

## The Regional Municipality of Durham COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE May 12, 2017

#### **Information Reports**

2017-INFO-52 Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development - Regional Cycling Communications Plan Progress Report and 2017 Workplan

#### **Early Release Reports**

- 2017-COW-\*\* Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development Public Meeting Report - Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Lakewinds Farm Limited, to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels, in the Township of Brock, File: OPA 2017-01
- 2017-COW-\*\* Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development Public Meeting Report - Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by 1725596 Ontario Limited, to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels in the Municipality of Clarington, File: OPA 2017-002;
- 2017-COW-\*\* Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development Public Meeting Report - Renaming portions of three existing Regional Roads and the naming of new Regional Road alignments in the City of Pickering (Seaton)

Early release reports will be considered at the **June 7**, **2017** Committee of the Whole meeting.

#### Staff Correspondence

- 1. Memorandum from David Perkins, Planner re: New Application for a Regional Official Plan Amendment, OPA 2017-002
- 2. Memorandum from Dr. R. Kyle Commissioner Medical Officer of Health re: Health Information Update – May 5, 2017

3. Memorandum from Dr. R. Kyle – Commissioner and Medical Officer of Health – re: Audit by the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario

#### **Durham Municipalities Correspondence**

There are no Durham Municipalities Correspondence

#### **Other Municipalities Correspondence/Resolutions**

- 1. City of Markham re: CTC Source Protection Plan (2015) Official Plan Amendment
- 2. Township of Essa re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on April 19, 2017, New Driver Sign

#### Miscellaneous Correspondence

- 1. Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority emailing Regional Council unapproved minutes of the April 22, 2017 meeting of the Full Authority of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority
- 2. Jeff Davis, Durham Region Resident, emailing Legislative Services regarding Council Seat qualifications
- 3. Toronto and Region Conservation Authority advising Resolution #A51/17, as amended by Resolution #A52/17 was approved at their April 21, 2017 meeting in regard to Cornerstone Standards Council Certification for Aggregate: Procurement of Responsible Aggregate Materials
- 4. Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority emailing their 2016 Lake Simcoe Subwatershed Plans Implementation Report
- 5. Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport requesting comments on the Ontario Cycling Strategy, #CycleON by May 26, 2017

#### Advisory Committee Minutes

- 1. Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force Committee minutes April 19, 2017
- 2. Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes April 25, 2017
- 3. Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee (DAAC) minutes May 2, 2017

#### Action Items from Council (For Information Only)

Action Items from Committee of the Whole and Regional Council meetings

Members of Council – Please advise the Regional Clerk at <u>clerks@durham.ca</u> 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.

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: | #2017-INFO-52                                     |
| Date:   | May 5, 2017                                       |

#### Subject:

Regional Cycling Communications Plan Progress Report and 2017 Workplan, File D28-32-07

#### **Recommendation:**

Receive for information

#### **Report:**

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of Cycle Durham's activities in 2016 to implement the Regional Cycling Communications Plan (RCCP) and an overview of the 2017 Workplan.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1 To complement the Regional Cycling Plan (RCP), a three-year RCCP was approved by Regional Council in December 2014. The mandate of the RCCP is to provide support for current cyclists, encourage more people to cycle, and educate road users on how they can safely share the road.
- 2.2 The first year of the workplan included the development of a campaign identity, advertising and promotional materials, event materials, and video production.
- 2.3 The second year of the workplan included ongoing advertising and promotion, participation in local community events, video production, and student engagement.

#### 3. 2016 Progress Report

- 3.1 Key activities undertaken in 2016 include the following:
  - A number of communications were delivered starting in May 2016 to kick off the cycling season, including:
    - Spring briefing note an introductory Spring briefing note provided information on goals and activities during the year;
    - Social media various social media platforms were used to promote the activities and events on the Cycle Durham initiative, as well as tips and resources on cycling safety and road sharing; and
    - Cycle Durham website updates and enhancements were made to the website on an ongoing basis to meet the objective of becoming the Region's primary source for cycling related information.
  - The Region participated in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) wide Bike Month campaign from May 31 to June 30. Activities included:
    - Bike to Work Day, Monday, May 30 residents were encouraged to ride their bikes to work. An event was hosted at Durham Regional Headquarters to encourage Regional employees to cycle;
    - Bike to School Week Regional staff from the Planning Division and Health Department worked with 33 schools in Durham to organize Bike to School Week events from May 30 to June 3. Students from participating schools were encouraged to ride their bikes to school and received various materials, resources, and promotional items; and
    - Local events Cycle Durham was present at various local community events to educate, promote, and create cycling awareness.
  - Summer education, marketing, and promotional activities included:
    - Cycling video challenge encouraged citizens to capture the fun and excitement of cycling in Durham during July 2016. Entrants were featured in a promotional video shared on various social media platforms;
    - Radio advertisement campaigns aired on Durham Radio Stations (i.e. KX96, The Rock, and CKDO) to remind drivers to share the road safely;
    - Cyclist and driver awareness campaigns provided continuous communications into the summer and fall months including: social media engagement, website updates, advertising campaigns, and local event participation.

- The Region collaborated with the area municipalities to create a cycling network map that includes all current cycling facilities and infrastructure across Durham Region. Once completed, this map will be updated on an annual basis. The map will be housed on the Cycle Durham website.
- Regional staff from the Planning Division and Health Department were engaged in various initiatives to further cycling educations, including:
  - Durham Active School Travel a study was completed on active school travel in Durham to identify programming. The consultation process involved stakeholders representing various groups including: area municipalities, school boards, the Durham Student Transportation Consortia, local parent committees, and cycling groups;
  - Cycling education curriculum regional staff worked in partnership with Metrolinx to develop a curriculum that integrated cycling at various grade levels. It is currently in the pilot testing phase; and
  - Education and resources cycling safety brochures, books, bike lights, bells, and other equipment were distributed to various area municipality led cycling safety programs.
- Fall and winter promotion included:
  - Cycling and driving safety video series development of a series of videos illustrating safe cycling techniques and maneuvers in various road situations for both drivers and cyclists. These videos will be available in Spring; and
  - Cycling safety workshops two workshops were facilitated in Ajax and Whitby; topics included: cycling in various weather conditions, preparing your bicycle for winter, and tips on appropriate safety gear.

#### 4. 2017-18 Workplan

- 4.1 Key activities to be undertaken in 2017 and 2018 include the following:
  - Communications commencing in Spring 2017 to kick-off the cycling season, include:
    - Spring briefing note to introduce the 2017 campaign goals, and activities planned for the year;
    - Social media to promote various activities and events as part of the Cycle Durham Initiative, and to share tips and resources on safe cycling and roadsharing; and
    - Cycle Durham website update ongoing updates and enhancements

including area municipal and cross-regional events and activities.

- The Region will participate in the annual GTHA Bike Month campaign from May 29 to June 30. Some of the activities will include:
  - Bike to Work Day On Monday May 29, residents will be encouraged to ride their bikes to work. An event will be hosted at Durham Regional Headquarters to encourage Regional employees to cycle;
  - Bike to School Week Between May 29 and June 2, students from participating schools will be encouraged to ride their bikes to school and will receive materials and promotional items for taking part.
- Activities and communications planned for the Summer and Fall will include:
  - Cyclist and driver awareness campaigns education and communications related to cycling will continue into the Summer and Fall, including: social media engagement, website updates, advertising campaigns, and participation at local events;
  - Radio ad campaigns similar to previous years, radio ads will be aired on Durham Radio Stations to promote safe cycling and remind drivers to share the road;
  - Local Events Cycle Durham will be present at local community events to educate, promote, and create cycling awareness;
  - Regional Bike Ride a multi-distance car-free road ride to accommodate all categories of cyclists will be held to celebrate cycling successes in Durham; and
  - Cycling Training Increase education opportunities in Durham for both adult and youth cyclists through cycling training programs and community group partnerships. Applications will also be made for any available funding to assist with the provision of cycling training programs.
- Regional staff from the Planning Division and Health Department will work together to further cycling education and student engagement through various activities, including developing safety and health related materials for elementary and secondary schools students in Durham. Information will be disseminated through existing programs run by Public Health Nurses and the Durham Regional Police.
- A "Bicycle Account" document will be developed to provide a summary of bicycle activity and infrastructure, and the riding public's perception on cycling in Durham. This document will help to determine where there are successes in Durham and

where additional work and resources are required to achieve a "Bike Friendly Community" accreditation. The Bicycle Friendly Community Program is administered by the Share the Road Cycling Coalition.

#### 5. Conclusions and Next Steps

5.1 The Regional Cycling Communications Plan will continue to provide for a wellinformed and safe cycling community in Durham that is inclusive of cyclists, pedestrians, and motorists. The integration of messaging regarding cycling across all Regional Departments, area municipalities, and other cycling interests in Durham is integral for the success of this Plan, as well as safe cycling in the Region.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

B.E. Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2564

### EARLY RELEASE OF REPORT



The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

| To:     | Committee of the Whole                            |
|---------|---|
| From:   | Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development |
| Report: | #2017-COW-**                                      |
| Date:   | June 7, 2017                                      |

#### Subject:

#### Public Meeting Report

Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Lakewinds Farm Limited, to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels, in the Township of Brock, File: OPA 2017-001

#### **Recommendations:**

That the Committee of the Whole recommends to Regional Council:

- A) That Commissioner's Report #2017-COW-\*\* be received for information; and
- B) That all submissions received be referred to the Planning Division for consideration.

#### **Report:**

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 On April 4, 2017, Clark Consulting Services, on behalf of Lakewinds Farm Limited, submitted an application to amend the Durham Regional Official Plan (ROP) to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels in the Township of Brock.

1.2 A "Notice of Complete Application and Public Meeting" regarding the application has been advertised in the appropriate newspaper. Notice of this meeting has also been mailed to those who own land within 120 metres (400 feet) of the subject site. This report was made available to the public prior to the meeting.

#### 2. Site Description

- 2.1 The subject site is located on the south side of Thorah Concession Road 2, north of Regional Highway 48, between Sideroad 17 and Regional Highway 12/48, in the Township of Brock (Refer to Attachment #1). The site is legally described as Part of N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> and Part of S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> of Lot 15, Concession 1, in the Former Township of Thorah.
- 2.2 The site is irregular in shape and gently slopes downward from north to south. The site is approximately 39 hectares (97 acres) in size, with 26 hectares (64 acres) used for cultivation. The southern portion of the site contains a significant wetland and woodland. A house, barn and silo are located at the north portion of the site. The barn on the farm parcel is proposed to be retained for the storage of farm machinery.
- 2.3 The surrounding land uses include:
  - a) North agricultural lands, and rural residences;
  - b) East agricultural lands, rural residences, and Regional Highway 12 & 48;
  - c) South Regional Highway 48, rural residences, and agricultural lands; and
  - d) West agricultural lands, rural residences, and Sideroad 17.
- 2.4 The proposed amendment to the ROP would permit the severance of a 1.07 hectare (2.7 acre) parcel including the existing dwelling, retaining a 36 hectare (94 acre) farm parcel. The dwelling is not utilized by a farm employee and is currently being rented.

#### 3. Reports Submitted in Support of the Application

3.1 A Planning Justification Report/Agricultural Assessment prepared by Clark Consulting Services Ltd., dated March 2017, has been submitted in support of the application. The report concludes that the proposed amendment meets the objectives and requirements of the Provincial Policy Statement, the Greenbelt Plan, the ROP, and the Minimum Distance of Separation (MDS) requirements.

- 3.2 An Inventory of Lakewinds Farm Limited Land Holdings prepared by Clark Consulting Services Ltd. indicates the applicant owns 7 agricultural properties in the Township of Brock and 1 agricultural property in the City of Kawartha Lakes (Refer to Attachment #2). The applicant's land holdings total approximately 366 hectares (905 acres), of which 313 hectares (774 acres) is being used for cultivating cash crops. Five of the applicant's farm properties contain a dwelling. The report also indicates the house on the subject site is not utilized by a farm employee and is surplus to the farm operation.
- 3.3 An Environmental Site Screening Questionnaire (SSQ) completed by Golder Associates indicates that there are no issues of potential environmental concern on the subject site.

#### 4. Provincial Policies

4.1 The subject site is located within the Protected Countryside of the Greenbelt Plan. Both the Greenbelt Plan and the Provincial Policy Statement permit the severance of a residence surplus to a farming operation as a result of farm consolidation, provided that the planning authority ensures that a residential dwelling is not permitted on the proposed retained farm lot created by the severance.

#### 5. Durham Regional Official Plan

- 5.1 The subject site is designated "Prime Agricultural Areas" in the ROP. The policies of the ROP state that Prime Agricultural Areas shall be used primarily for agricultural and farm-related uses.
- 5.2 Policy 9A.2.10 of the ROP permits the severance of a farm dwelling rendered surplus as a result of a farmer acquiring a non-abutting farm, provided that:
  - a) the dwelling is not needed for a farm employee;
  - b) the farm parcel is of a size which is viable for farming operations;
  - c) within the Protected Countryside of the Greenbelt Plan Area, the dwelling was in existence as of December 16, 2004; and
  - d) the farm parcel is zoned to prohibit any further severances and the establishment of any residential dwelling.

#### 6. Consultation

6.1 The ROP Amendment has been circulated to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs; the Township of Brock; the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority; and the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

#### 7. Public Participation

- 7.1 Anyone who attends the public meeting may present an oral submission, and/or provide a written submission to the Committee of the Whole on the proposed amendment. Also, any person may make written submissions at any time before Regional Council makes a decision.
- 7.2 If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or does not make written submissions before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body:
  - a) is not entitled to appeal the decision to the Ontario Municipal Board; and
  - b) may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there is reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.
- 7.3 Anyone wishing to be notified of Regional Council's decision on the proposed ROP Amendment must submit a written request to:

Brian Bridgman, MCIP, RPP Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development Planning and Economic Development Department Regional Municipality of Durham Durham Region Headquarters 605 Rossland Road East Whitby, ON L1N 6A3

#### 8. Future Regional Council Decision

8.1 The Committee of the Whole will consider the proposed ROP Amendment at a future meeting, and will make a recommendation to Regional Council. Council's decision will be final unless appealed.

8.2 All persons who make oral submissions, or have requested notification in writing, will be given written notice of the future meeting of the Committee of the Whole and Regional Council at which the ROP Amendment will be considered.

#### 9. Attachments

Attachment #1:Location SketchAttachment #2:Inventory of Lakewinds Farm Limited Land Holdings

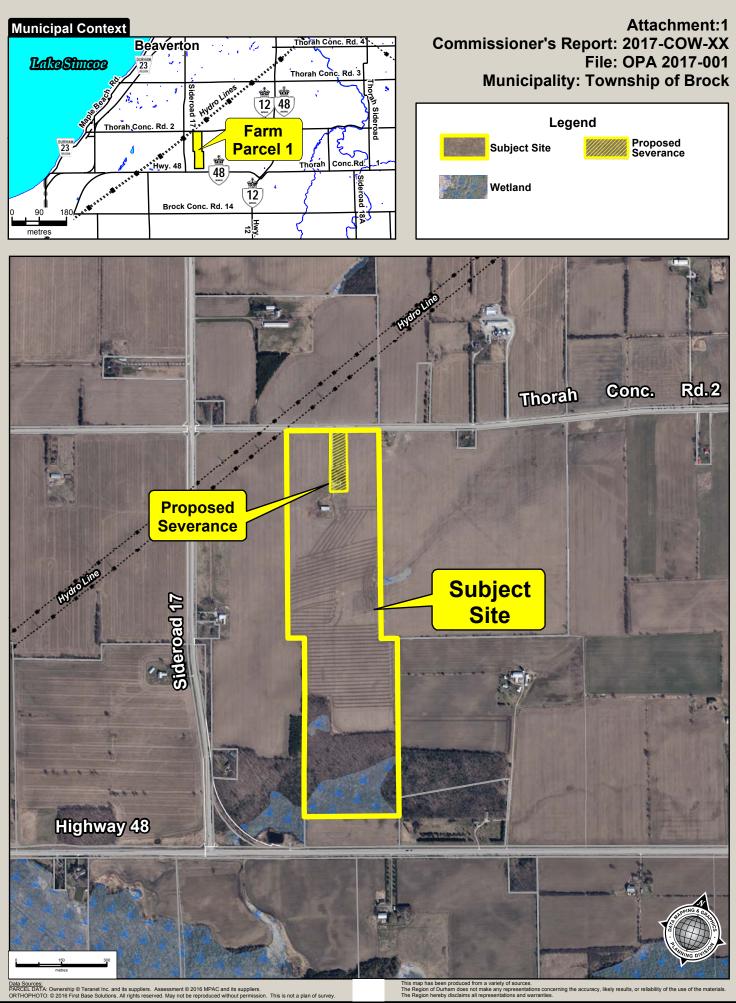
Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

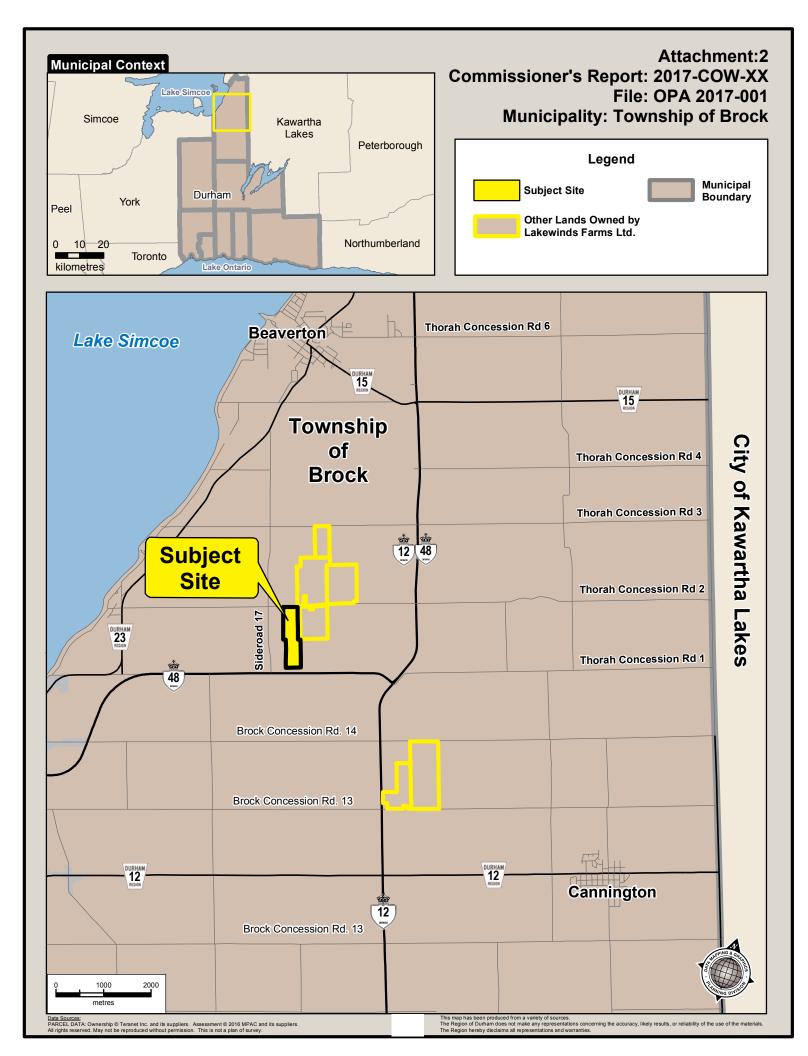
B.E. Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development

Recommended for Presentation to Committee

G.H. Cubitt, MSW Chief Administrative Officer



This map has been produced fro The Region of Durham does not The Region hereby disclaims all



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

#### EARLY RELEASE OF REPORT



The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

| To:     | Committee of the Whole                            |
|---------|---|
| From:   | Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development |
| Report: | #2017-COW-**                                      |
| Date:   | June 7, 2017                                      |

#### Subject:

**Public Meeting Report** 

Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by 1725596 Ontario Limited, to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels in the Municipality of Clarington, File: OPA 2017-002.

#### **Recommendations:**

That the Committee of the Whole recommends to Regional Council:

- A) That Commissioner's Report #2017-COW-\*\* be received for information; and
- B) That all submissions received be referred to the Planning Division for consideration.

#### **Report:**

#### 1. Purpose

- 1.1 On April 7, 2017, Ronald F. Worboy, on behalf of 1725596 Ontario Limited, submitted an application to amend the Durham Regional Official Plan (ROP) to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels in the Municipality of Clarington.
- 1.2 A "Notice of Complete Application and Public Meeting" regarding the application has been advertised in the Clarington This Week newspaper. Notice of this

meeting has also been mailed to those who own land within 120 metres (400 feet) of the subject site. The report was made available to the public prior to the meeting.

#### 2. Site Description

- 2.1 The subject property is located on the west side of Riley Road approximately 830 metres south of Highway 401, between Metcalf Street and Lakeshore Road (refer to Attachment No. 1). The property is legally described as Part of Lot 25, Broken Front Concession, in the Municipality of Clarington.
- 2.2 The site is generally rectangular in shape and gently slopes downward from north to south. The site is approximately 39 hectares (96 acres) in size, of which approximately 34 hectares (84 acres) are being used for cultivation. Two creeks with associated woodlots traverse the site from east to west. A residential dwelling with an accessory structure is located at the eastern part of the property.
- 2.3 Surrounding land uses include:
  - North Canadian National Railway tracks and agricultural lands;
  - East agricultural lands, a stream and woodlot, and a rural residence;
  - South Lakeshore Road and rural residences;
  - West agricultural lands, a stream and woodlot, and rural residences.
- 2.4 The proposed amendment to the ROP would permit the severance of a 0.41 ha (1.02 acre) parcel including the existing dwelling, retaining a 38.3 ha (94.6 acre) farm parcel. The dwelling is not required by a farm employee and is surplus to the farm operation.

#### 3. Reports Submitted in Support of the Application

- 3.1 A Planning Justification/Agricultural Assessment Report, prepared by Clark Consulting Services Ltd., dated December 2015 and revised May 2016, has been submitted in support of the application. The report concludes that the proposed amendment meets the objectives and requirements of the Provincial Policy Statement, the Greenbelt Plan, the ROP, and the Municipality of Clarington Official Plan and Zoning By-law. The report also concludes the proposed severance will comply with the Minimum Distance Separation requirements.
- 3.2 An Inventory of Land Holdings for 1725596 Ontario Limited, and for Algoma Orchards Ltd., prepared by Clark Consulting Services, was also submitted in

support of the application. The inventory includes 16 properties owned by 1725596 Ontario Limited comprising 481 hectares (1,189 acres), and 3 properties owned by Algoma Orchards Ltd. comprising 31 hectares (77 acres), all of which are located in the Municipality of Clarington (refer to Attachment No. 2). There are seven dwellings located on the farm properties, four of which are surplus to the farming operation.

#### 4. **Provincial Policies**

4.1 The subject site is located within the Protected Countryside of the Greenbelt Plan. Both the Greenbelt Plan and the Provincial Policy Statement permit the severance of a residence surplus to a farming operation as a result of farm consolidation, provided that the planning authority ensures that a residential dwelling is not permitted on the proposed retained farm lot created by the severance.

#### 5. Durham Regional Official Plan

- 5.1 The subject lands are designated "Waterfront Areas" in the ROP with portions of the site containing Key Natural Heritage and/or Hydrologic Features (KNHHF). Severance applications for agricultural uses are considered in accordance with the relevant policies of Sub-Section 9A of the ROP.
- 5.2 Policy 9A.2.10 of the ROP permits the severance of a farm dwelling rendered surplus as a result of a farmer acquiring a non-abutting farm, provided that:
  - a) the dwelling is not needed for a farm employee;
  - b) the farm parcel is of a size which is viable for farming operations;
  - c) within the Protected Countryside of the Greenbelt Plan Area, the dwelling was in existence as of December 16, 2004; and
  - d) the farm parcel is zoned to prohibit any further severances and the establishment of any residential dwelling.

#### 6. Consultation

6.1 The subject application has been circulated to: the Ministry of Municipal Affairs; the Municipality of Clarington; the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority; and the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

#### 7. Public Participation

- 7.1 Anyone who attends the Region's public meeting may present an oral submission, and/or provide a written submission to the Committee of the Whole on the proposed amendment. Also, any person may make written submissions at any time before Regional Council makes a decision.
- 7.2 If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or does not make written submissions before the proposed official plan amendment is adopted, the person or public body:
  - a. is not entitled to appeal the decision to the Ontario Municipal Board; and
  - may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there is reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.
- 7.3 Anyone wishing to be notified of Regional Council's decision on the proposed ROP Amendment must submit a written request to

Brian Bridgman, MCIP, RPP Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development Planning and Economic Development Department Regional Municipality of Durham Durham Region Headquarters 605 Rossland Road East Whitby, ON L1N 6A3

#### 8. Future Regional Council Decision

- 8.1 The Committee of the Whole will consider the proposed ROP Amendment at a future meeting, and will make a recommendation to Regional Council. Council's decision will be final unless appealed.
- 8.2 All persons who make oral submissions, or have requested notification in writing, will be given written notice of the future meeting of the Committee of the Whole and Regional Council at which the subject application will be considered.

#### 9. Attachments

Attachment #1: Location Sketch

Attachment #2: Other Agricultural Lands within Durham Region owned by 1725596 Ontario Limited.

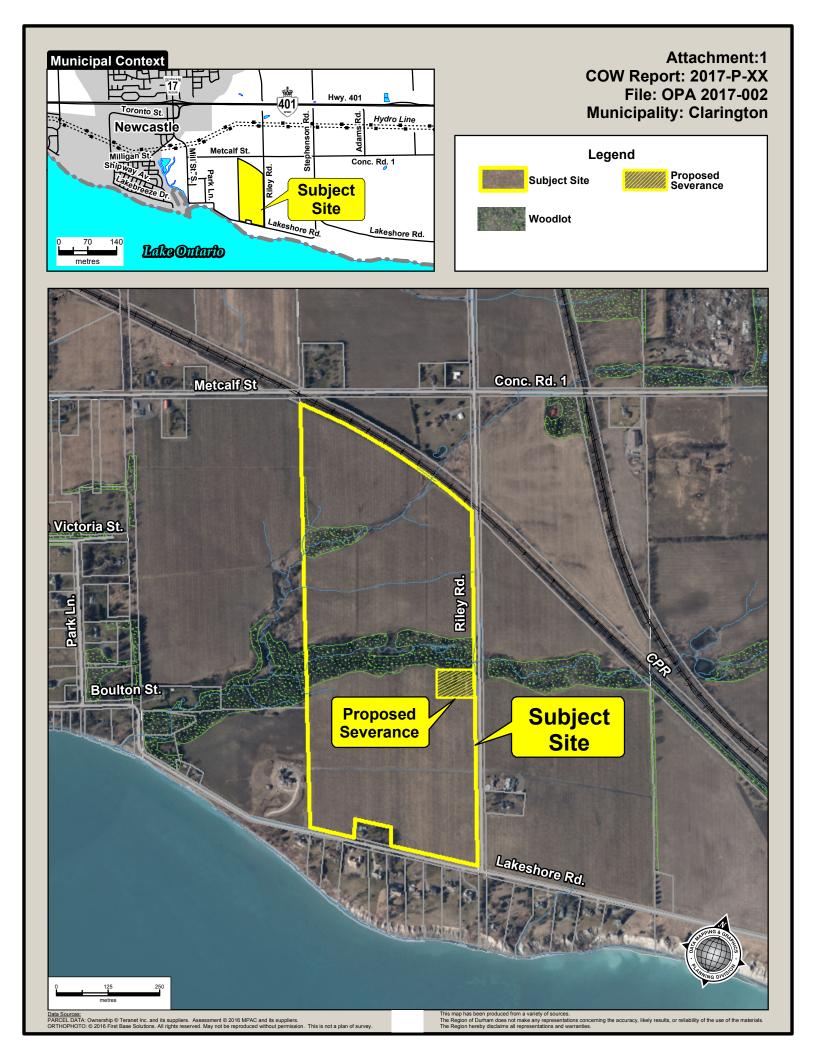
Respectfully submitted,

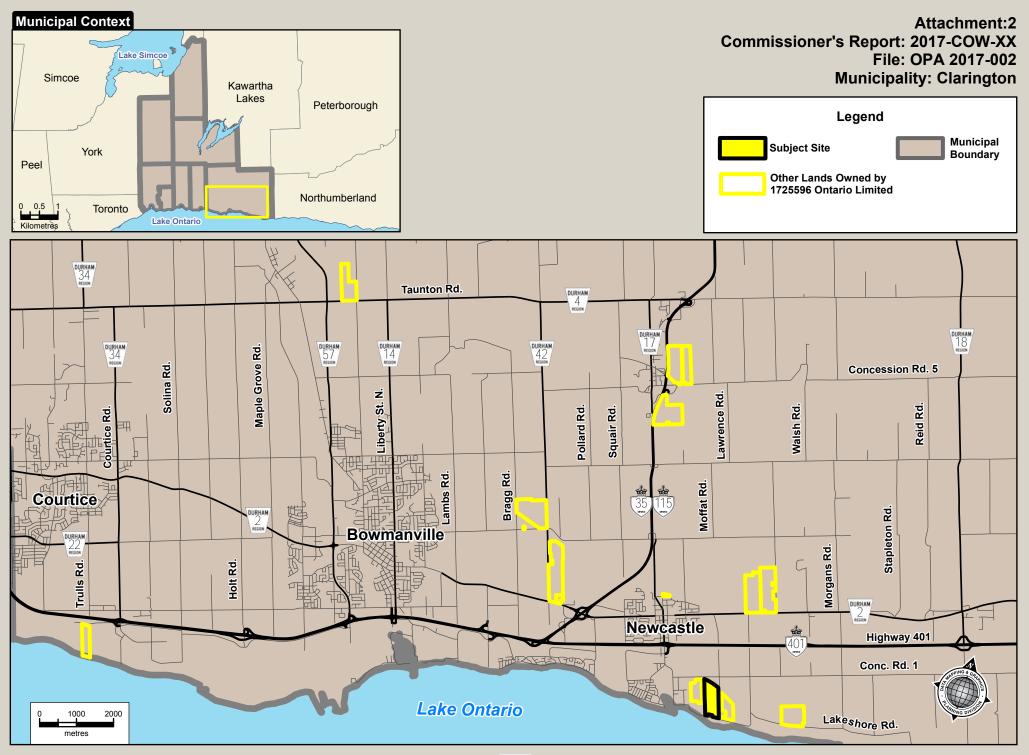
Original signed by

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

Recommended for Presentation to Committee

G.H. Cubitt, MSW Chief Administrative Officer





Data Sources: PARCEL DATA: Ownership © Teranet Inc. and its suppliers. Assessment © 2009 MPAC and its suppliers. ORTHOPHOTO: © 2013 First Base Solutions. All rights reserved. May not be reproduced without permission. This is not a plan of survey. This map has been produced from a variety of sources.

The Region of Durham does not make any representations concerning the accuracy, likely results, or reliability of the use of the materials. The Region hereby disclaims all representations and warranties. If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2564

#### EARLY RELEASE OF REPORT



The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

| From:   | Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development |
|---------|---|
| Report: | #2017-COW-**                                      |
| Date:   | June 7, 2017                                      |

#### Subject:

#### Public Meeting Report

Renaming portions of three existing Regional Roads and the naming of new Regional Road alignments in the City of Pickering (Seaton)

#### **Recommendations:**

- A) That Commissioner's Report #2017-COW-\*\* be received for information; and
- B) That all submissions received be referred to the Planning Division for consideration.

#### **Report:**

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider the renaming of portions of three existing Regional Roads and the naming of new Regional Road alignments in the City of Pickering (Seaton).

#### 2. Background

2.1 The Central Pickering Development Plan (Seaton Community) is forecasted to accommodate a population of 61,000 residents and 30,500 jobs by 2031, supporting a wide range of uses including residential, industrial, institutional and commercial.

- 2.2 As part of the Central Pickering Development Plan, the conceptual road alignments were identified for future study through a Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA). The Region initiated the EA to examine the proposed road alignments along with other alternatives to determine the most suitable local and regional road network within the Seaton Community. The EA was completed in June 2014, and included the final alignment of all local and regional roads within the study area.
- 2.3 As a result of the EA, it is recommended that portions of existing Regional roads within the Seaton Community be renamed to ensure that wayfinding and emergency response issues are reduced throughout the community.
- 2.4 The Regional Roads proposed to be renamed are as follows (refer to Attachment 1):
  - A portion of Whitevale Road, from the intersection of the new Regional Road to Brock Road. This portion is proposed to be renamed Alexander Knox Road;
  - 2. A portion of Whites Road, from the new intersection with Sideline 26 to Taunton Road. This portion is proposed to be renamed Glen Oaks Trail; and
  - 3. A portion of Concession Road 3, from Brock Road to its existing west terminus. This portion is proposed to be renamed Peter Matthews Drive.
- 2.5 The street names "Alexander Knox Road", "Glen Oaks Trail" and "Peter Matthews Drive" are all reserved for use by the City of Pickering on the Region's street name reserve list.

#### 3. Consultation

- 3.1 The proposed renaming of the three Regional Roads have been circulated to the Durham Regional Police Services, the City of Pickering, the Town of Ajax, Regional Works, the Ministry of Transportation, the City of Markham and the Region of York for comments. To date, no comments have been received.
- 3.2 Prior to this meeting, a notice of Public Meeting was published in newspapers with circulation within the City of Pickering and the Town of Ajax, as well as mailed to all property owners and occupants within 120 metres of the centre line for the entire proposed road alignments of Peter Matthews Drive, Glen Oaks Trail and Alexander Knox Road.

#### 4. Public Participation

- 4.1 Anyone who attends the public meeting may present an oral submission and/or provide a written submission to Committee of the Whole on the proposed street name change. In addition, any person may make written submissions at any time before Regional Council makes a decision.
- 4.2 Anyone wishing to be notified of Regional Council's decision on the proposed street name must make a written request to the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

#### 5. Attachments

Respectfully submitted,

Original by signed

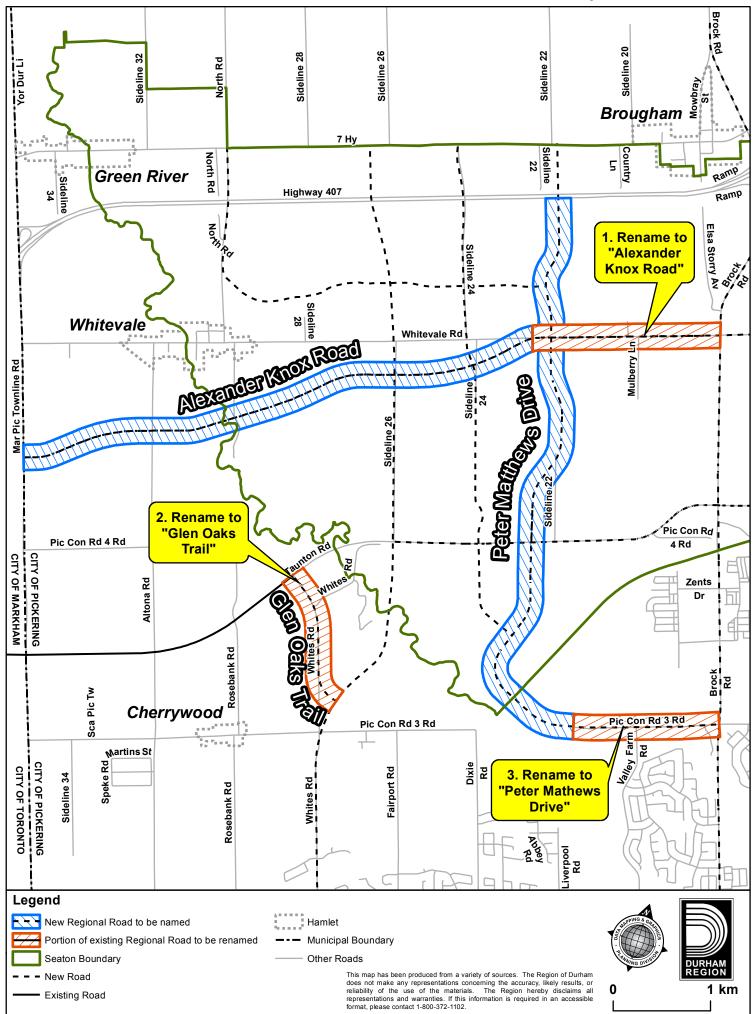
B.E. Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development

Recommended for Presentation to Committee

G.H. Cubitt, MSW Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment #1: Map of proposed new Regional Roads and Regional Road Renaming

Committee of the Whole Report: #2017-COW-XX





The Regional Municipality of Durham

Planning and Economic Development Department

Planning Division

## Interoffice Memorandum MAY 4'17 M9:50

- To: Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk/Director Legislative Services
- From: David Perkins Planner

Date: April 28, 2017

Re:New Application for a Regional Official Plan AmendmentFile Number:OPA 2017-002Applicant:1725596 Ontario LimitedLocation:Part of Lot 25, BF ConcessionMunicipality:Clarington

This is to advise that we have received the above noted application.

The application was deemed complete today.

# The purpose of the application is to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm properties.

If your department receives any submissions regarding this application, please forward the original copies to the Planning and Economic Development Department.

Please call me if you have any questions.

David Perkins :ps

Encl: Application package

| c | C.S LEGISLATIVE SERVICES    |          |
|---|-----------------------------|----------|
|   | Original<br>To: Uffang Anno | V        |
|   | Copy<br>To: P-Memoon        | <u>د</u> |
|   |                             | Ð        |
|   |                             |          |
|   | C.C. S.C.C. File            |          |
| - | Take Appr. Action           |          |

\*RY2117.pdf2

"Service Excellence for our Communities"

If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact the Planning Department Reception at 1-800-372-1102, Extension 2551

## **Interoffice Memorandum**



| Date: | May 12, 2017 |
|-------|--------------|
|-------|--------------|

To: Committee of the Whole

From: Dr. Robert Kyle

Health Department

Subject: Health Information Update – May 5, 2017

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 <u>Health Department Reference Manual</u>, 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,

Original signed by

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



#### UPDATES FOR COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE May 5, 2017

#### Health Department Media Releases/Advisories/Publications

https://goo.gl/exybfS

Health Department recognizes National Immunization Awareness Week (Apr 13)

#### https://goo.gl/ceVuPe

• Health Department encourages parents to support mental health (Apr 27)

#### https://goo.gl/yXJO5A

 Health Department encourages education and rabies vaccination as a part of Rabies Awareness Month (May 2)

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

- Health Department Sexual Health Clinics (Apr 10)
- "What's Up Doc?" Vol 10, No 1 Apr 2017 (May 5)

#### **GOVERNMENT OF CANADA**

#### Canada Revenue Agency

https://goo.gl/l1zlh4

• Minister Lebouthillier welcomes the Panel Report on the public consultations on charities and political activities (May 4)

#### **Employment and Social Development Canada**

#### https://goo.gl/il0SGd

• Youth homelessness prevention project receives major investment from Government of Canada (Apr 26)

#### Environment and Climate Change Canada

https://goo.gl/wTFVPI

• Canada endorses push for more ambitious climate-change action (Apr 20)

#### https://goo.gl/hcJc0J

• The Government of Canada supports the listing of chrysotile asbestos to the Rotterdam Convention (Apr 21)

#### Health Canada

https://goo.gl/54WQJQ

• Budget 2017 Brings Additional Federal Funding to Fight the Opioid Crisis (Apr 10)

#### https://goo.gl/su9bg4

 Minister Philpott highlights significant investments to improve access to home care (Apr 11) https://goo.gl/dvCNVr

Canada takes action to legalize and strictly regulate cannabis (Apr 13)

#### https://goo.gl/gPojpe

• Government of Canada improving access to urgently needed drugs (Apr 21)

#### https://goo.gl/vP8ahs

 Statement from Health Canada on the Coming into Force of Additional Elements of Vanessa's Law (Apr 21)

#### https://goo.gl/3K0aUP

• Government of Canada proposes new regulations for playpens (Apr 21)

#### https://goo.gl/iNpKCr

Government of Canada and Brain Canada Foundation announce 18 new brain research projects (Apr 25)

#### https://goo.gl/FytC2y

 Government of Canada releases first interim Report on Medical Assistance in Dying (Apr 26)

#### https://goo.gl/mhfGct

 Statement from Health Canada – Final Re-evaluation Decision on Glyphosate (Apr 28)

#### https://goo.gl/qsOFKN

• Good Samaritan Drug Overdose Act Becomes Law in Canada (May 4)

#### https://goo.gl/JDFQTF

 Statement from Health Canada on Mandatory Testing of Medical Cannabis for Unauthorized Pesticides (May 5)

#### Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada

https://goo.gl/avo3qL

• Statement from the Government of Canada on receiving the expert panel's report on Canada's Fundamental Science Review (Apr 10)

#### https://goo.gl/fUDZWS

• Why your next best hire could be a scientist (May 5)

#### **Prime Minister's Office**

https://goo.gl/79dnci

 Statement by the Prime Minister of Canada on the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms (Apr 17)

#### https://goo.gl/I30Gjn

• Statement by the Prime Minister of Canada on Mental Health Week (May 1)

#### Public Health Agency of Canada

https://goo.gl/ZSbgxw

• Government of Canada supports innovative healthy lifestyles program for youth and families (Apr 21)

#### https://goo.gl/zZczna

Message from the Minister of Health: National Immunization Awareness Week
 (Apr 24)

https://goo.gl/rvdwsq

 Government of Canada invests in new projects to improve vaccination rates in Canada (Apr 26)

https://goo.gl/KCpos3

 Canada and U.S. seek to improve data on physical activity, sleep and inactive behaviour (Apr 27)

#### https://goo.gl/v0T9eU

• Statement by Ministers Philpott and Qualtrough on the release of the Berlin Consensus Statement on Concussion in Sport (May 5)

#### https://goo.gl/b5RWzT

 Public Health Agency of Canada investing in projects to address Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (May 5)

#### Public Safety Canada

https://goo.gl/JEj613

• Minister Goodale welcomes CRTC decision on Wireless Public Alerting (Apr 7)

#### Transport Canada

https://goo.gl/PhBEr9

Government of Canada launches Rail Safety Week and, announces investments in Rail Safety (Apr 24)

#### https://goo.gl/hRrltW

 Minister Garneau launches review of Rail Safety Act one year ahead of schedule (Apr 26)

#### **GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO**

#### Office of the Premier

https://goo.gl/32sycH

• Making Housing More Affordable (Apr 20)

#### https://goo.gl/qcBlqi

• Giving More People an Opportunity to Get Ahead and Stay Ahead (Apr 24)

https://goo.gl/AI57oj

• Premier Lays Out Plan for Fairness and Security in Uncertain Times (Apr 24)

#### https://goo.gl/7R4Dfn

• Free Prescription Medications for Children and Youth Through OHIP+ (Apr 28) https://goo.gl/HKUgbB

• Ontario Investing \$9 Billion More In Health Care Construction (May 1)

#### https://goo.gl/Lsnqs1

• Ontario Delivering Shorter Patient Wait Times (May 2)

#### https://goo.gl/DFr8K1

• Ontario Providing Free Prescription Medications for Students (May 3)

#### **Ontario Ministry of Advance Education and Skills Development**

https://goo.gl/2KKxC5

Ontario Boosts Mental Health Supports for People Across the Province (May 3)

#### **Ontario Ministry of Education**

https://goo.gl/21qqe8

Ontario Reducing Class Sizes, Boosting Special Education (Apr 12)

#### **Ontario Ministry of Finance**

https://goo.gl/RAbrVX

Ontario Boosting On-the-Job Learning Opportunities for Students (Apr 19)

#### https://goo.gl/ViQ0ab

• Providing a Helping Hand to Those Caring For Loved Ones (Apr 25)

#### https://goo.gl/gyRlu4

• Helping Ontario Families Access Affordable Child Care (Apr 26)

#### https://goo.gl/MDfsYI

• Ontario to Provide Free Prescription Drugs for Children and Youth (Apr 27)

#### Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care

https://goo.gl/ghGi7t

• Naloxone Now Available In Over 200 Cities and Towns In Ontario (Apr 11)

#### https://goo.gl/TspcjK

• More Support for People Living with Dementia, and Their Families (May 4)

#### https://goo.gl/CG0b8j

• Ontario Delivering High Quality Patient Care, Faster (May 5)

#### **Ontario Ministry of Housing**

https://goo.gl/e8YC4a

• Ontario Introduces Bill to Protect Tenants from Unfair Rent Increases (Apr 24)

#### **Ontario Ministry of Research, Innovation and Science**

https://goo.gl/pBOfdV

• Supporting Clean Tech and Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions (Apr 13)

#### **Ontario Ministry of Transportation**

https://goo.gl/a77M0E

• Soon You Can Get Your Morning Coffee on the GO (Apr 13)

#### **OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

#### **Canadian Cancer Trials Group**

https://goo.gl/PK9wmv

• Canadian Cancer Trials Groups awarded \$23.5 million over 5 years (May 1)

#### **Canadian Institutes of Health Research**

https://goo.gl/WVRvyH

• Government of Canada and JDRF join forces to defeat diabetes (Apr 10)

#### https://goo.gl/dmJxjr

• Canada's top researchers recognized for their life-changing work (Apr 24)

#### Canadian Partnership Against Cancer

https://goo.gl/LDXIUU

 Fertility challenges a burden for adolescents and young adults with cancer: new report (Apr 24)

#### Canadian Task Force on Preventive Health Care

https://goo.gl/cdpCBi

 CTFPHC Releases Its First Hepatitis C Population-wide Screening Guideline (Apr 23)

#### **Coalition for Equitable Access to Depression Medication**

https://goo.gl/LMzOcJ

 New National Mental Health Coalition Seeks Equitable Access to Depression Medications (May 5)

#### **Conference Board of Canada**

https://goo.gl/Hn6sfE

 Expanding pharmacy services could save Canada's health care system billions of dollars by 2035 (Apr 25)

#### https://goo.gl/ByCHjb

• New medication for high-risk populations could reduce the health and economic burden of heart disease (Apr 27)

#### Institute of Clinical Evaluative Sciences

https://goo.gl/qsscfb

• Inflammatory bowel disease on the rise in very young Canadian children (Apr 18)

https://goo.gl/up7cOq

• Two people a day die of opioid-related causes in Ontario (Apr 20)

#### Mental Health Commission of Canada

https://goo.gl/1ENY6G

 On Mental Health Week, Let's Redouble our Commitment to Improve Access to Mental Health Services and Supports Says MHCC President and CEO (May 1)

#### Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada

https://goo.gl/fkCvnP

 Government of Canada invests in innovative partnerships between colleges and businesses (May 2)

#### **Ombudsman Ontario**

https://goo.gl/yWZI1U

 Ombudsman Calls for Clear, New Law, Strong Oversight of Inmate Segregation (Apr 20)

#### **Ontario Energy Board**

https://goo.gl/Sr1pZ3

• Important Changes for Electricity Consumers Starting May 1 (May 1)

#### **Ontario Medical Association**

https://goo.gl/Jr5m0y

 Ontario's children celebrate Doctors' Day by sharing what their MD means to them (May 1)

#### **Ontario Power Generation**

https://goo.gl/paSBLV

• OPG's Darlington Refurbishment Reaches Significant Milestone (Apr 13)

#### **Public Health Ontario**

https://goo.gl/E6CZWp

• Living in walkable neighbourhoods linked to more physical activity (Apr 10)

#### https://goo.gl/oM7ihp

• PHO Connections (Apr 19)

#### https://goo.gl/oMgPhy

 Evidence to Guide Action: Comprehensive Tobacco Control in Ontario 2016 (May 1)

#### Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

https://goo.gl/hZgrKk

• New measures to recruit more women, underrepresented to recruit more women, underrepresented groups to Canada Research Chairs (May 4)

Trillium Gift of Life Networkhttps://goo.gl/g5UmXM• Seven of the Common Myths about Organ Donation Debunked (Apr 24)

## **Interoffice Memorandum**



Health

Department

| Date:    | May 12, 2017  |
|----------|---|
| То:      | Committee of the Whole                                |
| From:    | Dr. Robert Kyle                                       |
| Subject: | Audit by the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario |

1. On March 9, 2017, the Health Department was notified that it was being audited by the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario (AGO) as part of its audit work in the area of public health. It is unknown why the Health Department was chosen.

2. This is a value-for-money audit, which looks at the numbers-and beyondto assess whether government programs are well managed and provide good value for taxpayers. It does this by assessing whether money was spent with due regard for economy and efficiency, and whether appropriate procedures were in place to measure and report on the effectiveness of government programs. This value-for-money audit will look broadly at governance, financial management and accountability and will include a focus on our Chronic Disease Prevention program.

3. The auditors arrived on March 20, stayed intermittently for ~ 3 weeks. They conducted interviews, obtained and analyzed documents, reviewed files, and ran tests. The list of initial information requested is attached. We understand that they may conduct surveys of Ontario boards of health.

4. At the end of their fieldwork, the audit team discusses the results of the audit work with the appropriate individual within the organization. Thereafter, the AGO sends a limited number of copies of the preliminary draft report to the auditee for factual clearance. Auditees have a deadline to read the draft, comment on it, advise the AGO of any factual errors they find and draft a response to the recommendations, which the AGO will evaluate for inclusion in the AGO's report. Once the value-for-money audit report is finalized, it is included in the AGO's annual report.



5. The draft Audit Objective and Criteria is attached as is the Initial Information Request List. Regional Councillors may wish to focus on the Board of Health Information because Regional Council is Durham's board of Health, in accordance with the *Health Protection and Promotion Act* and *Municipal Act, 2001*.

6. The powers, duties and responsibilities of boards of health are specified in the *Health Protection and Promotion Act* (<u>HPPA</u>) and the *Ontario Public Health Organizational Standards* (<u>OPHOS</u>) (also see attached).

7. To enable to Council to fulfill its duties and responsibilities as a board of health, the Health Department maintains an online <u>Health Department</u> <u>Reference Manual</u>. It includes General Information, including orientation, reference and training material; Health Information links; Reports, including Publications and Health Statistics links; Legislation links; and Other links.

8. In addition to the Reference Manual, bi-monthly Health Information memos and Program Reports are posted on <u>CIPs</u> as are our annual Durham Health Check-Up and Performance Reports and annual Health Plan (<u>DRHD</u> <u>Publications</u>).

9. A requirement of the OPHOS is for boards of health to conduct a selfevaluation every 2 years. The last evaluation was conducted in 2014. An updated survey (attached) has been drafted for administration to all Regional Councillors later this year.

10. Finally, it should be noted that the public health transformation is underway in Ontario. The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care has established a Public Health Work Stream, to determine how public health best fits within an integrated health system, and an Expert Panel on Public Health to provide the Minister with confidential advice on how public health is best organized to support its role within an integrated system. In addition, as reported in the March 10 CIP, public health programs and services are being modernized. Council will be kept abreast of future developments as they unfold through entries on Council Information Packages.

Respectfully submitted,

# Original signed by

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



# Durham Public Health Initial Information Request List

The table below lists the preliminary information required prior to the commencement of our fieldwork. Please provide documents in electronic format, if possible.

If the information requested is not available please indicate as such in the comment field.

| ITEM # | INFORMATION REQUESTED  | DATE RECEIVED | COMMENT |
|--------|--|---------------|---------|
|        | Organizational Overview  |               |         |
| 1      | Public Health Unit organization chart and reporting structure  |               |         |
| 2      | Listing of all employees and their contact information (phone number and email address).                 |               |         |
| 3      | List of accreditations and/or accreditation status for the Unit (e.g. from Accreditation Canada)         |               |         |
|        | Strategic and operational plans in effect during period from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016        |               |         |
| 4      |  |               |         |
| 5      | Any partnership agreements with other Boards of Health for the period from 2014 to 2016.                 |               |         |
| 6      | Service level agreements with the municipal government for the period from 2014 to 2016.                 |               |         |
| 7      | Description of the role and responsibilities of the Medical Officer of Health (i.e. the job description) |               |         |
| 8      | Human resource strategy in place during the periods from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016            |               |         |
|        | Health Assessments / Performance Reporting   | 1             |         |
| 9      | Population health assessments for the periods from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016.                 |               |         |
| 10     | Public reporting of financial performance as per section 5.4 of Ontario Public Health Organizational     |               |         |
|        | Standards from 2014 to 2016.   |               |         |
|        | List of performance indicators/assessment criteria used outside of mandatory accountability              |               |         |
| 11     | performance indicators (i.e. other than indicators explicitly required by province) for the period       |               |         |
|        | from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016.   |               |         |
| 12     | All reports and data used to report mandatory accountability performance indicators to the               |               |         |
|        | province for the 2015 and 2016 reporting years.<br>Chronic Disease Prevention Programs and Services      |               |         |
|        | Overview of activities undertaken by the PHU on Chronic Disease Prevention programs and                  |               |         |
| 13     | sevices.   |               |         |
|        | List of programs and services provided for chronic disease prevention for the period from January        |               |         |
| 14     | 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016 (please indicate if any were terminated or initiated within period          |               |         |
|        | requested)   |               |         |
| 4.5    | List of any evaluations done on chronic disease prevention programs for the period from January 1,       |               |         |
| 15     | 2014 to December 31, 2016.   |               |         |
|        | Financial Information  |               |         |
| 16     | Chart of Accounts for period ending December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2016                               |               |         |
| 17     | Trial Balance for period ending December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2016.                                  |               |         |
| 18     | General ledger details for the years ended December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2016.                       |               |         |
| 19     | Detailed revenues and expenditures for the years ended December 31, 2014 to December 31, 2016            |               |         |
|        | on a program basis. Board of Health  |               |         |
| 20     | Board materials and all meeting minutes for all meetings in last 12 months                               |               |         |
| 20     | List of Board of Health (BoH) members for the period from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016.          |               |         |
|        | The list should include the following:   |               |         |
|        | Board member name  |               |         |
| 21     |  |               |         |
|        | • Term   |               |         |
|        | • Position   |               |         |
|        | Type of member (eg. Provincial appointee, municipal representative, etc.)                                |               |         |
| 22     | Listing of BoH sub-committees and sub-committee members and positions                                    |               |         |
|        | Policy related to the Board of Health self evaluation process.   |               |         |
|        | Description of the Board of Health self evaluation process, including:                                   |               |         |
|        | <ul> <li>who completes the self evaluation</li> </ul>  |               |         |
|        | how often is it completed  |               |         |
| 23     | <ul> <li>who follows-up on the results/recommendation</li> </ul>   |               |         |
|        | <ul> <li>are the results/recommendations communicated to anyone?</li> </ul>                              |               |         |
|        | Board of Health self evaluations for the period from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016.               |               |         |
| 24     | Board of Health new member orientation/onboarding package  |               |         |
| 25     | Policy related to Board of Health training requirements, if any.   |               |         |

| ITEM # | INFORMATION REQUESTED   | DATE RECEIVED | COMMENT |
|--------|---|---------------|---------|
| 26     | Listing of training provided to the Board of Health (any topic) during the periods from January 1,<br>2014 to December 31, 2016.<br>Please include the following information in the list:<br>a. Date training provided.<br>b. Length of training in hours.<br>c. Names of members who attended the training.<br>d. Purpose of the training. |               |         |

Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Public Health: Chronic Disease Prevention 2017 Value-for-Money Audit

#### Audit Objective

The objective of our audit is to assess whether the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Boards of Health and Public Health Ontario have effective systems and processes in place to:

- oversee, co-ordinate and deliver chronic disease prevention programs and services in an equitable and cost-effective manner; and
- measure and report on the effectiveness of the programs and services in reducing the cost burden on the health-care system and improving population health outcomes.

#### **Audit Criteria**

- 1. [Accountability] Roles and responsibilities should be clearly defined and accountability requirements should be established to support program objectives.
- 2. [Co-ordination] Co-ordination between the Ministry, Public Health Ontario, Boards of Health and other parties (including other ministries, other levels of governments, and stakeholder associations) should take place to support program objectives.
- 3. [Oversight] Oversight entities should exercise their responsibilities (including the collection and assessment of relevant and reliable information) and ensure timely corrective action is taken to address identified areas of concerns.
- 4. [Funding] Resource provision should be sustainable, predictable and allocated based on areas of identified need. Annual funding should be finalized on a timely basis.
- 5. [Program Design, Delivery & Evaluation] Current evidence and best practices should be used to inform the development of strategies, action plans and programs to meet population needs. Programs should be established in accordance with legislative and ministry requirements and delivered in an equitable and cost-effective manner. Strategies and programs should be continuously assessed and revised as needed.
- 6. [Program Effectiveness] Performance measures and targets should be developed to assess program effectiveness. Results should be analyzed and regularly reported to oversight entities and the public.



# MEMORANDUM

| The Regional              | то:   | Committee of the Whole  |
|---------------------------|-------|---|
| Municipality<br>of Durham | FROM: | Dr. Robert Kyle   |
|                           | DATE: | May 12, 2017  |
| HEALTH<br>DEPARTMENT      | RE:   | Duties of Boards of Health under the Health Protection and Promotion Act (HPPA) |

Background

1. The purpose of this memorandum is to summarize: the duties of boards of health<sup>\*</sup> and medical officers of health regarding the provision of public health programs and services; the payment of boards of health and medical officers of health expenses; and provisions within the HPPA that may be used by the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care or the Chief Medical Officer of Health to address issues and concerns related to compliance with the HPPA, regulations and guidelines by boards of health.

\* In Durham Region, Regional Council is the board of health.

# Purpose of the HPPA

2. The HPPA is the statutory regime that "provides for the organization and delivery of public health programs and services, the prevention of the spread of disease and the promotion and protection of the health of the people of Ontario" (section 2).

# **Duties of a Board of Health**

3. As regards the general provision of public health programs and services, section 61 of the HPPA requires every board of health to "superintend and ensure the carrying out of Parts II [Health Programs and Services], III [Community Health Protection] and IV [Communicable Disease Control] and the regulations relating to those Parts [Communicable Diseases - General, Control of West Nile Virus, Food Premises, Public Pools, Public Spas, Qualification of Board of Health Staff, Rabies Immunization,



Street Address

605 Rossland Rd.E. Whitby ON Canada

Mailing Address P.O. Box 730 Whitby ON Canada L1N 0B2

Tel: 905-668-7711 Fax: 905-666-6214 1-800-841-2729

www.durham.ca

An Accredited Public Health Agency Reports, School Health Services and Programs, Small Drinking Water Systems, Specifications of Communicable, Reportable and Virulent Diseases] in the health unit served by the board of health."

- 4. With respect to health programs and services, section 4 states that "every board of health,
  - a) shall superintend, provide or ensure the provision of the health programs and services required by this Act and the regulations to the persons who reside in the health unit served by the board; and
  - b) shall perform such other functions as are required by or under this or any other Act."

# Mandatory Health Programs and Services

- 5. Section 5 requires every board of health to superintend, provide or ensure the provision of health programs and services in the following areas:
  - a) "Community sanitation, to ensure the maintenance of sanitary conditions and the prevention or elimination of health hazards.
  - b) The provision of safe drinking water by small drinking water systems.
  - c) Control of infectious diseases and reportable diseases, including provision of immunization services to children and adults.
  - d) Health promotion, health protection and disease and injury prevention, including the prevention and control of cardiovascular disease, cancer, AIDS and other diseases.
  - e) Family health, including,
    - I. Counselling services,
    - II. Family planning services,
    - III. Health services to infants, pregnant women in high risk health categories and the elderly,
    - IV. Preschool and school health services, including dental services,
    - V. Screening programs to reduce the morbidity and mortality of disease,
    - VI. Tobacco use prevention programs, and
    - VII. Nutrition services.
  - f) Collection and analysis of epidemiological data.

g) Such additional health programs and services as are prescribed by the regulations."

# School Pupils

6. Section 6 (1) requires every board of health to provide such of the health programs and services as are prescribed by the regulations [School Health Services and Programs] for the purposes of this section to the pupils attending schools within the health unit served by the board of health.

# **Optional Health Programs and Services**

- 7. Section 9 permits a board of health to "provide any other health program or service in any area in the health unit served by the board of health if:
  - a) The board of health is of the opinion that the health program or service is necessary or desirable, having regard to the needs of persons in the area; and
  - b) The councils of the municipalities in the area approve of the provision of the health program or service."

# <u>Guidelines</u>

- 8. Section 7 (1) permits the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care to "publish guidelines for the provision of mandatory health programs and services and every board of health shall comply with the published guidelines." In terms of the extent of programs and services, section 8 states that "a board of health is not required by this Part to provide or ensure the provision of a mandatory health program or service referred to in this Part except to the extent and under the conditions prescribed by the regulations and the guidelines."
- 9. The current guidelines were published as the Ontario Public Health Standards 2008 (OPHS) by the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care who transmitted them to all boards of health in November 2008. The OPHS establish requirements for fundamental public health programs and services, which include assessment and surveillance, health promotion and policy development, disease and injury prevention, and health protection. The OPHS outline the expectations of boards of health, which are responsible for providing public health programs and services that contribute to the physical, mental, and emotional health and well-being of all Ontarians. Boards of

health are responsible for the assessment, planning, delivery, management, and evaluation of a variety of public health programs and services that address multiple health needs, as well as the context in which these needs occur.

10. The OPHS is organized as follows:

## Foundations

- Four Principles, which are Need, Impact, Capacity, and Partnership and Collaboration. The principles underpin the Foundational and Program Standards and are meant to be used by boards of health to guide the assessment, planning, delivery, management, and evaluation of public health programs and services.
- One Foundational Standard, which consists of four specific areas:
  - Population Health Assessment;
  - Surveillance;
  - Research and Knowledge Exchange; and
  - Program Evaluation.

The Foundational Standard outlines specific requirements that underlie and support all Program Standards.

## Program Standards

- Program Standards (grouped under five program areas), which address Chronic Diseases and Injuries, Family Health, Infectious Diseases, Environmental Health, and Emergency Preparedness. Specific requirements are articulated for each of the Program Standards. Boards of health shall assess, plan, deliver, manage, and evaluate programs and services in each of those Program Standards and coordinate across the Program Standards.
- 11. On February 17, 2017, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) released the new *Standards for Public Health Programs and Services Consultation Document*. In summary, in contrast to the current standards, the modernized standards include a policy framework, 12 standards, population health and program outcomes, and both standardized and variable requirements. New standards include Health Equity, Effective Public Health Practice and School Health. The finalized

modernized standards are set to be released in May with implementation to begin in January 2018.

## **Performance Management**

- 12. In December 2007, MOHLTC struck a Performance Management Working Group and tasked it to review the various components for the revitalization of public health as they pertain to performance management and accountability and to provide advice on the specific elements and next steps for possible implementation. An important focus of the Working Group was the development of the Initial Report on Public Health, which was published by the Ministry in August 2009. The Health Unit profiles were updated in 2012.
- 13. The Working Group also developed the Ontario Public Health Organizational Standards (OPHOS) that were released by the Ministry in February 2011. The OPHOS establish the governance and management requirements for all boards of health. They help promote organizational excellence, establish the foundation for effective and efficient program and service delivery, and contribute to a public health sector with a greater focus on performance, accountability and sustainability. The OPHOS are grouped into the following six categories: Board Structure, Board Operations, Leadership, Trusteeship, Community Engagement and Responsiveness, and Management Operations.
- 14. It is expected that the MOHLTC will release a new *Public Health Accountability Framework Consultation Document* shortly.

## **Duties of Associate/Medical Officers of Health**

15. Section 67 (1) states that every "medical officer of health of a board of health reports 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." Section 67 (2) states that "the employees of and the persons whose services are engaged by a board of health are subject to the direction of and are responsible to the medical officer of health of the board if their duties relate to the delivery of public health programs or services under this or any other Act." Section 67 (3) states that "the medical officer of health is responsible to the board of health of a board of health is responsible to the management of the public health programs and services under this or any other Act." Section 68 (1) states

that the "associate medical officer of health of a board of health, under the direction of the medical officer of health of the board, shall assist in the performance of the duties of the medical officer of health and, for the purpose, has all the powers of the medical officer of health." Finally, section 42 (1) states that "no person shall hinder or obstruct a medical officer of health...lawfully carrying out a power, duty or direction under this Act."

# <u>Staff</u>

16. In addition to appointing, as required or permitted respectively under section 62 (1), a full-time medical officer of health and one or more associate medical officers of health, section 71 (1) requires every board of health to "engage the services of such persons, including public health nurses, as are considered necessary to carry out the functions of the board of health, including the duties of the board of health in respect of mandatory health programs and services", subject to section 71 (3) respecting public health nurses, the *Qualifications of Board of Health Staff Regulation* and the Guidelines.

## Payment by Obligated Municipalities

- 17. Section 72 (1) requires the obligated municipalities in a health unit to pay the expenses incurred by or on behalf of the board of health and medical officer of health of the health unit in the performance of their functions and duties under the HPPA or any other Act. Section 72 (2) states that the obligated municipalities shall ensure that the amount paid is sufficient to enable the board of health,
  - a) "to provide or ensure the provision of health programs and services in accordance with sections 5, 6, and 7, the regulations and the guidelines; and
  - **b)** to comply in all other respects with this Act and the regulations."

## **Grants**

18. Section 76 permits the Minister to make grants "for the purposes of this Act on such conditions as he or she considers appropriate." To this end, the ministry's annual *Program-Based Grants User Guide* provides boards of health with pertinent information on "ministry policies, requirements, and expectations related to the 2017 PBG process." The 2017 Guide states that

"admissible expenditures are those considered by the ministry to be reasonable and necessary for boards of health to achieve and/or maintain compliance with the OPHS, Organizational Standards, Accountability Agreement, and other requirements of the HPPA and, as such, are eligible for reimbursement by the ministry. These expenditures must be authorized in accordance with the policies of the board of health, consistent with government policies, and related to the delivery of mandatory programs." The Guide also notes that 'the ministry continues to conduct periodic audits of boards of health to ensure compliance with requirements set out in the Accountability Agreement related to financial, operational, and value for money aspects of transfer payment funding...In selecting a board of health to be audited, the ministry considers of a number of factors, including whether a board of health has been audited or assessed over the past number of years and/or non-compliance with Accountability Agreement reporting requirements...To date, the objective of these audits has been to assess compliance with the Accountability Agreement and the Organizational Standards."

## **Financial Records**

19. Section 59 requires boards of health to keep "books, records and accounts of its financial affairs" and to prepare "statements of its financial affairs in each year."

#### **Agreements**

- 20. Section 81.2 permits the Minister to enter into "an agreement with a board of health of any health unit for the purpose of setting out the requirements for the accountability of the board of health and management of the health unit."
- 21. In 2014, a new evergreen Public Health Funding and Accountability Agreement (PHFAA) was executed by all boards of health and the ministry. PHFAAs set out the obligations of boards of health and the ministry. They incorporate financial reporting requirements, performance indicators, and continuous quality improvement tools. Performance indicators are programbased and focus on board of health outcomes. Performance indicators have targets that are negotiated between individual boards of health and the ministry.

#### **Inspectors**

22. Section 80 permits the Minister to appoint one or more ministry employees as inspectors who shall make inspections of health units to ascertain the "extent of compliance with the Act and the regulations and the carrying out of the purposes of this Act."

## **Assessors**

- 23. Section 82 requires the Minister to appoint assessors who may carry out an assessment of a board of health for the purpose of,
  - a) "ascertaining whether the board of health is providing or ensuring the provision of health programs and services in accordance with sections 5, 6 and 7, the regulations and the guidelines;
  - b) ascertaining whether the board of health is complying in all the other respects with this Act and the regulations; or
  - c) assessing the quality of the management and administration of the affairs of the board of health."

# **Direction to Board of Health**

- 24. If an assessment reveals non-compliance with the HPPA, regulations or guidelines and/or inadequacies in the management or administration of a board of health's affairs, section 83 permits the Minister to give a board of health written direction,
  - a) "to do anything that the Minister considers necessary or advisable to correct the failure identified in the direction; or
  - b) to cease to do anything that the Minister believes may have caused or contributed to the failure identified in the direction."

If a board of health fails to comply with the direction, it is guilty of an offence under sections 100 (3) and 101 (2). In addition, section 84 permits the Minister to do whatever is necessary to ensure that the direction is carried out. Section 85 entitles a board of health that receives a notice of failure to comply to a hearing by the Health Services Appeal and Review Board. The Board's decision under this section is final and binding on the board of health.

## **Conclusion**

This memorandum has summarized the relevant sections of the HPPA related to the provision and funding of public health

programs and services, including compliance with the HPPA, regulations and guidelines.

Respectfully submitted,

original signed by

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

# **Board of Health Self-Evaluation**

Under the Ontario Public Health Organizational Standards (OPHOS), Boards of Health (BOH) are required to conduct a BOH self-evaluation at a minimum of every two years. The last self-evaluation was conducted by the former Health & Social Services Committee (attached).

This BOH self-evaluation survey gives BOH members a chance to reflect on how the BOH is doing as a governance body, and to identify possible areas for improvement in board effectiveness and engagement.

Regional Council is Durham's BOH. Accordingly, the Regional Chair and Chair, Health & Social Services request that all Regional Councillors participate in this self-evaluation survey, as Council is responsible for ensuring the Durham Region Health Department (DRHD) provides the health programs and services required by the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*. Your participation is **voluntary**, and your response will be kept **confidential**. All results will be summarized and will not contain any individual information.

Please complete the survey by XXXX, 2017. The results will be reported in a subsequent Council Information Package (CIP).

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Helen Tanevski at 905-668-7711, ext. 3111, or e-mail <u>helen.tanevski@durham.ca</u>.

## For each statement, please check the response that best describes your opinion.

The roles and responsibilities of BOH are outlined in the Ontario Public Health Organizational Standards (<u>OPHOS</u>) and to that end, resources to assist BOH members in fulfilling these roles and responsibilities are found in the Health Department Resource Manual (<u>Health Department Reference Manual</u>). DRHD's compliance is found in its annual Performance Reports (<u>DRHD Publications</u>), which are posted on <u>CIPs</u>.

| 1. BOH Roles and Responsibilities  | Strongly<br>Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly<br>Disagree | Not<br>Sure |
|--|-------------------|-------|----------|----------------------|-------------|
| As a BOH member, I have a clear understanding<br>of the BOH's roles, as outlined in the above                          |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I have a clear understanding<br>of the BOH's responsibilities, as outlined in the<br>above resources. |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I have a clear understanding of the role of senior management in DRHD.                                |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| BOH has the appropriate committee structure to exercise its responsibilities; i.e., Committee of the Whole (COW).      |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| BOH is adequately prepared to oversee an emergency situation.  |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| BOH focuses primarily on long-term and policy issues.  |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| BOH steers clear of discussion of short-term administrative matters.   |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| BOH members have adequate information to approve the annual Business Plans and Budgets.                                |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| BOH receives adequate information on the DRHD's compliance with applicable legislation.                                |                   |       |          |                      |             |

What suggestions would you have to clarify the roles and responsibilities of BOH members?

## For each statement, please check the response that best describes your opinion.

DRHD shares information with the BOH through various ways information sharing products including:

- Health Information Updates and Program Reports, which are posted on <u>CIPs</u>
- Various population health assessment and surveillance reports, including the Health Neighbourhood resource, on <u>Health Statistics in Durham Region</u>
- The <u>Health Department Reference Manual</u>

| 2. BOH Information Sharing  | Strongly<br>Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly<br>Disagree | Not<br>Sure |
|---|-------------------|-------|----------|----------------------|-------------|
| As a BOH member, I believe the Health<br>Information Updates are helpful.                         |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I believe the Program<br>Reports distributed at the COW meetings are<br>helpful. |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I believe the <u>Health Statistics</u><br><u>in Durham Region</u> is helpful.    |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I believe the <u>Health</u><br><u>Neighbourhoods resource</u> is helpful.        |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I believe the <u>Health</u><br><u>Department Reference Manual</u> is helpful.    |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I believe that the above information assists the BOH in making sound decisions.  |                   |       |          |                      |             |

Do you currently follow the DRHD on social media such as Facebook <u>DurhamRegionHealth</u> or Twitter <u>@durhamhealth</u>?

- 🗆 Yes
- 🗆 No
- Do Not Use Social Media
- If Yes, how useful do you find DRHD's social media strategy for information sharing?
  - Very helpful
  - Somewhat helpful
  - Not very helpful
  - Not at all helpful

What suggestions would you have to improve our information sharing products and also the process of information sharing?

## For each statement, please check the response that best describes your opinion.

| 3. BOH Relations  | Strongly<br>Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly<br>Disagree | Not<br>Sure |
|---|-------------------|-------|----------|----------------------|-------------|
| There is sufficient time allocated for the full discussion of issues related to DRHD at COW and Council meetings. |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| BOH members have adequate opportunities to<br>ask questions related to DRHD at COW and<br>Council meetings.       |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I feel comfortable raising an issue related to DRHD that might be unpopular.                     |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| A climate of mutual trust and respect exists<br>between the BOH and the Medical Officer of<br>Health (MOH).       |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| A climate of mutual trust and respect exists between the BOH and DRHD staff.                                      |                   |       |          |                      |             |

| BOH members assist in developing and    |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| maintaining positive relations with key |  |  |  |
| stakeholders.                           |  |  |  |

Are there any areas for improvement in BOH relations?

## For each statement, please check the response that best describes your opinion.

The following reports are produced by the DRHD as a result of its annual program planning and evaluation processes:

- Durham Health Check-Up (<u>DRHD Publications</u>)
- Health Plans (DRHD Publications)
- Performance Reports (<u>DRHD Publications</u>)
- Quality Enhancement Plan (attached)
- Advocacy, Engagement & Partnerships Report (attached & <u>CIPs</u>)

| 4. DRHD Plans and Reports   | Strongly<br>Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly<br>Disagree | Not<br>Sure |
|---|-------------------|-------|----------|----------------------|-------------|
| As a BOH member, I am familiar with the DRHD's annual Durham Health Check-Up?                       |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I am familiar with DRHD's annual Health Plans.                                     |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I am familiar with the DRHD's annual Performance Reports.                          |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I am familiar with DRHD's Quality Enhancement Plan.                                |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I am familiar with the DRHD's annual Business Plans and Budgets.                   |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I am familiar with DRHD's<br>annual Advocacy, Engagement & Partnerships<br>Report. |                   |       |          |                      |             |
| As a BOH member, I am aware that the DRHD is<br>an accredited public health agency.                 |                   |       |          |                      |             |

## Other comments:

|   | C.S LEGISLATIVE SERVICES              | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| MARKHAM   | Original<br>To: CIR                   | МАЧ 4'17 АМ9:50                       |
| April 26, 2017  | Copy<br>To: B BOLLENON<br>S. SNOP     | D.: OP 17 159703                      |
| Clerks Department<br>Region of Durham<br>605 Rossland Road East<br>Whitby, ON L1N 6A3 | C.C. S.C.C. File<br>Take Appr. Action |                                       |
| Attn: Clerks Department   |                                       |                                       |

#### RE: CTC Source Protection Plan (2015) Official Plan Amendment

In July 2015, the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change approved the CTC Source Protection Plan under the Clean Water Act. The Plan covers all of the lands in the City of Markham and requires that Official Plans be updated within 5 years of the approval date. A preliminary report on a draft Official Plan Amendment to implement the CTC Source Protection Plan was considered by Development Services Committee on April 10, 2017.

The purpose and effect of the proposed Official Plan Amendment is to:

- Require the maintenance of pre-development groundwater recharge for development on lands identified as Significant Groundwater Recharge Area or Wellhead Protection Area Quantity
- Require a water balance assessment for certain types of development
- Add a new appendix to depict the locations of Significant Groundwater Recharge Area and Wellhead Protection Area Quantity

The statutory public meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday**, **June 6**, **2017** at **7:00 pm** and will take place at the City's Council Chambers located at **101 Town Centre Boulevard**, **Markham**, **ON**.

All levels of government are endeavouring to streamline the planning process and reduce the time required to process development applications. To achieve this goal, the City needs your assistance in responding promptly. Please review the amendment attached and provide us with your comments by **Friday**, **June** 9<sup>th</sup>, **2017**. If your comments are not received by this date we may assume you have no comments or concerns and may act accordingly.

For your convenience, you may comment by completing the lower portion of this letter and returning a photocopy to this office along with any attachments. Should you have any questions or require further information please contact Patrick Wong at (905) 477-7000, extension 6922.

Regards,

Patrick Wong Natural Heritage Planner

Attach:



To: Patrick Wong, Natural Heritage Planner

From: Region of Durham

Re: CTC Source Protection Plan (2015) Official Plan Amendment OP 17 159703

() We have reviewed the proposal and have no comments or objections to its approval.

- () We have reviewed the proposal and have no objections to its approval, subject to the following revisions/conditions (attached).
- () We are unable to respond within the allotted time for the following reasons (attached). You can expect our comments by

() We have reviewed the proposal and have the following concerns (attached).

( ) We have reviewed the proposal and our previous comments to the City, dated , are still valid.

Signature

Date

### **CITY OF MARKHAM**

· · · ·

## OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. XXX

To amend the City of Markham Official Plan 2014, as amended.

(Source Protection Plan Conformity)

(Mar 2016 Draft)

#### **<u>CITY OF MARKHAM</u>**

#### OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. XXX

To amend the City of Markham Official Plan 2014, as amended.

This Official Plan Amendment was adopted by the Corporation of the City of Markham, By-law No. \_\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ in accordance with the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990 c.P.13, as amended, on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ *sourcest action of the City of Action and the action of the City of Action and the action of the City of Action action and the action of the City of Action ac* 

Mayor

City Clerk

### THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MARKHAM

#### BY-LAW NO.

Being a by-law to adopt Amendment No. XXX to the City of Markham Official Plan 2014, as amended.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF MARKHAM, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE PLANNING ACT, R.S.O., 1990 HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. THAT Amendment No. XXX to the City of Markham Official Plan 2014, as amended, attached hereto, is hereby adopted.
- 2. THAT this by-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of the final passing thereof.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS \_\_\_\_\_\_ \$ OR nd OR nd OR th DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_, (jear)

**CITY CLERK** 

. . . .

MAYOR

## CONTENTS

# **PART I - INTRODUCTION**

| 1. | GENERAL  | 1 |
|----|----------|---|
| 2. | LOCATION | 1 |
|    | PURPOSE  |   |
| -  | BASIS    |   |
|    |          | _ |

## PART II - THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

| 1. | THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT       | t |
|----|-----------------------------------|---|
| 2. | IMPLEMENTATION AND INTERPRETATION | , |
| 3. | SCHEDULE(S)                       | ) |

# PART I - INTRODUCTION

(This is <u>not</u> an operative part of Official Plan Amendment No. XXX)

.

#### , . . . .

#### **PART I - INTRODUCTION**

#### **10 GENERAL**

- **1.1** PART I INTRODUCTION, is included for information purposes and is not an operative part of this Official Plan Amendment.
- **1.2** PART II THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT constitutes Official Plan Amendment No. *XXX*. Part II is an operative part of this Official Plan Amendment.

#### 2.0 LOCATION

The Amendment applies to all lands identified as Significant Groundwater Recharge Area or Wellhead Protection Area – Quantity on Appendix **\*\*** – Clean Water Act Groundwater Recharge Areas.

#### 3.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this Official Plan Amendment is to add new source protection policies addressing requirements for Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas and Wellhead Protection Areas – Quantity and adding a corresponding appendix.

#### 4.0 BASIS OF THIS OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

Source protection planning is a watershed-based approach to protect groundwater and surface water entering municipal drinking water systems. This amendment is based upon the Toronto and Region Source Protection Area Assessment Report (approved on July 24, 2015) and the Credit Valley – Toronto and Region – Central Lake Ontario Source Protection Plan which came into force and effect December 31, 2015.

#### 4.1 CREDIT VALLEY – TORONTO AND REGION – CENTRAL LAKE ONTARIO SOURCE PROTECTION PLAN (CTC SPP)

CTC Source Protection Region staff began work on the CTC SPP in 2011. The Toronto and Region Source Protection Area Assessment Report (the "Assessment Report") was prepared based on requirements outlined in the *Clean Water* Act and provides the scientific understanding for the policies in the CTC SPP.

Based on the technical work in the Assessment Report, policies were developed to manage, reduce, or eliminate threats to vulnerable areas. The CTC SPP identifies five types of vulnerable areas, three of which apply within the City of Markham.

Highly Vulnerable Aquifers (HVA) are areas that are particularly susceptible to contamination due to the location of the groundwater aquifer close to the ground's surface. Policies for HVAs were previously incorporated in the Official Plan 2014.

Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas (SGRA) are areas with porous soils which allow water to seep easily into the ground and to an aquifer. Within these areas, development is strongly encouraged to maintain groundwater recharge rates.

Wellhead Protection Areas – Quantity (WHPA-Q) are areas that have been identified as critical to maintaining water balance and allowing municipal wells and groundwater to become replenished. Future land use activities that take water from the aquifer or reduce groundwater recharge may be a significant threat. Within these areas, development is required to maintain groundwater recharge rates.

Wellhead Protection Areas (WHPA) and Intake Protection Zones (IPZ) have not been identified within the City of Markham.

# PART II - THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

(This is an operative part of Official Plan Amendment No. XXX)

#### PART II - THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

#### **10** THE OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT

**1.1** Section 3.3.2 of the Official Plan 2014, as amended, is hereby amended by replacing the last sentence of the second paragraph as follows:

"From a drinking water quantity perspective, the City will review groundwater recharge conditions within *significant groundwater redwarge areas* and *udlhead protection areas – quantity* with the intent of protecting groundwater resources."

**1.2** Section 3.3.2 of the Official Plan 2014, as amended, is hereby further amended by renumbering sections 3.3.2.3 through to 3.3.2.9 in sequence as sections 3.3.2.5 through to 3.3.2.11, and by adding two new subsections following section 3.3.2.2 as follows:

"3.3.2.3 That development, *reductopment*, and *site alteration* within *significant groundwater reductive areas* and *wellbead protection area – quantity* as shown on Appendix X – Clean Water Act Groundwater Recharge Areas be required to maintain pre-development recharge to the greatest extent feasible through best management practices, minimizing impervious surfaces, infiltration at the source, and where applicable, by having regard to the targets established in a *subwatershed plan* or master environmental servicing plan. A water balance assessment shall be required for development, *reductopment*, and *site alteration* where impervious surfaces will cover more than 500 m<sup>2</sup> or for a *major repeational use* 

3.3.2.4 That where a water balance assessment is required, any predicted loss of groundwater recharge within a *utilbead protection area – quantity* shall be offset by enhancing infiltration rates elsewhere within the same subwatershed and *utilbead protection area - quantity*."

- **1.3** Renumbered section 3.3.2.11 of the Official Plan 2014, as amended, is hereby amended by adding the words ", or temporary dewatering requiring a Permit to Take Water," immediately following the words "To prohibit permanent dewatering".
- **1.4** Section 10.6.2.3.b) of the Official Plan 2014, as amended, is hereby amended by adding "Water balance assessment" in a new bullet point under the bullet item "stormwater management report and/or design brief".
- **15** Section 11.2 of the Official Plan 2014, as amended, is hereby amended by adding a new definition following the definition of "Watershed plan", as follows:

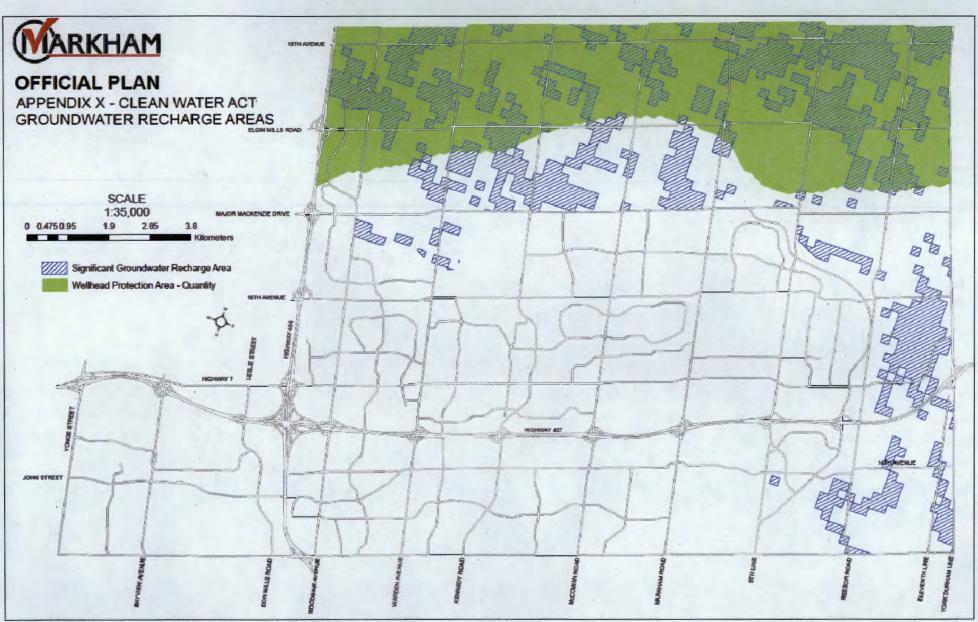
"Wellhead protection area – quantity means an area that has been identified as critical to maintain water balance and allowing municipal wells and groundwater to become replenished and is also identified as the Wellhead Protection Area Quantity (WHPA-Q1 and Q2) under the Clean Water Act as illustrated in the CTC Source Protection Plan."

**1.6** Appendix X – Clean Water Act Groundwater Recharge Areas, attached hereto, is hereby added as an Appendix of the Official Plan 2014, as amended.

#### 2.0 IMPLEMENTATION AND INTERPRETATION

The provisions of the City of Markham Official Plan 2014, as amended, regarding the implementation and interpretation of the Plan, shall apply in regard to this Amendment, except as specifically provided for in this Amendment.

(Mar 2016)



m: Qc/@somalics/Dspartmentol/Hamming/Policy/MIS27 Hew GPIONB Approved Sichedules June 20 18/Appendix X/Appendix X/Appendix A Clean Water Act Brownlowler Recharge Areas.mod

| Corporation of the Township of Essa |
|-------------------------------------|
| 5786 County Road 21                 |
| Utopia, Ontario                     |
| LOM 1TO                             |



| Telephone: (705) 424-9770                                  |
|--|
| Telephone: (705) 424-9770                                  |
| Fax: (705) 424-2367  |
| Web Site: www.essatownship.on.ca<br>- LEGISLATIVE SERVICES |
|  |

| Where Town and Country Meet   | Original<br>To: C(P |  |
|---|---------------------|--|
|   | Сор <b>у</b><br>То: |  |
| May 5, 2017   |                     |  |
| The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau<br>Office of the Prime Minister | C.C. S.C.C. File    |  |
| 80 Wellington Street<br>Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2                          | Take Appr. Action   |  |

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau:

Please be advised that Council, at their meeting held on April 19, 2017, passed the following resolution:

Resolution No: CR084-2017 Moved by: Macdonald Seconded by: Smith

Whereas Alisa Vegter made a presentation to Council outlining her proposed sign for "New Driver" Safety Initiative for G1 and G2 drivers; and Whereas Council for the Township of Essa hereby supports the endeavours of Alisa Vegter in

pursuing the recognition of the "New Driver" Sign; Now therefore be it resolved that this motion be forwarded to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of Ontario and Ontario municipalities for their support.

Carried

The attached illustrates the sign which would be displayed on the vehicles being driven by new drivers.

Yours truly.

Bonnie Sander Clerk Att.

c. Premier of Ontario, Kathleen Wynne MP Kellie Leach MPP Jim Wilson Ontario Municipalities



#### GANARASKA REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

#### MINUTES OF THE FULL AUTHORITY

#### April 20, 2017

#### FA 02/17

| <u>1. Welcome and Call to Order</u><br>The Chair called the Full Authority meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| MEMBERS PRESENT:   | Forrest Rowden, Chair - Town of Cobourg<br>Wendy Partner, Vice-Chair - Municipality of Clarington<br>Raymond Benns - Township of Alnwick/Haldimand<br>Mark Lovshin - Township of Hamilton<br>John Fallis - Township of Cavan Monaghan<br>Brian Darling, Town of Cobourg<br>Louise Ferrie-Blecher - Municipality of Port Hope<br>Heather Stauble - City of Kawartha Lakes |  |  |  |
| ALSO PRESENT:  | Linda Laliberte, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer<br>Mark Peacock, Director, Watershed Services<br>Greg Wells, Manager, Planning & Regulations<br>Steve McMullen, Forest Recreation Technician<br>Jeff Moxley, GIS/IT Coordinator<br>Cody Brown, GIS Technician   |  |  |  |
| ABSENT WITH<br>REGRETS:  | Jeff Lees - Municipality of Port Hope<br>Willie Woo - Municipality of Clarington   |  |  |  |

#### ALSO ABSENT:

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest None

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

FA 10/17MOVED BY:Wendy PartnerSECONDED BY:Heather Stauble

**THAT** the Full Authority approve the minutes of the March 16, 2017 meeting. **CARRIED.** 

4. Adoption of the Agenda

FA 11/17MOVED BY:John FallisSECONDED BY:Brian Darling

**THAT** the Full Authority adopt the agenda as presented. **CARRIED.** 

# 5. Delegations

6. Presentations

a) Northumberland Cadastral Fabric Project

Jeff Moxley and Cody Brown presented the project for members' information. The project was started in 2016 and is now in its fourth phase. The members asked questions in regards to the use of the information.

| FA 12/17     |              |
|--------------|--------------|
| MOVED BY:    | John Fallis  |
| SECONDED BY: | Mark Lovshin |

**THAT** the Full Authority receive the presentation for information purposes. **CARRIED.** 

7. Business Arising from Minutes None

8. Correspondence

<u>9. Applications under Ontario Regulation 168/06:</u> Permits approved by Executive:

FA 13/17MOVED BY:Brian FallisSECONDED BY:Heather Stauble

**THAT** the Full Authority receive the permits for information. **CARRIED.** 

Permit Application require Full Authority discussion: None

<u>10. Committee Reports:</u> a) Ganaraska Forest Recreation Users Committee Minutes - April 5, 2017

FA 14/17MOVED BY:Heather StaubleSECONDED BY:Mark Lovshin

**THAT** the Full Authority receive the Ganaraska Forest Recreation Users Committee Minutes from April 5, 2017 for information. **CARRIED.** 

<u>11. New Business:</u> None 12. Other Business None

<u>13. In Camera</u> None

<u>14. Adjourn</u> The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m. on a motion by Mark Lovshin.

CHAIR

CAO/SECRETARY-TREASURER

|                                      | C.S LEGISLATIVE SERVICES  | #292 127 # <b>2</b> 15             |
|--------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| From:<br>Sent:<br>To:<br>Subject:    | Copy<br>To: Jeff Davis <wheresjeff@hotmail.com><br/>May-04-17 1:53 PM<br/><u>clerks; Clerks</u><br/>Council seat qualifications.</wheresjeff@hotmail.com> |                                    |
| I wish my corres<br>available meetin | spondence to be on the agenda of the appropriate corners C.C. S.C.C. File   | nmittees and council at their next |

Last night, Regional and Oshawa City Councillor Bob Chapman won, and accepted the nomination for the provincial PC party for the Oshawa riding. As of this morning, Bob Chapman's main goal will be to campaign for and attempt to win election to the provincial legislature in June of 2018.

As a resident of Oshawa and Durham Region, I am absolutely disgusted that current legislation allows for an elected municipal representative to continue to receive taxpayer contributions that will inadvertently be used to fund a campaign for a different level of government. Whereas Mr. Chapman has clearly indicated his goal is no longer to serve his municipal constituents at the local city and regional level, I respectfully request that both the City of Oshawa and the Region of Durham immediately request the resignation of Bob Chapman.

Further, as this is not the first time, nor will it be the last time, that a local councillor aspires to greatness at a higher level of government, I am requesting and suggesting that procedures and/or bylaws be enacted that will set out, in definite terms, that any elected member of a local municipal council shall, upon nomination, election to represent, or otherwise becoming a candidate for election at a higher level of government, immediately, or within a set time limit not to exceed the meeting immediately after becoming a candidate for a higher government election, shall resign his/her seat on local council(s).

Similar legislation already exists at higher levels of government that should an elected MPP or MP seek election to a lower tier government, they must resign their current elected positions. It would appear that a portion of the intent of such legislation is to eliminate any conflict of interest, real or perceived, and to protect that any public assets are not used for such campaign. There should be no undue influence, again actual or perceived, in an election campaign by piggypacking one active legislative career into another.

While considering my request for a formal procedure and/or bylaws, the respective administrations of the Region of Durham and City of Oshawa should consider a set procedure for the filling of council vacancies during the term between elections. It would be my suggestion that vacancies within the first year be filled by promoting the next highest vote recipient from the most recent election for the SAME position. Vacancies created more than one year after the last municipal election should be filled by way of a byelection, up to the inclusion date of current provincial legislation which would allow the seat to remain vacant until the next scheduled municipal election. At not time, in my opinion, should an elected position be 'gifted' by council without the voice of the public having been recognized and sought. At no time should an elected member of a municipal council be granted a free pass to another level which he/she has not been duly elected to by the public they represent.

As such, at any time, should an active councillor seek election in a higher position, including from local council to regional council, councillor to mayor or regional chair, local/regional council to provincial legislature, or

loçal/regional councillor to federal representative, they should immediate resign their current seat, so that should a byelection be necessary for the intended open seat it can be effectively and efficiently held for both seats.

I would be happy to offer further explanation or clarification of my thoughts to any member of council or staff who might be interested or engaged in consideration of such proposals.

Please provide me confirmation of receipt, and when my correspondence will be addressed by committee of council.

Jeff Davis 426 Dickens Drive Oshawa, ON L1K 1N5

905-396-2361 (cell)



May 5, 2017

#### <u>Sent via email</u>

#### SEE DISTRIBUTION LIST

At Authority Meeting #3/17, of Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), held on April 21, 2017, Resolution #A51/17, as amended by Resolution #A52/17 in regard to Cornerstone Standards Council Certification for Aggregate: Procurement of Responsible Aggregate Materials, was approved as follows:

WHEREAS the Cornerstone Standards Council (CSC) has developed a voluntary certification system with industry leaders, environmental champions, community groups and First Nations;

AND WHEREAS voluntary certification systems have been found to successfully improve responsible practices in other resource sectors;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) demonstrate its support for the Cornerstone Standards Council Certification System by offering certified aggregate producers a competitive advantage during TRCA's tendering process;

THAT the Chair send a letter to the Board of Directors of the Cornerstone Standards Council and TRCA's municipal partners advising of TRCA's endorsement and support;

AND FURTHER THAT staff report with a review of the policy within three years' time.

Enclosed for your information and any action deemed necessary is the report as approved by the Authority. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Laura Stephenson at 416-661-6600 extension 5296, <u>lstephenson@trca.on.ca</u>.

Sincerely Shanke

Kathy Stranks Senior Manager, Corporate Secretariat CEO's Office

cc. Nic Schulz, Executive Director, Cornerstone Standards Council Copy Laura Stephenson, Associate Director, Project Management Office.

C.C. S.C.C. File C.C. S.C.C. File C.C. S.C.C. File

/Encl.

#### **DISTRIBUTION LIST**

Gloria Collier, Clerk, Town of Richmond Hill Mark Early, Chief Administrative Officer and Clerk, Town of Mono Peter Fay, City Clerk, Clerk's Department, City of Brampton Carey deGorter, General Manager, Corporate Services, Town of Caledon Crystal Greer, Clerk, Clerk's Department, City of Mississauga Alec Harras, Manager of Legislative Services / Deputy Clerk, Town of Ajax Barb Kane, Clerk and Deputy Treasurer, Township of Adjala-Tosorontio Michele Kennedy, Clerk, Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville Kimberley Kitteringham, City Clerk, City of Markham Debbie Leroux, Clerk, Township of Uxbridge Kathryn Lockyer, Regional Clerk and Director of Clerk's, Regional Municipality of Peel Lisa Lyons, Town Clerk, Corporate Services Department, Town of Aurora Barbara McEwan, City Clerk, City of Vaughan Kathryn Moyle, Clerk, Township of King Christopher Raynor, Regional Clerk, Regional Municipality of York Debbie Shields, City Clerk, City of Pickering Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk / Director, Legislative Services, Regional Municipality of Durham Ulli S. Watkiss, City Clerk, City Clerk's Office, City of Toronto

#### RES.#A51/17 -CORNERSTONE STANDARDS COUNCIL CERTIFICATION FOR AGGREGATE

Procurement of Responsible Aggregate Materials. Overview of the Cornerstone Standards Council's voluntary certification system for responsible aggregate extraction and TRCA consideration of CSC certified aggregate suppliers in future tenders.

| Moved by:    | Jack Heath     |  |  |
|--------------|----------------|--|--|
| Seconded by: | Colleen Jordan |  |  |

WHEREAS the Cornerstone Standards Council (CSC) has developed a voluntary certification system with industry leaders, environmental champions, community groups and First Nations:

AND WHEREAS voluntary certification systems have been found to successfully improve responsible practices in other resource sectors;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) demonstrate its support for the Cornerstone Standards Council Certification System by offering certified aggregate producers a competitive advantage during TRCA's tendering process;

AND FURTHER THAT the Chair send a letter to the Board of Directors of the Cornerstone Standards Council and TRCA's municipal partners advising of TRCA's endorsement and support.

# AMENDMENT

RES.#A52/17

Moved by: Jack Heath Seconded by: Colleen Jordan

THAT the following be inserted after the main motion:

AND FURTHER THAT staff report with a review of the policy within three years' time.

THE AMENDMENT WAS

THE MAIN MOTION, AS AMENDED, WAS

THE RESULTANT MOTION READS AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS the Cornerstone Standards Council (CSC) has developed a voluntary certification system with industry leaders, environmental champions, community groups and First Nations;

AND WHEREAS voluntary certification systems have been found to successfully improve responsible practices in other resource sectors;

CARRIED

CARRIED

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) demonstrate its support for the Cornerstone Standards Council Certification System by offering certified aggregate producers a competitive advantage during TRCA's tendering process;

THAT the Chair send a letter to the Board of Directors of the Cornerstone Standards Council and TRCA's municipal partners advising of TRCA's endorsement and support;

AND FURTHER THAT staff report with a review of the policy within three years' time.

#### BACKGROUND

In January 2015 the Cornerstone Standards Council released its Responsible Aggregate Standard (<u>www.cornerstonestandards.ca</u>), launching the world's first voluntary certification system for responsibly extracted aggregates. CSC encourages aggregate operators to improve their practices by going beyond the minimum requirements set by existing regulations. CSC offers a third-party verification system that provides independent auditing and monitoring of aggregate sites that demonstrate a commitment and achievement of a high environmental and social standard.

The CSC is a registered charity with a Board of Directors composed of representatives who have an interest in encouraging more responsible aggregate extraction practices. CSC is committed to fairly representing both industry, as well as environmental and community stakeholders in its decision making process. This balance is confirmed in CSC's by-laws and reflected in its Board of Directors outlined below.

CSC Directors as of November 2016:

- Lorne Johnson, Schad Foundation (CSC Co-Chair)
- John Pontarollo, CRH Canada Inc. (CSC Co-Chair)
- Peter Kendall, Earth Rangers
- Tim Gray, Environmental Defence
- Paul General, Six Nations of the Grand River
- Caroline Schultz, Ontario Nature
- Wendy Franks, Community member (GTA)
- Dick Hibma, Community member (Bruce Peninsula)
- Xavier Guesnu, Lafarge Canada Inc.
- Ryan Essex, Miller Group
- Bill Galloway, aggregate consultant
- Rodney Wilts, Windmill Development Group
- Thomas Mueller, Canada Green Building Council
- John Matheson, Strategy Corps

CSC's Responsible Aggregate Standard is composed of seven principles and 37 core requirements that a pit or quarry must demonstrate conformance with in order to be deemed CSC certified. CSC Certified operations raise the bar above legal requirements in the following ways:

#### • Commitment to efficient resource use

Aggregate operators who are CSC certified commit to the efficient use and conservation of aggregates and other resources (e.g. fuel, energy, water). This is achieved by using fewer materials, reusing materials and employing recycled content whenever possible. Certified operators also pursue optimal use of existing sites and transportation networks.

#### • Best operational practices

•

Cornerstone Standards Council reinforces the importance of adopting standard operating procedures (SOPs) for responsible operations. Certified operations must adopt SOPs that address key operating issues (e.g. noise, air quality (vehicle emissions and dust), safeguarding of water, and traffic management) consistent with international best-practices.

#### Meaningful community engagement

CSC requires certified sites to undertake meaningful consultation with local communities and other stakeholders. This includes early engagement with municipalities, conservation authorities and other interested parties by creating and resourcing a Public Advisory Committee.

#### • Protection of high conservation values

CSC requires that new operations that wish to be certified ensure that important natural heritage values and areas (e.g. core areas of municipal plans, natural cliffs) are not negatively impacted by the operation.

#### Enhanced natural heritage systems

CSC requires that new aggregate operations that wish to be certified work with conservation authorities, source protection committees, municipalities and other interested parties to ensure that natural heritage systems are identified, adhered to and enhanced, where possible, through rehabilitation and offsetting.

There are currently two CSC certified aggregate operations in Ontario. The first to successfully demonstrate conformance with CSC's Responsible Aggregate Standard is CRH Canada Group Inc.'s Acton Quarry located in Halton Region's amalgamated Town of Halton Hills. The second is Lafarge Canada Inc.'s Oro Pit in Simcoe County. One other Lafarge operation has undergone an audit by CSC and did not meet full conformance with CSC's requirements. An additional two operations have signed agreements to undergo a certification audit this coming June and three more operations (including two small operators) are scheduled for pre-assessment audits this summer.

#### RATIONALE

Each year TRCA purchases an average of 200,000 tonnes of aggregate, including armourstone, cobble, sand and gravel to support construction and maintenance activities that support TRCA's flood, erosion control, habitat restoration, trail, road and building projects. Purchase of this aggregate is undertaken in compliance with TRCA's Purchasing Policy. Section 23 of this Policy outlines TRCA's commitment to considering social and environmental sustainability when procuring goods and services in accordance with the mandate of the organization and The Living City vision. Specifically this section of the Policy encourages the purchase of products and services that minimize negative environmental impacts over their life cycle.

In accordance with this Policy, TRCA staff will be formally identifying preference for aggregate supplied by vendors from a pit or quarry that is CSC certified. This change is proposed to come into effect once five local aggregate suppliers have been certified by CSC. This will include future annual call for tenders for the supply and delivery of aggregate as part of TRCA's Vendors of Record process. Those vendors responding to TRCA's tender call will be evaluated as follows:

| Criteria                           | Points |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| Experience and Corporate Resources | 30     |
| Reference Check                    | 20     |
| CSC Certified                      | 5      |
| Reasonableness of Cost             | 45     |
| Total                              | 100    |

Suppliers proposing to supply CSC certified aggregate will be awarded five points as part of the evaluation.

For contracts that fall outside of the Vendors of Record arrangement, a sustainability clause in TRCA's procurement documents will identify TRCA preference for CSC certification in awarding the contract. If the lowest bidder is not certified, TRCA will reserve the right to award the contract to the next lowest bidder with certification if their price is a predetermined percentage above the lowest bid. For contracts valued at less than \$100,000 the next lowest bidder with certification will be considered if their bid is within 5% of the lowest bid. For contracts valued at more than \$100,000 the next lowest bidder with certification will be considered if their bid is within 2% of the lowest bid.

TRCA's identified preference to purchase aggregate produced through certified responsible extraction practices will demonstrate TRCA's leadership in promoting a green economy. It is also thought that by offering a competitive advantage to those producers that go beyond the minimum requirements set by existing regulations and participating in the voluntary third-party certification system offered by CSC, that more local aggregate producers will be encouraged to become certified. This has been demonstrated in other voluntary certification systems that TRCA has supported such as the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) and the Green Building Council's LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification, where market demand has been a driver of responsible practices and improved performance.

#### FINANCIAL DETAILS

In TRCA's experience aggregate pricing provided by local certified aggregate producers has remained competitive. The results of the aggregate Vendor of Record procurement process and other future aggregate tenders will provide details on comparative pricing between certified and non-certified sources of aggregate for Authority consideration and approval.

#### DETAILS OF WORK TO BE DONE

TRCA's support for purchasing certified aggregate materials meets our Corporate Social Responsibility commitment and is expected to be a market-based driver to increase the level of responsible aggregate extraction within the region. By doing so TRCA will set a precedent that can be followed by other conservation authorities, municipalities and private developers. Staff recommend that the Chair send a letter to the CSC Board confirming TRCA's support by offering certified aggregate producers a competitive advantage as part of TRCA's tendering process and further that TRCA's municipal partners also be notified of our support for CSC certification.

Report prepared by: Laura Stephenson, extension 5296 Emails: <u>lstephenson@trca.on.ca</u> For Information contact: Laura Stephenson, extension 5296 Emails: <u>lstephenson@trca.on.ca</u> Date: April 5, 2017

|  | C.S LEGISLATI SERVICES  |                      |
|--|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Lake Simcoe Region<br>conservation authority | Original<br>To:         | MAY 5'17 PM3:11      |
|  | J. Presta<br>C. Drinnie | A Watershed for Life |
| May 5, 2017                                  | C.C. S.C.C. File        |                      |
| Dear Watershed Partner:                      | Take Appr. Action       |                      |

#### Re: 2016 Lake Simcoe Subwatershed Plans Implementation Report

It is my pleasure to provide you with a copy of the report which summarizes the 2016 accomplishments of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority and its provincial and municipal partners in achieving the recommendations of its subwatershed plans.

Subwatershed plans are a requirement of the Provincial *Lake Simcoe Protection Plan* (LSPP) and are intended to provide more detailed guidance on how to meet the goals and objectives of the LSPP at more local scales. Since the release of the LSPP in 2009, LSRCA, along with its provincial and municipal partners, have developed plans for those subwatersheds located in York Region, Durham Region, Innisfil, Barrie, Oro-Medonte, Orillia, Ramara, and Kawartha Lakes, as well as one for Georgina Island. We reached a significant milestone in 2016, as we have now worked our way around the watershed and completed the final set of subwatershed plans required under the LSPP.

As each plan is completed, we transition into the implementation phase, which requires ongoing partnering among the participating agencies to ensure the recommendations of the subwatershed plan are achieved. This annual report is an important part of the implementation phase, as it allows us to maintain focus on this important work and to be accountable to watershed stakeholders.

If you have any questions on the report, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Michaellik

Michael Walters Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment

120 Bayview Parkway, Box 282<br/>Newmarket, Ontario L3Y 4X1Tel: 905.895.1281<br/>Fax: 905.853.58811.800.465.0437<br/>E-Mail: Info@LSRCA.on.ca<br/>E-Mail: Info@LSRCA.on.caProud winner of the International Thiess RiverprizeMember of Conservation Ontario

# Lake Simcoe Subwatershed Plans Implementation Report



2016

# The Lake Simcoe Watershed

Occupying 3,400 square kilometres, from the Oak Ridges Moraine in the south to the Oro Moraine in the north, the Lake Simcoe watershed contains 20 municipalities and is home to over 400,000 residents. It has 18 major river systems draining 4,225 kilometres of creek into the lake. To protect the health of the watershed, the LSRCA and its partners have been working since 2010 to develop subwatershed plans for the tributaries flowing into Lake Simcoe. This report highlights the important efforts of LSRCA and its provincial and municipal partners to undertake the recommendations developed through the subwatershed planning process.



# **Subwatershed Plans**

As of 2016, subwatershed plans have been completed for nearly all of the tributaries flowing into the lake, as well as the islands of the Georgina Island First Nation. As part of the subwatershed planning process, implementation plans have been developed which identify a schedule of priority projects to be completed, as well as which government agencies will be responsible for their completion.

In order to ensure this work remains on track, LSRCA and its partners develop this annual report as a mechanism to track and report on progress, and identify any areas where progress has been delayed. 2016 was the fourth year of the implementation phase of these subwatershed plans and represents a year of continued efforts by all of our partnering agencies to implement the subwatershed plan recommendations.

Given that we are coming up on year five of the implementation process, LSRCA made a concerted effort within this reporting cycle to highlight the ongoing efforts of our partners, and to discuss with our partners and internal staff the feasibility and applicability of the implementation of the remaining deliverables set out in the implementation plans. This report showcases some of the activities that LSRCA and our partners have undertaken that contribute to the successful implementation of the subwatershed plan recommendations.

# SHOWCASED WORKS

# MNRF Response to Water Soldier on the Black River

A major subwatershed management implementation plan deliverable for the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is the creation and implementation of Invasive Species Response Plans. An example of their continued efforts to accomplish this deliverable is their currently active efforts at responding to Water Soldier, a newly introduced aquatic invasive species. These efforts are detailed below:

On October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015, MNRF staff discovered a colony of Water Soldier (*Stratiotes aloides*) in the Black River in the Town of Georgina during routine wetland evaluations. Follow-up investigations assessed the colony at 300-400



A colony of water soldier (Photo credit: Aurora district MNRF)

plants, with two small satellite colonies downstream. All plants were discovered upstream of the Sutton Dam.

Recognizing the plant's ability to spread prolifically, the proximity of the colonies to Lake Simcoe, and understanding the Black River population's early stages of development, it was agreed by MNRF, the MOECC, and the OFAH Invasive Species program that swift action was required to control the spread of water soldier in the Black River. A response was immediately launched that incorporated rigorous monitoring and assessment, multiple control measures, and awareness campaigns. This response relied upon a collaborative approach between MNRF and external agencies, stakeholders, and partners to maximize the potential of controlling water soldier in the Lake Simcoe watershed. These efforts continued into 2016, recognizing the ability of water soldier to persist even after initial control efforts have been carried out. Minimal regrowth in the 2015 colony areas was observed in 2016; however a new colony comprised of emergent and submergent

plants was discovered upstream. The collaborative nature of the water soldier response is building - in 2016 the Town of Georgina joined the efforts and supported the installation of a floating barrier at the Sutton Dam to prevent dispersal and



MNRF staff harvesting water soldier (Photo credit: Aurora district MNRF)

propagation downstream. Given MNRF's prompt actions, water soldier has not become established downstream of the Sutton Dam, and regrowth after treatment has been minimal. Efforts will need to persist if complete eradication is to occur.

Lake Simcoe Subwatershed Plan Implementation Report - 2016

# Partnering Municipalities: Annual Tree Plantings

The community organization Neighbourhood Network partnered with the municipalities of Aurora, Newmarket, East Gwillimbury, King, and Georgina and the LSRCA to undertake a number of coordinated tree planting events in the spring of 2016. These tree planting events are completed annually and are among the many stewardship projects that help accomplish deliverables within the subwatershed implementation plans and help benefit water quality and quantity in the watershed.

The tree planting events occurred on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and resulted in the planting of 2,450 native trees and shrubs on six sites (two sites



Volunteers participate in a Neighbourhood Network tree planting event

in Newmarket and one site within each of the other municipalities). Approximately 200 volunteers came out to plant trees in their neighbourhood.

# **OMAFRA: Water Smart Farm Projects**

Further contributing to the accomplishment of subwatershed management goals, the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) has been engaging in continued stewardship and engagement efforts that help promote water quality and quantity improvements within the watershed. Recently, for example, OMAFRA has contracted Farm & Food Care to conduct a number of water use assessments to help growers better understand how and where they use water. By having better information, growers are often able to reduce their water use, cut costs, and generally find lower cost treatment systems.

**Project Goals:** 

- Water use optimization by considering risk (amount), economics, and in-plant water requirements and timing of use.
- Optimize irrigation water use by considering risk (amount), economics, and field water distribution patterns.

Each assessment will include:

- On-site collection of information pertaining to current water uses, losses and estimated costs;
- Preparation of a water balance showing current water inputs and outputs in the process, and alternatives such as reuse, reduction and recycling opportunities;
- Identification of opportunities to reduce, reuse and optimize current water use and losses;
- Development of business cases (costs, equipment life, simple payback, etc.) for

implementation of the identified opportunities, and recommendations; and

 Delivery of a final report documenting the current situation, identified opportunities, economic assessment, and recommendations.

**Grower Benefits:** 

- Water use and wastewater use characterization;
- Identification of opportunities to reduce water & energy use, reduce wear & tear on equipment, cost savings and simple paybacks;
- Identification of potential incentive programs to implement opportunities;
- Third party verification of the system

NOTE: Water quality analysis is not shared with OMAFRA.

For further information about the project please see their website for a video and contact information: <u>http://www.farmfoodcareon.org/water-smart-farm-projects/</u>

# **MOECC: E-Flows Assessment**

MOECC has developed a partnership with LSRCA to complete an environmental flow assessment for two creeks within the Lake Simcoe watershed, Lover's Creek, for which this assessment has been completed, and the East Holland River, which is underway. These projects arose directly from the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan, which required the development of flow targets for water quantity stressed subwatersheds, as well as from subwatershed plan recommendations regarding the potential impacts of land use change to the many types of flow needed to maintain ecological function within a watercourse, including baseflow, subsistence flow, high pulse flow, channel forming flow, and riparian flow. By completing this project we are able to better understand the relationship between land use change and flows to the creeks within the watershed as well as better equip our planning department with real world evidence that supports Low Impact Development projects. The effects of land use changes highlighted through this project include increasing levels of all components of the flow regime, from baseflow to storm flows; more frequent and higher pulse flows, with a shortened rise to peak flow, corresponding with storm events; and increasing magnitude and duration of large flows. These effects are expected to increase with continued land use change.

The changes to the flow regime resulting from land use change have been, and will increasingly be, affected by climate change, where storms are becoming much more intense (a storm which, before settlement, would have been considered a 100-year storm has now become the 10-20 year storm); highlighting the need for a new approach to managing precipitation in both urban and rural areas in order to reduce the volume of precipitation runoff and sustain more natural flows in local watercourses. In urban areas, implementation of Low Impact Development and increasing green infrastructure will be key to meeting this goal, and in rural areas solutions include capturing and reusing tile drainage and increasing forest cover.

# Low Impact Development Implementation

The LSRCA continues to work with its partners to implement LID around the watershed. It partnered with municipalities to complete eight low impact development projects (including, but not limited to, projects at the civic centre in East Gwillimbury, the Aurora Community Centre in the Town of Aurora, Coultice Park in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville, and Forest Glen in Newmarket, which is further discussed below). LSRCA also completed construction of a new parking lot with a number of LID features. In addition to contributing to recommendations related to water quantity and quality within the subwatershed plans, these projects raise awareness of LID within the community.

By way of example, the Forest Glen Project was intended to mitigate frequent flooding along Western Creek, a tributary of the East Holland River, in an established area of Newmarket. The project featured significant community involvement, and included the installation of a bioswale/filter system, which was comprised of raingardens integrated within the bioswale features in front of each of the residences; and subsurface drainage layers (including a layer of red sand) integrated as two linear conveyance features along each side of the roadway will enhance the filtering of stormwater runoff through the neighbourhood area draining through the LID system thus improve water quality. In summary, this LID retrofit will enhance conveyance capacity, provide stormwater volume reduction, and improve water quality, particularly with respect to phosphorus and total suspended solids.



Forest Glen project construction and LID features (Photo credit: LSRCA)

# Summary of Progress

| Number of activities which are   |          |                                |                                    |          |  |
|--|----------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------|--|
| 2016 Subwatershed Plan Theme Areas                                     | Complete | On target<br>for<br>completion | Not on<br>target for<br>completion | Past due |  |
| Governance of implementation plans                                     |          | 2                              |                                    |          |  |
| Increasing use of Low Impact Development<br>Solutions (LID)            | 2        | 5                              |                                    |          |  |
| Improving construction and road development practices                  | 1        | 3                              | 1                                  |          |  |
| Natural channel design   |          |                                | 5                                  |          |  |
| Planning, development and enforcement processes                        | 1        | 4                              | 2                                  |          |  |
| Improving property management  |          | 3                              |                                    |          |  |
| Reducing salt use  | 1        | 5                              |                                    |          |  |
| Aquatic and terrestrial ecosystem restoration                          |          | 3                              | 1                                  |          |  |
| Urban stormwater retrofits   |          | 1                              |                                    |          |  |
| Protecting and restoring natural heritage features through stewardship | 1        |                                | 1                                  |          |  |
| Prioritizing stewardship projects                                      | 2        | 1                              |                                    |          |  |
| Preserving water quantity  | 1        | 5                              |                                    |          |  |
| Dealing with dust and atmospheric deposition                           |          |                                | 1                                  |          |  |
| Promoting stewardship to increase uptake                               | 1        | 7                              |                                    |          |  |
| Improving the reporting of monitoring data                             |          | 4                              |                                    |          |  |
| Improving data collection  |          | 1                              |                                    |          |  |
| Assessing stewardship effectiveness                                    |          | 3                              |                                    |          |  |
| Overall Progress – 2016  | 10       | 47                             | 11                                 | 0        |  |

The details are included in the tables below.

| Activity   | Lead                        | Year 4<br>2016 | Comments   |
|--|-----------------------------|----------------|--|
| Governance of In   | plementation P              | lans           |  |
| Host periodic meetings of the implementation working group*  | LSRCA                       | •              |  |
| Share annual reports with partners*  | LSRCA                       | •              |  |
| Increasing use of Low Impac  | ct Development              | Solutions      | (LID)  |
| Develop LID funding strategy   | LSRCA                       | •              | March March  |
| Develop stewardship funding categories for LID projects  | LSRCA                       | •              |  |
| Develop information and educational materials for<br>landowners detailing how they can promote<br>infiltration and reduce the volume of stormwater<br>runoff on their own properties | LSRCA                       | *              |  |
| Pursue LID through redevelopment*  | Municipalities              | ۲              |  |
| Incorporate LID in stormwater master plans   | Municipalities              | *              |  |
| Continue to hold design charrettes to engage developers in including LID in plans of subdivision   | LSRCA                       | ۲              |  |
| Adopt model site alteration by-law developed by<br>LSRCA Stormwater Management Policy Working<br>Group   | LSRCA and<br>Municipalities | •              |  |
| Improving construction and   | d road developn             | nent practi    | ces  |
| Review practices in use in Lake Simcoe watershed,<br>and elsewhere, in addressing common barriers to<br>managing erosion and sediment control programs                               | LSRCA                       | *              |  |
| Develop funding model to support appropriate<br>erosion and sediment control practices   | LSRCA                       | •              |  |
| Provide training for sediment and erosion control inspectors*  | LSRCA                       | ۲              |  |
| Monitor and report on implementation of sediment<br>and erosion control best practices on an annual<br>basis   | Municipalities              |                | Further work required by<br>LSRCA to assist<br>municipalities in reporting |
| Include assessment of providing barrier-free<br>connectivity for wildlife in municipal infrastructure<br>EAs*  | Municipalities              | •              |  |
| Natural ch   | annel design                |                | the second second  |
| Establish a pilot project to focus efforts on modifying a municipal drain to promote ecological function.  | LSRCA                       | ۲              | On hold to focus on other priorities                                       |

| Activity   | Lead                         | Year 4<br>2016 | Comments                                  |
|--|------------------------------|----------------|---|
| Promote use of features such as grassed buffers,<br>two stage channels, or weirs on headwater wetlands<br>to manage drains, while minimizing impacts on<br>agricultural drainage   | LSRCA                        | •              | On hold to focus on other<br>priorities   |
| Update LSRCA watercourse layer to identify which<br>watercourses are free-flowing and which are<br>enclosed  | LSRCA                        | •              | On hold to explore in 2017.               |
| Review drainage reports and notes from initial land<br>surveys to estimate which drains are natural<br>watercourses and which have either been extended<br>or created  | LSRCA                        | •              | On hold to explore in 2017.               |
| Host workshop for conservation authority staff, farm<br>community, drainage superintendents, and drainage<br>contractors on managing ecosystem function in<br>municipal drains   | LSRCA                        | •              | On hold to focus on other priorities      |
| Planning, development a  | nd enforcement               | t processe     | S   |
| Develop a natural heritage mitigation policy   | LSRCA                        | •              |   |
| Develop approvals for the Lake Simcoe Phosphorus<br>Offsetting Program pilot project   | MOECC and LSRCA              | •              |   |
| Make Tier 2 water budget model available for use,<br>with protocol for model revisions based on detailed<br>aggregate pit monitoring data  | LSRCA                        | *              |   |
| Develop a process for reviewing aggregate<br>applications with the support of the Tier 2 integrated<br>water model (or other model as deemed<br>appropriate), in order to look at cumulative impacts<br>that may result from water takings. This process<br>may include the development of a screening tool to<br>determine when the model is necessary. | MOECC and<br>LSRCA           | •              | On hold to focus on other priorities.     |
| Provide and/or participate in training session to staff<br>from MNRF, MOECC, and proponents on the review<br>process, and data required from proponents  | LSRCA,<br>MNRF, and<br>MOECC | •              | Dependent on above recommendation.        |
| Revise ECA process for stormwater ponds in ESGRAs  | MOECC and LSRCA              | •              |   |
| Develop draft policies for consideration in municipal<br>Official Plan updates, Secondary Plans, and<br>Community Improvement Plans to ensure<br>consistency with subwatershed plan<br>recommendations   | Municipalities               | •              | Ongoing as official plans<br>are updated. |
| Improving prop   | erty manageme                | nt             |   |
| Continue to collect natural heritage data in public lands*   | MNRF                         | •              |   |

| Activity  | Lead                        | Year 4<br>2016 | Comments  |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------|---|
| Pending results of pilot study, expand use of<br>invasive species monitoring protocol to other public<br>lands in Durham Region                                 | LSRCA                       | ۲              |   |
| Review public lands for opportunities to contribute to subwatershed health  | All public agencies         | •              |   |
| Reducir   | ig salt use                 |                |   |
| Host Salt Management Working Group meetings   | LSRCA                       | ۲              |   |
| Provide Smart about Salt training   | LSRCA                       | •              |   |
| Evaluate effectiveness of training program in<br>reducing application of road salt  | LSRCA                       | *              |   |
| Develop map of priority areas for windbreak<br>establishment, to manage blowing snow and dust   | LSRCA and<br>Municipalities | •              | Work has been done by<br>researchers at the<br>University of Guelph; the<br>information needs to be<br>shared with our partner<br>agencies. |
| Continue to monitor chloride*   | MOECC                       | •              |   |
| Update salt management plans, as needed   | Municipalities              | •              | _   |
| Aquatic and terrestria  | l ecosystem res             | storation      |   |
| Share stewardship targets with Stewardship<br>Network   | LSRCA                       | ۲              |   |
| Continue to implement stewardship projects  | All public agencies         | •              |   |
| Implement activities identified in Invasive Species<br>Response Plans   | MNRF                        | ۲              |   |
| Continue to provide information on invasive species to nurseries in the Lake Simcoe watershed   | MNRF                        | •              |   |
| Urban storm   | water retrofits             |                |   |
| Review operations to reduce phosphorus loading in uncontrolled areas  | Municipalities              | •              | 5   |
| Protecting and restoring  | anatural heritag            | e features     | 3   |
| Review results of grassland bird conservation<br>studies and other relevant studies being conducted<br>by MNRF, Bird Studies Canada, OFA, and their<br>partners | LSRCA                       | +              |   |

| Activity  | Lead                         | Year 4<br>2016 | Comments   |
|---|------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Develop and/or compile information on reducing impacts of human activities on urban natural areas   | LSRCA                        | •              | Reviewing an alternative strategy  |
| Prioritizing ste  | wardship projec              | :ts            |  |
| Share stewardship prioritization mapping with<br>members of the Lake Simcoe Stewardship Network   | LSRCA                        | 1              |  |
| Establish short- and long-term stewardship targets based on priority issues identified in subwatershed plans.   | LSRCA                        | +              |  |
| Review existing funding programs, to ensure that<br>stewardship funds are provided in locations, and for<br>project types, where maximum benefit can be<br>achieved | LSRCA,<br>MNRF and<br>OMAFRA | •              |  |
| Preserving  | water quantity               |                |  |
| Provide ESGRA maps and guidance to municipalities   | LSRCA                        | •              |  |
| Enhance and down-scale existing regional-scale<br>integrated water models, using modelling framework<br>developed by MNR, to develop subwatershed-scale<br>model    | LSRCA                        | •              |  |
| After subwatershed-scale integrated water model is developed, use it in e-flow assessment   | MOECC and LSRCA              | •              |  |
| Develop in-stream flow targets for Lovers Creek   | MOECC and LSRCA              | *              |  |
| Develop strategy to achieve in-stream flow targets  | MOECC and LSRCA              | •              |  |
| After pilot in-stream flow assessment and strategy completed, apply to other stressed tributaries in the Lake Simcoe watershed                                      | MOECC and LSRCA              | •              |  |
| Use in-stream flow targets in PTTW decisions in the Lovers Creek subwatershed   | MOECC                        | N/A            | Results have indicated<br>that water takings are not<br>a stressor in Lovers Creek |
| Dealing with dust and   | atmospheric de               | eposition      |  |
| Develop an 'action plan' to reduce atmospheric deposition associated with municipal, aggregate, and agricultural operations   | MOECC                        | •              |  |
| Promoting stewards  | hip to increase              | uptake         |  |
| Develop online communication strategy   | LSRCA                        | -              |  |
| Continue to release watershed newsletters*  | LSRCA                        | •              |  |

Lake Simcoe Subwatershed Plan Implementation Report - 2016

| Activity  | Lead                        | Year 4<br>2016 | Comments |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Maintain website, to ensure information remains current*  | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Expand LSRCA website to provide information on<br>range of stewardship funding programs available in<br>the Lake Simcoe watershed, with contact<br>information                      | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Continue to showcase stewardship projects*  | LSRCA and<br>Municipalities | •              |          |
| Engage community groups active in local subwatersheds*  | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Revise communication tools to address identified barriers to stewardship participation  | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Submit notices and articles to newsletters of local residents associations, on issues related to subwatershed management, and opportunities to participate in stewardship programs* | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Improving the repor   | ting of monitorin           | ng data        |          |
| Establish and maintain an on-line library of reports<br>and scientific studies on Lake Simcoe and its<br>watershed  | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Develop web portal for KPI reporting  | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Analyse and report on Key Performance Indicators<br>of watershed health*  | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Implement enhanced monitoring program, as necessary to report on Key Performance Indicators   | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Improving   | data collection             |                |          |
| Review monitoring data and monitoring program to<br>enable further assessment of emerging trends in<br>watershed health*  | MOECC and LSRCA             | •              |          |
| Assessing stewa   | rdship effectiver           | iess           |          |
| Conduct literature review of factors related to stewardship behaviour of private land owners**  | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Monitor and determine barriers to uptake of stewardship programs, and successful examples**   | LSRCA                       | •              |          |
| Refine stewardship prioritization tools based on research on barriers to stewardship participation  | LSRCA                       | •              |          |

\* Annual ongoing works \*\* Pilot complete with respect to stormwater management on private properties

#### C.S. - LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

일그는 위기가 나온다는

| Ministry of Tourism,   | Ministry of  | Original          |         |
|--|--|-------------------|---------|
| Culture and Sport  | Transportation   | TO: CIP           | * 20    |
| Minister   | Minister   | Copy & Anderson   |         |
| 9th Floor, Hearst Block<br>900 Bay Street<br>Toronto, ON M7A 2E1 | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Ferguson Block<br>77 Wellesley St W.<br>Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8 | To: Dent fleads   | Ontario |
| Monday, May 8, 2017  |  |                   |         |
| Deer Volued Cycling De   | uto ara i  | C.C. S.C.C. File  |         |
| Dear Valued Cycling Pa   | intriers.  | Take Appr. Action |         |

On April 27<sup>th</sup>, Ontario tabled the 2017 Budget. This budget returns the government to balance while continuing to make investments that make everyday life easier for people all across Ontario.

We are very proud that our budget includes an investment of \$50 million for commuter cycling infrastructure in 2017–18 to give Ontarians a safe and low-cost commuting alternative between residential communities, workplaces, major transit stations and other destinations and while enhancing their safety and well-being through investments in infrastructure. This will enable people to take bikes and transit for their daily commute instead of personal vehicles, effectively reducing GHG emissions.

Your advocacy contributed to the creation of #CycleON -- Ontario's cycling strategy -- which serves as a blueprint to help us create healthy, active and prosperous communities that have better cycling infrastructure and safer streets and highways.

At the recent Share the Road Cycling Coalition annual Ontario Bike Summit, we reiterated our government's commitment to implement Ontario's Cycling Strategy, #CycleON. Through #CycleON, the province is working to identify a long-term network of cycling routes across Ontario that will:

- Promote recreational cycling and cycling tourism;
- · Connect municipal cycling routes and places of interest;
- · Identify areas of provincial infrastructure that should accommodate cycling; and,
- Prioritize future cycling infrastructure investments on provincial highways.

The draft network we've identified includes over 8,000km of cycling routes that connect the regions of the province – and the people that live there providing access to major communities and destinations. We invite you to view and submit comments on the draft network at <u>www.ontario.ca/cycling</u>. The comment period has been extended until May 26, 2017.

Over 70 per cent of Ontario's population resides within 5km of these cycling routes. The province-wide network has the potential to enhance tourism and recreation opportunities across the province. And in urban areas, the network is also an opportunity to look at developing routes that will serve both recreational and commuter routes in the years to come.

It was around this time last year that our government announced our commitment to provide \$10 million under the Ontario Municipal Cycling Infrastructure program to 37 cities and towns across the province that are working to build new or improve their existing cycling infrastructure in ways that make sense locally. This includes urban, suburban and rural communities like Brampton, Niagara, Ottawa, Chatham-Kent, Kingston, and Thunder Bay among others.

In 2015, we also announced an additional commitment of \$15 million for routes along provincial highways so that cyclists have a connected and continuous network.

The cycling investment in Budget 2017 builds on the recent cycling initiatives that the government has made. This unprecedented investment promotes cycling and walking as part of a healthy, active lifestyle while making commuter cycling easier and safer.

Last month, we were pleased to introduce Ontario's first Cycling Tourism Plan: Tour by Bike. It's no secret that cycling tourism in Ontario is experiencing rapid growth as more people realize what a fun and healthy form of transportation cycling can be. Ontario is home to an extensive cycling and trails network that stretches across the province, connects our communities and offers unique views of our urban and rural landscapes. Through this plan, we will continue to work to increase and promote cycling as a tourism draw in Ontario communities. Tour by Bike builds on the work we began with the Tourism Action Plan and the Strategic Framework for Tourism in Ontario.

We all have the same goal. We want to continue making Ontario a safe place to cycle, and to stand out as a world-class cycling destination. Our work to date has positioned us well as we move forward with the Tour by Bike and our new commuter cycling infrastructure investment. Of course, your input and collaboration is invaluable to this process. We are excited to keep working with you, and look forward to continuing to grow cycling in Ontario together.

All our best,

Eleanor McMahon Minister Steven Del Duca Minister If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2097.

# The Regional Municipality of Durham

# MINUTES

# AFFORDABLE AND SENIORS' HOUSING TASK FORCE COMMITTEE

# Wednesday, April 19, 2017

A regular meeting of the Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force Committee was held on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 in the Council Chambers, Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 9:00 AM

- Present: Councillor Ballinger, Township of Uxbridge, attended for part of the meeting Councillor Carter, City of Oshawa Councillor Chapman, Chair, City of Oshawa Councillor Drew, Township of Scugog Councillor Foster, Municipality of Clarington, attended for part of the meeting Councillor Grant, Township of Brock, attended for part of the meeting Councillor Jordan, Town of Ajax Councillor Pickles, Vice-Chair, City of Pickering Councillor Roy, Town of Whitby, attended for part of the meeting Regional Chair Anderson
- Absent: Councillor Ryan, City of Pickering

Staff

- Present: A. Andrews, Manager, Strategic Partnerships, Income and Employment Support, Social Services
  - 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. Inacio, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services Information Technology
  - R. Jagoe, Policy Analyst, Housing Services, Social Services
  - J. Kelly, Principal Planner, Strategic Planning, Planning and Economic Development
  - C. McCreight, Administrative Assistant, Social Services
  - M. Simpson, Director, Financial Planning and Purchasing, Finance Department
  - A. Wakeford, Senior Solicitor, Corporate Services Legal Services
  - N. Prasad, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services Legislative Services

# 1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Regional Chair Anderson, Seconded by Councillor Ballinger, That the agenda for the April 19, 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 Pickles, Seconded by Councillor Carter, That the minutes of the Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force meeting held on March 22, 2017 be adopted. CARRIED

# 4. Opening Remarks, Purpose and Objectives

Chair Chapman stated that the following points will be discussed at the meeting:

- To profile the supply side of the affordable and seniors housing equation
- Present an overview of good practices from other jurisdictions
- Collectively discuss the opportunities for Durham Region associated with increasing affordable housing supply
- Next steps

# 5. **Presentations**

#### A) <u>Scugog: Innovation through Co-ownership</u>

Martha Casson provided a PowerPoint Presentation with regards to Shared Living – Ownership or Rental: An Aging in Place Strategy.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Our Understanding of Your Task
- Through a lens that places a focus on the housing needs of seniors
- Overview
- Our Definition
- Why this Model?
- Bad Stuff Happens
- Calculating Future Costs of a Retirement Home
- And more bad news...Calculating Monthly Nursing Home Costs

- What we Have Created
- Features
- Financial Commitment
- Legal Agreement
- Why You Might Care
- Rental Opportunities
- Design issues for rentals and owned homes
- Local Benefits of our Shared Living
- Press to Date
- Provincial and Federal Benefits
- Benefits to Us

M. Casson stated that her definition of a shared home is a single detached home that is co-owned by the residents; includes private and common spaces; is self-managed with services purchased as needed; and is a place where needs drive the evolution of the physical design and support services needed to allow aging in place. She stated the shared home model works for her due to social considerations; health and safety needs; financial imperatives; unsatisfactory alternative models; reduction of burden to families; and reduction of burden to tax payers.

M. Casson stated that their shared home was created with easy access to all downtown amenities; equipped with accessible details such as an elevator and wide doorways; has approximately 3400 sq. feet of space; and a 10 foot wrap around covered porch. She also stated that the home has four suites with ensuite bathrooms and walk-in closets; an upstairs and main floor laundry; an upstairs foyer and reading room; and a 3 car garage. M. Casson further stated that the home was renovated for under \$300,000 paid by each owner and operating costs are around \$1,350 a month per owner.

M. Casson stated that shared living changes the definition of "affordable" housing and it is one mechanism to allow seniors to stay in their communities safely and at no added cost to the taxpayer.

M. Casson responded to questions with regards to: type of ownership of the home; situations where one owner would like to move; the application process to find another person when one moves; whether there are restrictions and rules in place regarding what the owners can do; whether there is a resolution process in the case of a dispute; whether there is an age requirement to be a co-owner; the importance of the location and outdoor space of a shared home; and whether there is an annual budget.

Discussion ensued with regards to the importance of having a reserve fund for possible maintenance issues and the importance of working with the University of Ontario Institute of Technology, Durham College and Trent University to further educate the building community.

#### B) <u>Scugog: Draft Housing Strategy</u>

Valerie Cranmer provided a PowerPoint Presentation with regards to the Scugog Housing Advisory Committee.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Housing for All Ages and Stages
- Basis
- What We've Heard so Far
- Vision
- Snapshot 2016
- Housing Options
- Affordable Rental Housing
- Barriers
- Action Plans
- Next Steps

V. Cranmer stated that the Scugog Housing Advisory Committee has proposed a housing plan to address all stages of housing for the Township of Scugog. She stated that the plan stems from the following concerns: too few rentals; unaffordable housing; lack of rentals, condominiums, or bungalow homes for seniors to purchase when downsizing; and few options for rural dwellers to move away from farms.

V. Cranmer stated that the ideal future of housing would include: a full range and integration of housing types and ownerships; community as a willing host to affordable housing options; designs to accommodate people of all abilities; township incentives for affordable housing; and partnerships to achieve a complete community that meets the needs of all residents.

V. Cranmer stated that housing options should include: smaller houses; townhouses, semis and links; as well as innovative ownership such as shared homes, garden suites, habitat for humanity, condominiums and life leases. Affordable rentals should include: secondary dwelling units in existing houses as well as new construction and accessory buildings. She stated that market forces and township policies are current barriers and would like to see changes to the Development Charges By-law to encourage secondary units.

V. Cranmer also stated that there are a number of action plans for Scugog within the housing plan and provided an overview of them. She advised that the Committee will continue to advocate for affordable housing and rental options in their community.

Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force Committee - Minutes Wednesday, April 19, 2017

Discussion ensued with regards to the action plans proposed for the Township of Scugog; the benefits of a reserve fund; and the benefits of having a region wide development charges by-law that would incorporate social housing.

The Committee recessed at 10:46 AM and resumed at 10:59 AM.

#### Moved by Councillor Carter, Seconded by Councillor Ballinger, That Items 5.D) and 5.F) be deferred to the May 17, 2017 Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force Committee meeting. CARRIED

C) The Current State of Housing Affordability in Durham Region – A Synopsis of the Issues

J. Connolly provided a PowerPoint Presentation with regards to: The Current State of Housing Affordability in Durham Region – A Synopsis of the Issues and The Supply Side of the Affordable Housing Equation in Durham Region.

J. Connolly stated that the presentation discusses the existing situation with regards to the Durham Region/Area Municipal Housing Tenure Split; the Affordable Rental Housing Supply Picture; and The Seniors' Housing Supply Picture.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Recap The Demand Side
  - o 16 Key Messages
  - o Introductory Comments
- The Existing Situation
  - The Issue Statement
  - o Households in Durham
  - Demographic growth drives demand
  - New Residential Units
  - o Durham Housing Starts
  - Increasing Ownership Costs
  - o Limited Rental Affordability
  - o Vacancy Rates
- The Existing Situation The Affordable Rental Housing Supply Picture
  - Limited Rental Housing Supply
  - Purpose-Built Rental Housing Supply
  - o Rental Unit Types
  - o Affordable Rental Units
  - o DASH Wait List by Current Address
  - DASH Wait List by Durham Address
  - DASH Wait List and Rental Supply

Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force Committee - Minutes Wednesday, April 19, 2017

- o Durham Housing Completions
- o Durham Rental Housing Completions
- Social and Affordable Housing Supply (Durham)
- Social Housing Programs Administered by the Region of Durham
- o End of Operating Agreements/Mortgages
- Key Issues Relating to Affordability
- Durham Rents: Affordability
- Affordability: Other Concerns

Staff responded to questions with regards to: numbers on the DASH wait list and whether priority is given to Durham residents; and clarification with respect to End of Operating Agreements (EOA) and End of Mortgages (EOM).

Staff was asked to provide details regarding the number of Durham residents currently on Toronto's waiting list as well as up to date statistics with regards to the Households in Durham.

D) The Current State of Seniors' Housing in Durham Region – A Synopsis of the Issues

This Presentation was deferred to the May 17, 2017 meeting.

E) The Supply Side of the Affordable Housing Equation in Durham Region

J. Connolly provided this presentation in conjunction with Item 5.C) [Refer to pages 5 and 6 of these minutes].

F) <u>The Supply of the Seniors' Housing Equation in Durham Region</u>

This Presentation was deferred to the May 17, 2017 meeting.

- 6. Discussion Items
- A) Facilitated Dialogue

K. Wianecki, Director of Practice at Planning Solutions Inc., asked the following questions of the Committee:

- What makes sense for Durham Region?
- Where could/should the Region be focusing its efforts?
- What is your one big idea to increase the supply and availability of affordable housing and seniors housing in Durham Region?

The Committee provided the following feedback:

- Important to take advantage of re-development opportunities with the private sector;
- Look at a Region wide development charges by-law allocated for social housing;
- Provide land at reasonable costs to developers to incent them to build affordable housing;
- Look at properties owned by municipalities that can be built on;
- Explore opportunities to build healthy, vibrant communities;
- Have conversations with the experts;
- Use the Regent Park community as an example;
- Partner with the Province to have unused schools turned over to affordable housing developments;
- Look at options to incent condominium and rental development;
- Encourage more rentals and shared ownerships; and
- Re-purpose closed schools and the land they are built on.

K. Wianecki provided the following summary of the discussions and presentations to the Committee:

- Important to consider shared living options;
- Look at opportunities associated with market and outreach, addressing regulatory impediments; and educating and training municipal staff;
- Work with development industry to identify opportunities to design and redesign the internal configuration of the existing housing stock;
- Promote collaboration to identify and share exemplary practices of shared living;
- Recognize transportation issues and infrastructure;
- Recognize that affordable housing is housing that is affordable;
- Identify opportunities to explore a region-wide development charges approach;
- Recognize that affordability and access of rental housing is difficult;
- Recognize that the unaffordability gap is widening;
- Insufficient supply of social housing stock and rent-geared-to-income units in all municipalities;
- Explore partnership opportunities;
- Consider region wide strategies;
- Explore other opportunities for incentives;
- Lead by example;
- Recognize opportunities to build vibrant sustainable communities; and
- Understand the impediments to building affordable housing.

Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force Committee - Minutes Wednesday, April 19, 2017

#### 7. Information Items

#### A) <u>Statement of Purpose (Final)</u>

A copy of the Final Affordable Housing and Seniors' Housing Task Force Statement was provided as Attachment #2 to the Agenda.

B) <u>The Recommended Process (Final)</u>

A copy of the Final "Recommended Process" of the Affordable Rental Housing and Seniors' Housing Task Force was provided as Attachment #3 to the Agenda.

#### C) <u>Work Plan (Final)</u>

A copy of the Final Proposed Work Plan of the Affordable Housing and Seniors' Housing Task Force was provided as Attachment #4 to the Agenda.

D) <u>Experts & Partners June Roundtable (Update)</u>

A copy of the Affordable and Seniors' Housing Task Force Thought Leaders and Partners Roundtable was provided as Attachment #5 to the Agenda.

Moved by Regional Chair Anderson, Seconded by Councillor Jordan, That Information Items 7 A), B), C) and D) be received for information.

#### CARRIED

#### 8. Follow-up Items

There were no Follow-up Items to consider.

#### 9. Other Business

There was no other business.

#### 10. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday, May 17, 2017 at 9 AM.

#### 11. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Drew, Seconded by Councillor Jordan, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED The meeting adjourned at 12:25 PM

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

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk

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

# The Regional Municipality of Durham

# MINUTES

# ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# Tuesday, April 25, 2017

A meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 in Meeting Room 1-A, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 1:00 PM.

| Present: | M. Sutherland, Oshawa, Chair<br>S. Sones, Whitby, Vice-Chair |
|----------|--|
|          |  |
|          | R. Atkinson, Whitby, left the meeting at 2:56 PM             |
|          | M. Bell, DMHS  |
|          | D. McAllister, Executive Director, DREN                      |
|          | M. Roche, Oshawa   |
|          | P. Rundle, Clarington  |
|          | J. Stevenson, Ajax, left the meeting at 2:46 PM              |
| Absent:  | S. Barrie, Clarington  |
|          | Councillor J. Drumm  |
|          | A O'Burgaswin Clarington                                     |

A. O'Bumsawin, Clarington

#### Staff

Present: J. Traer, Accessibility Coordinator, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer N. Prasad, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

#### 1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by P. Rundle, Seconded by R. Atkinson, That the agenda for the April 25, 2017 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting, be approved. CARRIED

#### 3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by R. Atkinson, Seconded by J. Stevenson, That the minutes of the March 28, 2017 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting be adopted. CARRIED

#### 4. Presentation

 A) Paula Patterson, Vocational Counsellor, Making Employment Transition Attainable (META) Vocational Services regarding services provided to persons with disabilities in employment

P. Patterson, Vocational Counsellor, META Vocational Services Inc., provided a PowerPoint Presentation with regards to the organizations services.

P. Patterson stated that META is a Canadian charitable organization that provides a range of free personalized career and employment planning services and programs. She provided a review of the Growth Opportunities (GO) Program and the Employment Supports Program through the Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP).

P. Patterson stated that the GO program was designed to assist persons with disabilities or barriers to employment to enter or re-enter the workforce and is funded by Employment Ontario. She advised that the GO Program services include: needs assessment; career counselling and employment planning; development of return to work action plan; career transitions workshop; resume and cover letter development workshops; job search and interview workshops; second career applications; and job development.

With respect to the ODSP Employment Supports Program, P. Patterson stated that META provides opportunities for exploration and growth through real work experiences, counselling and guidance. She stated that the ODSP Employment Supports Program provides a team of vocational counsellors, job developers and employment specialists who are available to offer a full range of return to work services. Participants for both programs must: live in Durham Region; have a physical, mental health, emotional or learning disability that results in a barrier to employment; be unemployed or underemployed; and be ready, willing and available to work.

P. Patterson responded to questions with regards to the level of commitment of employers that participate in the programs; whether the programs apply to self-employment; whether self-identified disabilities will suffice for the GO program; whether there are services available for older people in obtaining employment; whether there is a waiting list; and how META advertises their services.

The Committee recessed at 1:45 PM and resumed at 1:54 PM.

# 5. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

# 6. Correspondence

There were no items of correspondence.

#### 7. Reports

# A) Education Sub-committee Update

The following updates were provided:

- J. Traer is working on having a representative provide a presentation at a future meeting with regards to the province's Direct Funding Program.
- J. Traer is working on having a representative from The Ontario Lung Association provide a presentation at a future meeting with regards to the Respiratory Support Program.
- Regional staff will provide a presentation regarding the Age Friendly Strategy at the May meeting.

# B) Update on the Transit Advisory Committee (TAC)

M. Sutherland stated that questions from the Committee have been provided to the Transit Advisory Committee (TAC) and will be addressed at the TAC Meeting scheduled for April 25, 2017.

Discussion ensued with regards to the billboards used at the Public Information Session held by Transit at the Oshawa Centre, copies of which were provided to Committee members. With the regards to the billboards, the following comments were made: the billboards were not visually or physically accessible; and it is difficult for people with physical disabilities to place post it notes on billboards placed on easels as there is no stability. The Committee requested that J. Traer inquire whether there is a standard for signage under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA).

# C) Update from the Accessibility Coordinator

• J. Traer advised that National Volunteer Week is April 23 to 29. She stated that it is important to recognize the efforts of volunteers and provided each committee member with a card of thanks.

- Open Web Day was held on April 11, 2017. J. Traer stated that it was hosted by the Region of Durham and eSolutions and was open to staff, public and lower tier municipal partners. J. Traer advised that it was interesting to hear how the Region's website is accessed and thanked J. Stevenson for presenting.
- The new Regional website is scheduled to go live in late Fall of 2017. J. Traer stated that the last workshop discussed the design of the home page.
- National Accessibility Awareness Week is scheduled for May 29 to June 2, 2017. J. Traer advised that there will be Lunch and Learn seminars available for regional staff to attend.
- The Annual Joint Forum of the Accessibility Advisory Committees is scheduled for September 26, 2017. J. Traer advised that she is looking at options to encourage more interaction at the tables.
- J. Traer advised that on March 31, 2017 there was an announcement that ten infrastructure projects in Durham Region will be getting a \$17.5 million grant from the federal government to assist Durham Region Transit in several projects.

#### 8. Administration Matters

There were no administrative matters to be considered.

#### 9. Other Business

#### A) <u>Community Roadmap to Employment</u>

D. McAllister stated that over 100 community members from Durham Region's employment service providers attended a one day summit on November 25, 2016 to create a Community Roadmap to Employment for Youth with Barriers to Employment. She advised that the summit was a huge success. She advised that the following 6 priorities were identified to move forward: employer development; engaging schools; fear factor; barrier-free hiring processes; role of local government; and networking.

# 10. Date of Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 in Room 1-A, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, at 1:00 PM. Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes April 25, 2017

# 11. Adjournment

Moved by M. Roche, Seconded by S. Sones, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 3:02 PM

M. Sutherland, Chair Accessibility Advisory Committee

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk

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

# The Regional Municipality of Durham

#### MINUTES

#### DURHAM AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# May 2, 2017

A regular meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 in Boardroom 1-B, Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 7:30 PM

# Present: Z. Cohoon, Federation of Agriculture, Chair

- F. Puterbough, Member at Large, Vice-Chair
- T. Watpool, Brock, Vice-Chair
- I. Bacon, Member at Large
- E. Bowman, Clarington
- J. Henderson, Oshawa
- B. Howsam, Member at Large
- K. Kemp, Scugog
- K. Kennedy, Member at Large
- G. O'Connor, Regional Councillor
- H. Schillings, Whitby
- B. Smith, Uxbridge
- G. Taylor, Pickering
- B. Winter, Ajax

# Absent: D. Bath, Member at Large

D. Risebrough, Member at Large

#### Staff

Present: K. Allore, Project Planner, Department of Planning and Economic Development N. Prasad, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

# 1. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by B. Winter, Seconded by E. Bowman, That the minutes of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting held on April 4, 2017 be adopted. CARRIED

#### 2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 3. Presentation

A) Andrew Jamieson, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs (OMAFRA), regarding Normal Farm Practices Protection Board

A. Jamieson provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding The Farming & Food Production Protection Act (FFPPA).

A. Jamieson stated that The Farming & Food Production Protection Act (FFPPA) was established to promote and protect agricultural uses and normal farm practices in agricultural areas, in a way that balances the needs of the agricultural community with provincial health, safety and environmental concerns. He stated that applications can be made under Section 5 of the FFPPA when an individual is directly affected by a disturbance from an agricultural operation for determination as to whether the disturbance results from normal farm practice. Applications under Section 6 of the FFPPA can be made by farmers directly affected by a municipal by-law that may restrict a normal farm practice in connection with an agricultural operation, and persons wanting to engage in normal farm practice as part of an agricultural operation on land in the municipality. Disturbances are defined as odour, noise, dust, light, smoke, flies and vibration. A. Jamieson also stated that the FFPPA does not give farmers the right to contravene the Environmental Protection Act, the Pesticides Act, the Health Protection and Promotion Act, or the Ontario Water Resources Act.

J. Jamieson also provided an overview of the Normal Farm Practices Protection Board (NFPPB). He stated that every Board decision is sitespecific and in arriving at a decision, considers several factors to balance the farmer's needs with provincial health, safety and environmental concerns. He further reviewed the Ontario Court System and provided various examples of matters that have been, or are in the process of being heard.

J. Jamieson also stated that before the NFPPB can consider an application for a hearing, the case must first go through the Farm Practices Conflict Resolution Process. He advised that OMAFRA receives an average of 160 complaints per year regarding farm practices, 98% of which are resolved through conflict resolution by OMAFRA's agricultural engineers or environmental specialists.

J. Jamieson responded to questions of the Committee.

#### 4. Discussion Items

A) Regional Official Plan Amendment 2017-001

A copy of the Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Lakewinds Farm Limited to permit the severance of a surplus farm dwelling resulting from the acquisition of a non-abutting farm consolidation in the Township of Brock, File: OPA 2017-001 was provided as Attachment #2 to the Agenda.

Moved by H. Schillings, Seconded by B. Winter,

That the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee supports the Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Lakewinds Farm Limited to permit the severance of a surplus farm dwelling resulting from the acquisition of a non-abutting farm consolidation in the Township of Brock, File: OPA 2017-001. CARRIED

B) Joint Workshop with DEAC

K. Allore advised that the sub-committee to discuss the joint workshop with DEAC is aiming to meet before the next DAAC meeting.

#### C) <u>2017 DAAC Farm Tour Update</u>

Discussion ensued with regards to:

- Details regarding the catering needs to be confirmed;
- Mr. Robert Van Camp from Brooks Feeds will be presenting with regards to equestrian nutrition; and
- Buses to be used as people movers have been booked.

#### D) Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update

N. Rutherford, Manager, Agriculture and Rural Affairs, Department of Planning and Economic Development, was unable to attend the meeting. K. Allore provided the following update on her behalf:

- With regards to the 2013-2018 Agriculture Strategy Update, several agricultural stakeholder representatives attended a facilitated session on April 26, 2017 to provide their comments and input.
- With regards to the Local Food Business Retention and Expansion project, staff is waiting for the result of the Rural Economic Development funding application to assist with the implementation of the program.
- N. Rutherford toured the Del Monte facility in Oshawa on April 25, 2017. They have expressed an interest in procuring local vegetables and fruit.

- The Region will host the Spring Farmer's Market at Regional Headquarters on June 7, 2017. If committee members would like to extend invites to produce businesses, they are requested to contact N. Rutherford.
- The Committee was asked whether they had any thoughts or ideas for nominations with regards to the 2017 Premier's Award for Agri-Food Innovation Excellence Program. No suggestions were made.

#### 5. Other Business

#### A) <u>Correspondence from the City of Kawartha Lakes re: Certified Crop Advisors</u>

A copy of correspondence dated April 10, 2017 from the City of Kawartha Lakes regarding certified crop advisors was provided as Attachment 3 to the Agenda.

Moved by F. Puterbough, Seconded by T. Watpool,

That the correspondence from the City of Kawartha Lakes dated April 10, 2017 regarding certified crop advisors be received for information.

CARRIED

#### 6. Date of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 starting at 7:30 PM in Boardroom 1-B, Level 1, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

#### 7. Adjournment

Moved by B. Winter, Seconded by B. Smith, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM

Z. Cohoon, Chair, Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee

N. Prasad, Committee Clerk

# Action Items Committee of the Whole and Regional Council

| Meeting Date                                | Request   | Assigned<br>Department(s)                    | Anticipated<br>Response Date |
|---|---|--|------------------------------|
| September 7, 2016<br>Committee of the Whole | Staff was requested to provide information on the possibility of an educational campaign designed to encourage people to sign up for subsidized housing at the next Committee of the Whole meeting. (Region of Durham's Program Delivery and Fiscal Plan for the 2016 Social Infrastructure Fund Program) (2016-COW-19) | Social Services<br>/ Economic<br>Development | October 5, 2016              |
| September 7, 2016<br>Committee of the Whole | Section 7 of Attachment #1 to Report #2016-COW-31, Draft<br>Procedural By-law, as it relates to Appointment of Committees<br>was referred back to staff to review the appointment process.  | Legislative<br>Services                      | First Quarter 2017           |
| October 5, 2016<br>Committee of the Whole   | That Correspondence (CC 65) from the Municipality of Clarington regarding the Durham York Energy Centre Stack Test Results be referred to staff for a report to Committee of the Whole  | Works  |                              |
| December 7, 2016<br>Committee of the Whole  | Staff advised that an update on a policy regarding Public Art would be available by the Spring 2017.  | Works  | Spring 2017                  |
| January 11, 2017<br>Committee of the Whole  | Inquiry regarding when the road rationalization plan would be considered by Council. Staff advised a report would be brought forward in June.   | Works  | June 2017                    |

| Meeting Date                            | Request   | Assigned<br>Department(s)                 | Anticipated<br>Response Date |
|---|---|---|------------------------------|
| March 1, 2017<br>Committee of the Whole | Staff was directed to invite the staff of Durham Region and<br>Covanta to present on the Durham York Energy Facility at a<br>future meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Clarington.   | Works                                     |                              |
| March 1, 2017<br>Committee of the Whole | Staff was requested to advise Council on the number of Access<br>Pass riders that use Specialized transit services.   | Finance/DRT                               | March 8, 2017                |
| March 1, 2017<br>Committee of the Whole | A request for a report/policy regarding sharing documents with Council members.   | Corporate<br>Services -<br>Administration | Prior to July 2017           |
| May 3, 2017<br>Committee of the Whole   | Discussion ensued with respect to whether data is collected on<br>how many beds are created through this funding; and, if staff<br>could conduct an analysis of the Denise House funding allocation<br>to determine whether an increase is warranted. H. Drouin advised<br>staff would investigate this and bring forward this information in a<br>future report. | Social Services                           |                              |
| May 3, 2017<br>Committee of the Whole   | Discussion ensued with respect to whether staff track the job loss<br>vacancies in Durham Region, in particular the retail market. K.<br>Weiss advised that staff will follow-up with the local area<br>municipalities and will report back on this matter.   | Economic<br>Development &<br>Tourism      |                              |