lab' that would drive health, social and economic benefits.

#### 3. Ontario Shores Living Lab – Concept and Opportunities

- 3.1 The vision for the Ontario Shores Living Lab is to connect clinical experts with private sector entrepreneurs; to co-design, co-develop and scientifically evaluate new technologies in the clinical setting. It would focus on the co-development, acceleration, and adoption of mental health-related innovations.
- 3.2 The Mental Health Living Lab is intended to be a place for innovation-oriented collaboration between Ontario Shores clinical, scientific, administrative and health system experts and new and established companies.
  - a. It is expected that the Living Lab will issue a set of challenge statements based on issues that the health system is experiencing. Conceptually, these statements would be issued on regular cycles inviting innovators and firms to address issues the hospital and system are facing.
  - b. Innovators/firms would then team up with Ontario Shores to accelerate their innovative technologies. Depending on the challenge, the team would have access to a variety of resources (ie. staff, data, tools) with an aim to codevelop solutions.

- 3.3 This model would differ from the traditional incubator or accelerator model by:
  - a. Focusing on improving and optimizing the quality and accessibility of mental health patient care and patient outcomes.
  - b. Creating operational efficiencies for health-care providers, hospitals and health systems.
  - c. Creating a scalable innovation model to drive broad-based changes in mental health care.
  - d. Creating opportunities for direct engagement in innovation.
  - e. Establishing new research platforms that advance care.
  - f. Supporting the development of new health technologies and innovations and broader economic development.
  - g. Creating jobs that are led by emerging health technology companies.
  - h. Providing physical laboratory space in the inpatient mental health setting for entrepreneurs to work alongside mental health clinicians and scientists to cocreate innovative solutions for commercialization and business growth.
- 3.4 There are many benefits of accelerating solutions in mental health through a "Living Lab" including:
  - a. Patients and Communities introducing better and accessible care, with a view to positively impact the lives of individuals and families.
  - b. Health Systems and Partners introducing scalable solutions, new knowledge, new capacity, and new strategies.
  - Innovators and Firms providing opportunities for innovators and firms to collaborate and have access to resources to develop and commercialize solutions.
  - d. Greater societal economic impacts addressing mental health issues and challenges through new and transformative approaches.

#### 4. Ontario Shores Living Lab – Advancements and Next Steps

- 4.1 Following the initial discussions in October 2020, Regional staff have been working closely with Ontario Shores to advance the concept of the Mental Health Living Lab.
  - Regional staff have made introductions within the region's innovation ecosystem including to: Spark Centre, 1855 Whitby and Ontario Tech's Brilliant Catalyst.
  - b. Regional staff in the Economic Development & Tourism Division and the CAO's Office have facilitated introductions and conversations with the Ontario

- Centre of Innovation (OCI) to identify opportunities for partnership and understand how to advance the concept.
- c. Regional staff have made introductions to FedDev to identify funding opportunities. FedDev have been providing guidance and input into the concept and identified that a detailed business case is required to proceed to more advanced funding discussions.
- d. Ontario Shores presented the Living Lab concept to Durham Economic Development Partnership (DEDP) to highlight the opportunity to solve important mental health challenges through innovation in Durham Region.
- 4.2 Based on guidance from FedDev to prioritize a detailed business case, Ontario Shores approached the Region with a request to provide financial support to advance the Living Lab Initiative.
- 4.3 In collaboration with all eight municipalities in the DEDP, the CAOs office and Economic Development & Tourism Division, \$30,000 was allocated to Ontario Shores to advance the concept and develop a detailed business case for the Living Lab.

#### 5. Previous Reports and Decisions

5.1 There have been no previous reports or decisions on this topic.

#### 6. Relationship to Strategic Plan

- 6.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:
  - a. Community Vitality
    - 2.2 Enhance community safety and well being
  - b. Economic Prosperity
    - 3.2 Leverage Durham's prime geography, social infrastructure and strong partnerships to foster economic growth.
    - 3.4 Capitalize on Durham's strengths in key economic sectors to attract high quality jobs

#### 7. Conclusion

- 7.1 This initiative is a great example of Durham's municipalities working together towards the common goal of supporting our entrepreneurship and innovation community to help solve the world's biggest challenges.
- 7.2 The funding will support the development of a business case that will be used to apply for federal funding and to create partnerships for this initiative.
- 7.3 The Region is dedicated to leading, facilitating and supporting various investment attraction and expansion initiatives in Durham. Expanding mental health services, supporting innovation, and improving quality of life are highlighted in the Strategic Plan, Regional Recovery Framework and Action Plan, and this activity supports the Region's Intelligent Communities Framework.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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

## Huron - Kinloss

#### The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

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The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau Prime Minister
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON L1A 0A6
justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

Dear Honourable Justin Trudeau,

Re: Copy of Resolution #567

Motion No.: 482

Moved by: Don Murray Seconded by: Lillian Abbott

August 6, 2021

Corporate Services Department  Legislative Services Division		
Date & Time	August 09, 2021	
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THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby supports Chatham Kent and the City of Kitchener in endorsing MP Peter Julian's private member's motion, Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents and his private member's bill, Bill-C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act AND directs Staff to circulate as appropriate.

#### **Carried**

Sincerely,

Kelly Lush Deputy Clerk

c.c The Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalies



#### **Municipality of Chatham-Kent**

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Municipal Governance
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July 6, 2021

Via Email: <a href="mailto:peter.julian@parl.gc.ca">peter.julian@parl.gc.ca</a>

Honourable Peter Julian MP House of Commons Suite 203, Wellington Building Ottawa ON K1A 0A6

Re: Support Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents and Private Member's Bill C-313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent at its regular meeting held on June28, 2021 passed the following motion:

Moved by CI Crew Second by CI Latimer

"That the Municipality of Chatham-Kent Council support MP Peter Julian's private member's motion, Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents and his private member's bill Bill-C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act".

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

Sincerely,

Judy Smith, CMO

**Director Municipal Governance** 

Clerk /Freedom of Information Coordinator

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Local MP & MPP

**Ontario Municipalities** 



#### CHRISTINE TARLING

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July 12, 2021

Right Honourable Justin Trudeau Prime Minister of Canada Office of the Prime Minister 80 Wellington Street Ottawa ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on Monday June 28, 2021, passed the following resolution with respect to Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents and private member's bill Bill-C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act:

"WHEREAS racism and hate crimes in Kitchener have been on the rise since the start of the global pandemic; and,

WHEREAS the City of Kitchener continues to seek opportunities to dismantle systemic racism; and,

WHEREAS the City's Strategic Plan has identified Caring Community as a priority, and the proposed motion M-84 Anti-hate crimes and incidents and private member's bill Bill-C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act supports several of the bodies of work currently being moved forward under this strategic goal; and.

WHEREAS MP Peter Julian's motion M-84 Anti-hate crimes and incidents and private member's bill Bill-C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act is an opportunity to make all Canadians feel safer in the communities that they live;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED that the City of Kitchener endorses MP Peter Julian's private member's motion, Motion M-84 Anti-Hate Crimes and Incidents and his private member's bill Bill-C 313 Banning Symbols of Hate Act; and,

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Minister of Municipal Affairs Steve Clark, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism Parm Gill, to the local

MP's and MPP's, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, to the Association of Municipalities Ontario, and all other municipalities in Ontario."

Yours truly,

L. Tarling

C. Tarling

Director of Legislated Services

& City Clerk

c: Hon. Minister Steve Clark

Hon, Minister Parm Gill

Mike Harris (Kitchener Conestoga), MPP

Amy Fee (Kitchener South-Hespeler), MPP

Laura Mae Lindo (Kitchener Centre), MPP

Catherine Fife (Waterloo), MPP

Raj Saini (Kitchener Centre), MP

Tim Louis (Kitchener Conestoga), MP

Bardish Chagger (Waterloo), MP

Marwan Tabbara (Kitchener South-Hespeler), MP

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Legislative Services Division

All Ontario Municipalities

Date & August 09, 2021
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Received: 10:43 am

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Take Appropriate Action File

Notes/Comments:

Re: Copy of Resolution #567

Motion No.: 571

Moved by: Jeff Elliott Seconded by: Jim Hanna

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole supports the City of Mississauga in their call upon the Government of Canada to terminate its appeal of the 2019 Human Rights Tribunal Ruling, ordering Ottawa to pay compensation to First Nations Children and their families, separated in a chronically underfunded child welfare system that sees Indigenous children making up more than half the children in foster care even though they comprise only 7% of all the children under the age of 15 in Canada AND further directs Staff to circulate as appropriate.

#### **Carried**

Sincerely,

Kelly Lush Deputy Clerk

c.c The Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalies



#### RESOLUTION 0155-2021 adopted by the Council of The Corporation of the City of Mississauga at its meeting on June 30, 2021

0155-2021 Moved by: P. Saito Seconded by: C. Parrish

WHEREAS The City of Mississauga operates on the Treaty and Traditional Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and Anishinaabe peoples, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy and the Huron-Wendat First Nation. We recognize that these peoples, and their ancestors live and lived on these lands since time immemorial on these lands called Turtle Island. The City of Mississauga is home to many First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples; and

**WHEREAS** the residents of the Town, now City, of Mississauga chose for their name an anishinaabemowim name which speaks to the shared settler and Indigenous history within these lands; and

**WHEREAS** the City of Mississauga has committed to a path towards Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples and has responded to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action; and

**WHEREAS** the City of Mississauga is committed to speaking truths about our history to further our collective understanding of the past to help create a better future; and

**WHEREAS** the terrible uncovering of over one thousand unmarked and forgotten children burials at residential schools which have been reported over the past month is a truth about Canada's past; and

**WHEREAS** because of these truths the government of Canada has declared this year's Canada Day should be a time of reflection and focus on reconciliation; and

**WHEREAS** Gimaa Stacey LaForme of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation has called for this to be a time for supporting each other and contemplating the legacy and future of Canada; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Mississauga will mark Canada Day virtually this year in a manner that provides an opportunity for reflection on our shared history and commitment to a better future:

- Singing of National Anthem
- Greetings and Opening Remarks, Mayor Bonnie Crombie
- Comments from Mayor of Kariya, Japan Takeshi Inagaki
- Comments from Gimaa Stacey LaForme
- Oath of Reaffirmation performed by Members of Council
- Closing Remarks, Mayor Bonnie Crombie
- Lighting the Clock Tower orange to remember those lives lost and changed forever as a result of residential schools

Changing the digital signage at the Square to "As we mark Canada Day, the City
of Mississauga stands in solidarity with Indigenous communities across Canada."

#### **AND FURTHER** to mark this Canada Day:

That the Council of the City of Mississauga call upon the Government of Canada to terminate its appeal of the 2019 Human Rights Tribunal Ruling, ordering Ottawa to pay compensation to First Nations Children and their families, separated in a chronically underfunded child welfare system that sees Indigenous children making up more than half the children in foster care even though they comprise only 7% of all the children under the age of 15 in Canada.

**AND** That this Resolution be sent to all municipalities in Canada.

Recorded Vote	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Mayor B. Crombie	Х			
Councillor S. Dasko	Х			
Councillor K. Ras	Х			
Councillor C. Fonseca	Х			
Councillor J. Kovac	Х			
Councillor C. Parrish	Х			
Councillor R. Starr	Х			
Councillor D. Damerla	Х			
Councillor M. Mahoney	Х			
Councillor P. Saito	Х			
Councillor S. McFadden	Х			
Councillor G. Carlson	Х			

Unanimous (12, 0)

## Huron - Kinloss

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August 6, 2021

File

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau Prime Minister
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Take Appropriate Action

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Re: Copy of Resolution #572

Motion No.: 572

Moved by: Ed McGugan Seconded by: Carl Sloetjes

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole supports the Town of Cochrane and the town of Plympton-Wyoming in their request for the Federal and Provincial Governments to have the prostate blood test (PSAtest) be included in the national health care system AND directs Staff to circulate as appropriate.

#### **Carried**

Sincerely,

Kelly Lush Deputy Clerk

c.c Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario ,The Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalies

#### THE TOWN OF COCHRANE

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"Via Email: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

June 24th, 2021

The Honourable Justin Trudeau Prime Minister of Canada Office of the Prime Minister 80 Wellington Street Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister Trudeaut

Re: Motion to Include the PSA Test for Men into the Medical Care

This will serve to advise you that Council, at its regular meeting held Tuesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, passed the following resolution:

"Resolution No. 182-2021

Moved By: Robert Hutchinson Seconded By: Daniel Belisle

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WHEREAS 1.5 million Canadian men are not seeking the early detection PSA testing and

WHEREAS prostrate cancer is the most common cancer in men and

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WHEREAS men who wish to have this test done have to pay \$33.00 for the test



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#### Carried"

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated!

Yours Truly,

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COCHRANE

Alice Mercier

Clerk

/am

c.c.: Hon. Doug Ford Premier of Ontario,

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#### Motion 6

Moved by Mike Vasey, Seconded by Gary Atkinson that Council support item 'm' of correspondence from The Town of Cochrane regarding a motion to Include the PSA Test for Men into the Medical Care.

Motion Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at <a href="mailto:ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca">ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca</a>.

Sincerely,

Erin Kwarciak

Clerk

Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Cc: (via e-mail)

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### ONTARIO'S WATCHDOG CHIEN DE GARDE DE L'ONTARIO

#### Greetings,

I am pleased to send you two hard copies of my latest Annual Report (one English, one French). This report covers the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

This is our Office's fifth full fiscal year of reporting on our oversight of municipalities, universities and school boards, in addition to provincial government organizations. It is also our second year of reporting on children and youth in care, and French language services. I hope that you and all stakeholders in these areas will find the information in this report of interest. (The French Language Services Commissioner also published a separate Annual Report in December 2020, and her next report will be released later this year.)

We encourage you to read the chapters of the report that relate to the topic areas relevant to your interests. In each chapter, we discuss the most common issues and the types of cases we have resolved across the province. Please feel free to share this information with any interested colleagues and stakeholders.

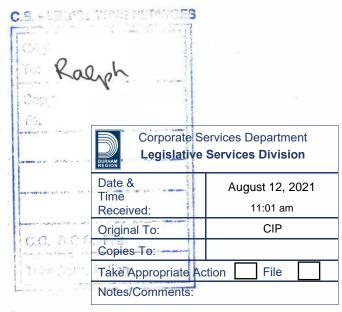
You can find the entire report, media materials and backgrounders, and statistics on our website here: <a href="https://www.ombudsman.on.ca/resources/reports-and-case-summaries/annual-reports">https://www.ombudsman.on.ca/resources/reports-and-case-summaries/annual-reports</a> As well, we would be happy to provide more copies upon request.

Should you have any questions about the report or cases related to your organization, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are also happy to assist you with any general questions about our work. Our staff can be reached via email at info@ombudsman.on.ca.

Sincerely,

Paul Dubé,

Ombudsman of Ontario



If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2097.

#### The Regional Municipality of Durham

#### MINUTES

#### TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### **Tuesday, May 18, 2021**

A meeting of the Transit Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 in the Council Chambers, Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 7:00 PM. In accordance with Provincial legislation, electronic participation was permitted for this meeting.

#### 1. Roll Call

Present: Commissioner Barton, Chair

J. Beaton, Whitby

K. Chen, Student Association representative, Ontario Tech University, Durham College and Trent University

R. Claxton-Oldfield, Clarington, attended the meeting at 7:26 PM

H. Hall, AAC

J. Layne, Oshawa

I. Liang, Scugog

J. Martin, Brock

M. Roche, AAC

G. Weddel, Uxbridge

#### All members of Committee participated electronically

Absent: C. Antram, Ajax

K. Ginter, Member at Large

J. Hollingsworth, Member at Large

A. Macci, Pickering

#### Staff

Present:

\*A. McKinley, Deputy General Manager, Maintenance, Durham Region Transit

\*J. Austin, General Manager, Business Services, Durham Region Transit

\*M. Binetti, Transportation Service Design, Durham Region Transit,

\*R. Inacio, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT

\*C. Norris, Deputy General Manager, Operations, Durham Region Transit \*C. Tennisco, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

\* denotes staff participating electronically

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 3. Introduction of new Committee Member - Heather Hall

Chair Barton introduced Heather Hall, the new representative on TAC for the Accessibility Advisory Committee. At the request of the Chair, Heather Hall provided a brief overview of herself.

#### 4. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by J. Beaton, Seconded by J. Martin,
That the minutes of the regular Durham Region Transit Advisory
Committee meeting held on Tuesday, March 23, 2021, be adopted.
CARRIED

#### 5. Presentations

5.1 Jamie Austin, Deputy General Manager, Business Services, DRT and Christopher Norris, Deputy General Manager, Operations, DRT re: Transit Assistance Program and Secondary Student Transportation Incentives

Jamie Austin and Christopher Norris provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Transit Assistance Program (TAP) and Secondary Student Transportation Incentives. J. Austin advised that the presentation provides an update on the DRT's reduced cost fare initiatives, including incentives to support the secondary schools' students.

J. Austin provided an overview of the Transit Assistance Program (TAP) Pilot.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Overview: TAP Pilot Evaluation
- TAP Background
- Evaluation Methodology
- Summary of Results
- TAP Customer Characteristics
- TAP Card Usage
- Overall Customer Experience with TAP
- What Customers Like About TAP
- What Customer Do Not Like About TAP
- Caseworkers Impressions of TAP
- Recommendations
- Comparing TAP and the Access Pass
- J. Austin provided an overview of the recommendations to: extend the TAP pilot through to March 2023; the Pay-as-you-go and Period Pass for TAP customers; discontinue the paper Access Pass by the end of 2021; waive the PRESTO card fee for Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP) clients

shifting to TAP; develop a Communications strategy to build awareness and explain the TAP functions; investigate direct payment options with Social Services and the Province; and, assess the expansion potential to other vulnerable groups.

- J. Austin noted that the Transit Executive Committee (TEC) adopted the recommendations, outlined in Report #2021-DRT-06: Transit Assistance Program pilot evaluation, at their meeting held on April 7, 2021.
- C. Norris provided an overview of the Secondary Student Transportation Program and recommendations. He advised that the presentation outlines the market opportunities for school boards' students within the Region of Durham including the Durham Student Transportation Services secondary students.

Highlights of his presentation included:

- Child and Youth Fares
  - Initiatives
- Market Opportunities
  - Secondary Students in Durham Region
- Recommendations
  - Fares
- C. Norris provided an overview of the recommendations that effective September 2021, the Y10 pass be discounted to \$63.50, from \$73.50; that a bulk pass purchase pilot be available to school boards in Durham Region and Durham Student Transportation Services with a minimum purchase of 570 monthly passes per month to qualify for a \$20 discount; and, that a report on the Y10 and Bulk Pass program will be brought back to TEC in June 2022 on the results of the pass programs.
- C. Norris advised that at the Transit Executive Committee meeting held on April 7, 2021 TEC amended Part A) of the recommendations, of Report #2021-DRT-07: Secondary student transportation, to increase the discounted Y10 pass cost of \$73.50, by \$20.00, to lower the Y10 pass cost to \$53.50.

#### 6. Correspondence Items

6.1 Direction Memo to Cheryl Tennisco, Committee Clerk, advising that Regional Council at its meeting on April 28, 2021 approved the appointment of Heather Hall, as the Accessibility Advisory Committee representative to the Transit Advisory Committee

Moved by J. Beaton, Seconded by J. Layne,

That Correspondence to Cheryl Tennisco, Committee Clerk, Regional Municipality of Durham, dated April 28, 2021, re: the appointment of Heather Hall as the Accessibility Advisory Committee member to Transit, be received for information.

CARRIED

#### 7. Information Items

#### 7.1 General Manager's Report – April 7, 2021 (2021-DRT-05)

Report #2021-DRT-05 from B. Holmes, General Manager, Durham Region Transit, was received.

Moved by J. Beaton, Seconded by J. Layne,
That Information Item 7.1 be received for information.
CARRIED

#### 7.2 Paper transfers (2021-DRT-08)

Report #2021-DRT-08 from B. Holmes, General Manager, Durham Region Transit, was received.

Chair Barton recognized the efforts of the TAC regarding re-implementing the paper transfer.

A. McKinley advised the Committee that the issuing of paper transfers for cash and single cash ticket fares was re-introduced on May 3, 2021. She further advised, that to date, there appears to be no issues; and, that staff will review and report back, at a later date, to TEC on Durham Region Transit's current fare payment processes.

Moved by J. Beaton, Seconded by, J. Layne
That Information Item 7.2 be received for information.
CARRIED

#### 7.3 On Demand outcomes and next steps (2021-DRT-09)

Moved by J. Layne, Seconded by J. Martin,
That Information Item 7.3 be received for information.
CARRIED

#### 7.4 <u>General Manager's Report – May 5, 2021 (2021-DRT-10)</u>

At the request of the Chair, A. McKinley provided an overview of the ridership levels, including the fluctuation in the ridership resulting from the extension of the April 2021 'Stay At Home' provincial order. She advised that DRT staff continues to monitor the levels of the ridership; and, that staff anticipates that ridership will increase when the students return to classes in the fall.

The Committee questioned whether the ridership increased from the customers who use transit to travel to and from a vaccination clinic within Durham Region. A. McKinley advised yes, and ,noted that this service has been well received by the customers in the Region.

R. Claxton-Oldfield advised the Committee that he attended a Public Information Centre and was impressed with the proposed 5 Year Service Plan for transit and going forward. He asked about the transit service plans for this September, and when the Members will be advised of these plans to inform any transit riders who may inquire. M. Binetti advised that a Report on the DRT service plans will be coming forward at the June 2, 2021 Transit Executive Committee meeting.

A. McKinley advised that the Committee Clerk will email a copy of the Report to the members when available.

Moved by R. Claxton-Oldfield, Seconded by M. Roche, That Information Item 7.4 be received for information. CARRIED

#### 7.5 Zero Fare Transit – Experience and Implications (2021-DRT-11)

- J. Beaton inquired whether staff has considered what a desirable transit rate would be, in terms of a zero fare and the current fare rate.
- J. Austin discussed the challenges, outlined in the Report, related to zero fare transit systems; and, the experiences in other jurisdictions in terms of customers priorities for service reliability and cleanliness over zero fares. He advised that at the May 5, 2021 TEC meeting staff was asked to look at options to pursue various transit fare incentives, service investments, and the overall lost revenues and funding pressures associated with a discounted and zero fare transit system. J. Austin added that the DRT Long Term Transit Strategy envisions DRT shifting from an age based structure to an individual's ability to pay.

Discussion ensued regarding the opportunity for a free fare program, post-COVID, to grow the DRT ridership levels in certain zones including the downtown areas.

J. Austin responded to questions regarding the requirement for DRT's participation in the PRESTO agreement; the implications of a zero fare transit system with respect to the Provincial Gas Tax funding; the potential for a Greater Toronto Hamilton Area (GTHA) common fare; and, the need for a DRT competitive fare.

Moved by J. Martin, Seconded by J. Beaton,
That Information Item 7.5 be received for information.
CARRIED

#### 8. Discussion Items

There were no discussion items to be considered.

#### 9. Other Business

#### 9.1 <u>Eligibility Review – Specialized Service Process</u>

At the request of M. Roche, A. McKinley provided an overview of the Eligibility Review – Specialized Service process. She advised that letters are being sent out to inactive registered clients that need to re-register to qualify to maintain their services.

- J. Beaton inquired whether the window for Specialized Service clients to reregister could be extended, due to the extra burden of COVID, or take place via a telephone call. A. McKinley advised she would follow-up with staff in regards to the processes.
- M. Roche asked staff whether the client requires a signed form from their physician to requalify for the Specialized Services.
- A. McKinley advised that she would arrange for staff to present on the Eligibility Review Specialized Service process at the September 21, 2021 TAC meeting.

#### 10. Date of Next Meetings

Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 7:00 PM

#### 11. Adjournment

Moved by J. Layne, Seconded by J. Martin, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting a	djourned at 8:02: PM.
D. Barton, Cha	air, Transit Advisory Committee
C. Tennisco, C	Committee Clerk