



The Regional Municipality of Durham

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report: #2022-INFO-31
Date: April 8, 2022

Subject:

2021 Census of Population – Population and Dwelling Counts Release, File: D01-03

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 This report presents an overview of Statistics Canada's first release of the 2021 Census of Population data, highlighting Durham Region's population and dwelling counts. Attachment 1 summarizes key statistics for Durham Region, the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA), and Canada.

2. 2021 Census of Population

2.1 On February 9, 2022, Statistics Canada released the first in a series of 2021 Census of Population statistics for municipalities across Canada, focusing on population and dwelling counts. The Census is conducted in Canada every five years.

2.2 The 2021 Census population reported by Statistics Canada for Durham Region is 696,992, an increase of 7.92% since 2016. However, this figure does not include an estimate of the Census net undercoverage, which accounts for factors such as missed enumeration and processing errors.

- 2.3 Based on previous years, it is estimated that the 2021 net undercoverage for Durham Durham will be approximately 3.75% which would result in a 2021 population for Durham of 723,129 persons. This figure is slightly higher than the population estimate of 713,680 reported by the Planning Division through its December 2021 report on Monitoring of Growth Trends, which presents population estimates based on housing completions and unit occupancy estimates.

3. Previous Reports and Decisions

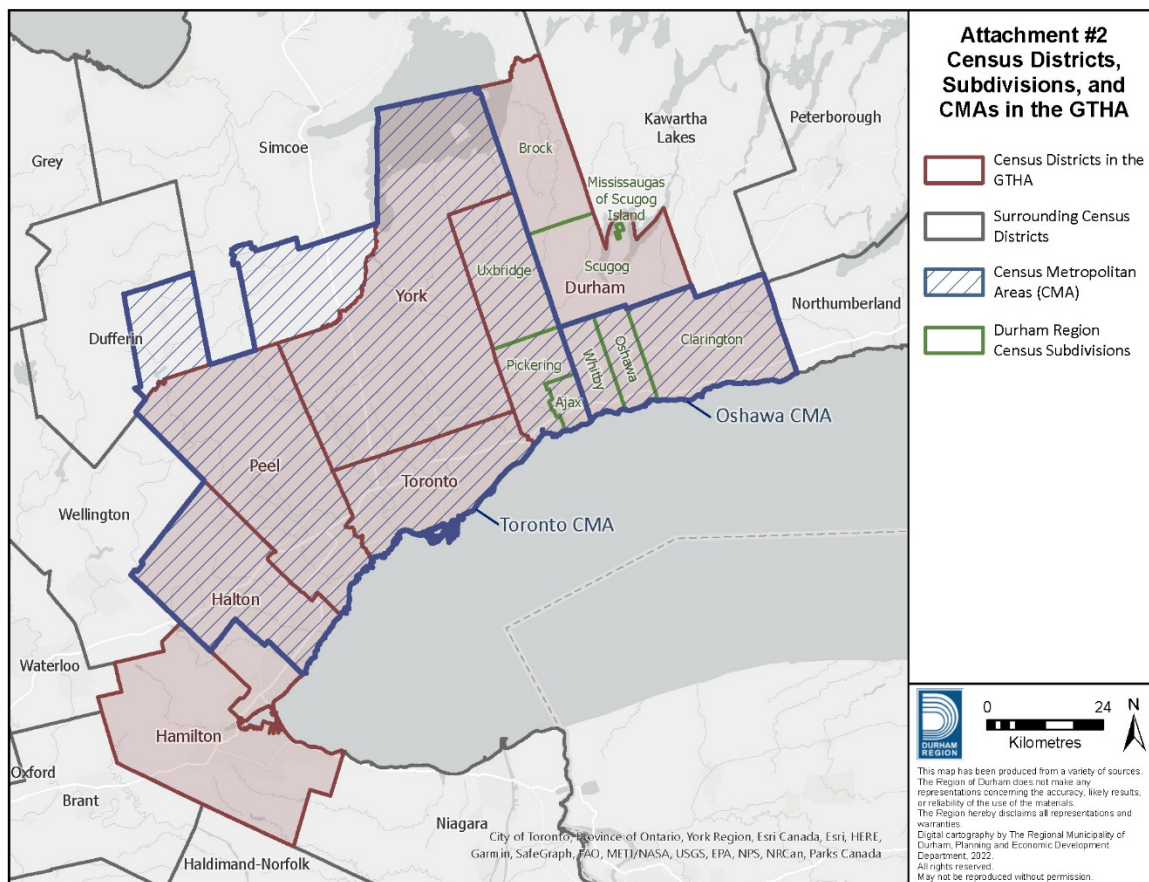
- 3.1 [2020-INFO-44](#) Durham Region Profile – Demographics and Socio-Economic Data
- 3.2 [2021-INFO-132](#) Monitoring of Growth Trends Report, December 2021

4. Federal and Provincial Growth Trends

- 4.1 Between 2016 and 2021, Canada's population increased 5.2%, from 35,151,728 to 36,991,981, compared with a 5.0% increase during the previous five-year period. This is the fourth consecutive Census period where Canada's population growth was the highest among the G7 countries¹. International immigration accounted for roughly four-fifths of Canada's population growth during this period.
- 4.2 Most provinces and territories experienced population growth between 2016 and 2021, with the exception of Newfoundland and Labrador, and the Northwest Territories. The Yukon Territories had the highest rate of growth, increasing 12.1% during this period, while Nunavut was the fastest-growing province in Canada in the previous 5-year period (+12.7%). Ontario's population increased 5.8%, compared to a 4.6% increase during the previous five-year period between 2011 and 2016.
- 4.3 For the purposes of data collection, Canada's largest urban agglomerations are divided into 43 census metropolitan areas (CMAs). In 2021, the CMAs accounted for 78% of Canada's population (28,769,426 persons), representing a 9.6% increase since 2016. This increase means that nearly 8 in 10 Canadians now live in or near urban areas. The three largest CMAs, (Toronto, Montreal, and Vancouver) collectively account for 35.5% of Canada's total population (see Attachment 1, Table 4).

¹ World Bank's DataBank, population estimates and projections, and Census of Population, 2016 and 2021 (3901). (<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/daily-quotidien/220209/cg-a001-eng.htm>)

- 4.4 The Toronto CMA alone accounted for 16.8% of Canada's population (6,202,225 persons). It is comprised of 24 census subdivisions (CSD)² including Pickering, Ajax, and Uxbridge. The population growth for the Pickering, Ajax, and Uxbridge CSDs between 2016 and 2021 was 4.6%, which indicates a slower growth rate than in the previous 5-year period between 2011 and 2016 (6.2%).
- 4.5 The Oshawa CMA, including Whitby, Oshawa, and Clarington, ranked eighth in Ontario and fifteenth nationally, based on total population size (415,311 persons). The Oshawa CMA population increased 9.3% between 2016 and 2021, representing a faster rate of growth than the previous 5-year period (6.6%). The Townships of Brock and Scugog are not included within a designated CMA.

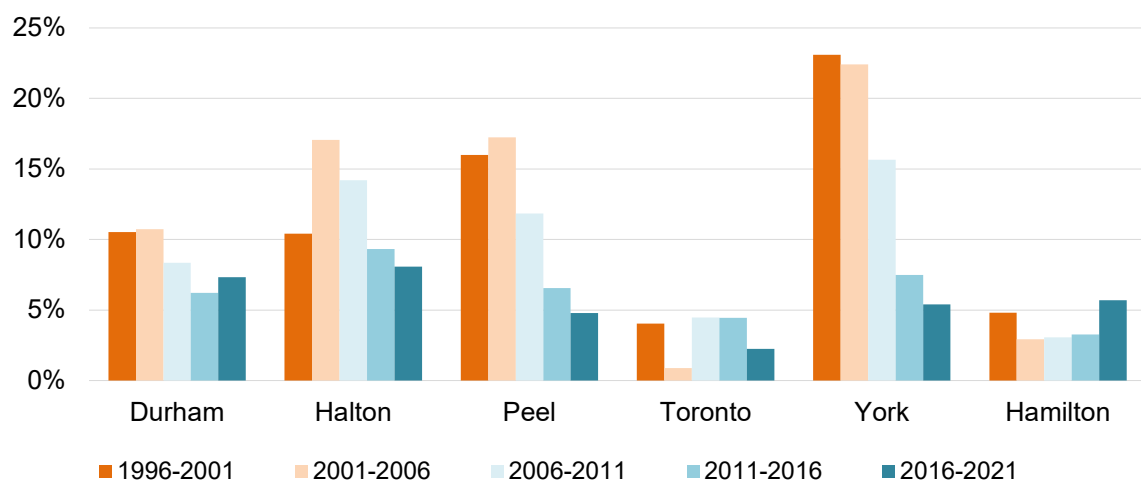


² Census subdivisions (CSD) is the general term for municipalities (as determined by provincial/territorial legislation) or areas treated as municipal equivalents for statistical purposes (e.g., First Nations reserves/settlements, and unorganized territories). Municipal status is defined by laws in effect in each province and territory in Canada (Statistics Canada Dictionary, Census of Population, 2021).

5. Durham and GTHA Growth Trends

- 5.1 The Durham Region Census Division (CD)³ ranks fifth in Ontario and tenth nationally in total population compared to other regions, counties, and large cities. Toronto ranks first both in Ontario and nationally. The rankings for both Durham and Toronto did not change from the 2016 Census (refer to Attachment 1, Table 5).
- 5.2 The Census population growth rate trends for the GTHA municipalities since 1996, are illustrated in Figure 1. Durham's population increased by 6.2% (37,738 persons) between 2011-2016 and 7.3% (51,130 persons) between 2016-2021. Durham's +7.3% increase over the past five years compares to increases of 2.2% in Toronto, 4.8% in Peel, 5.4% in York, 5.7% in Hamilton, and 8.1% in Halton (refer to Attachment 1, Table 3).

Figure 1 | Comparison of Population Growth Rates in the GTHA, 1996-2021



Share of Population Growth

- 5.3 Regional shares of GTHA growth is shown in Figures 2(a) and 2(b). Durham's share increased significantly from 9.9% in the 2011-2016 period to 15.6% during the 2016-2021 period. During this time, Peel had the greatest share of population growth (21.2%) followed by York (19.4%) and Toronto (19.2%).

³ Census divisions (CDs) are groups of neighbouring municipalities joined together for the purposes of regional planning and managing common services (such as police or ambulance services). These groupings are established under laws in effect in certain provinces of Canada. Census divisions are intermediate geographic areas between the province/territory level and the municipality (census subdivision).

Figure 2(a) | Share of Population Growth in the GTHA, 2011-2016

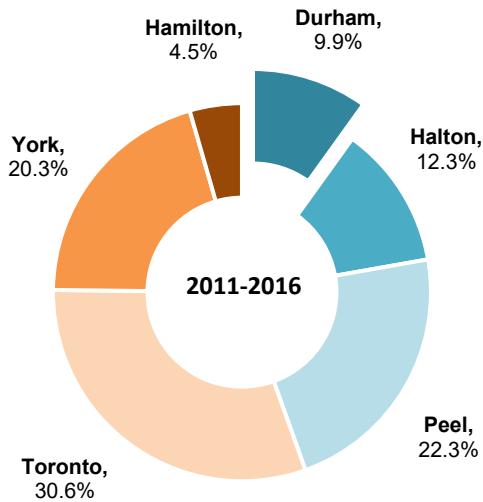
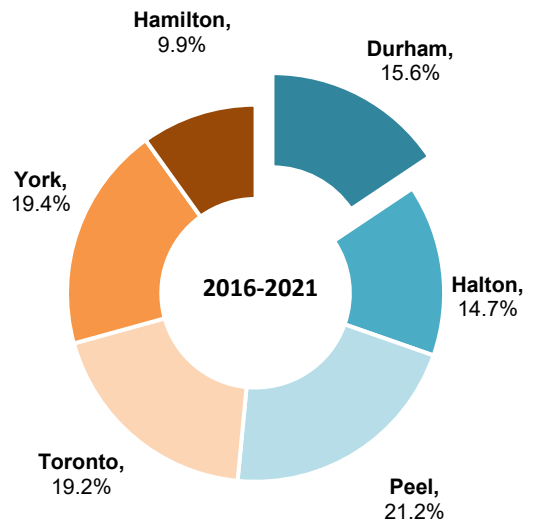


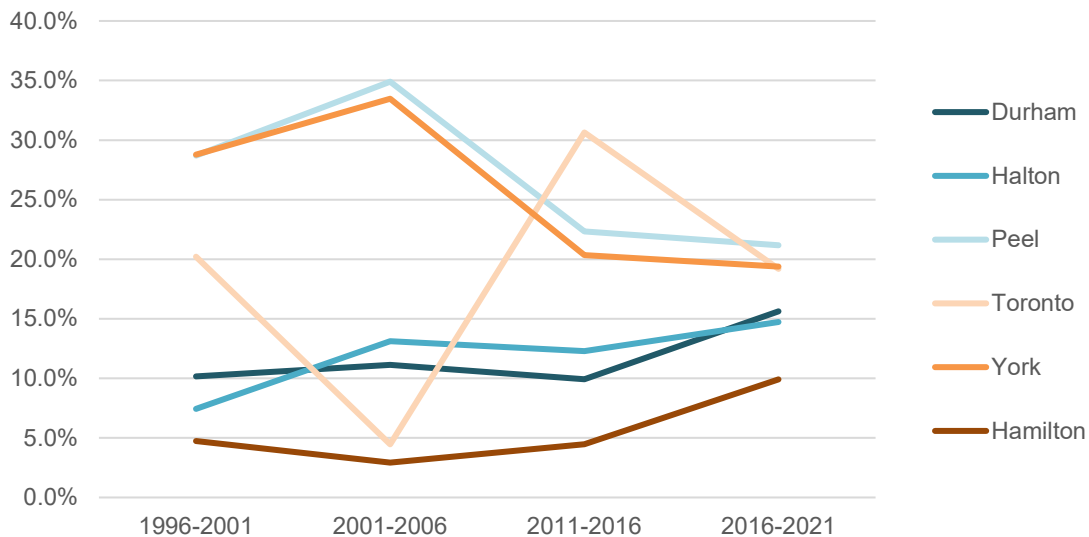
Figure 2(b) | Share of Population Growth in the GTHA, 2016-2021



Population Growth Rates

5.4 Durham, Halton, and Hamilton experienced an increase in their rate of population growth overall compared to the previous 5-year period, while Toronto, Peel, and York experienced a decrease (refer to Figure 3). Toronto, in particular, experienced a significant decline (-11.4%) in its growth rate from 30.6% in 2011-2016 to 19.2% in the 2016-2021 period.

Figure 3 | Population Growth Rates, 1996-2021



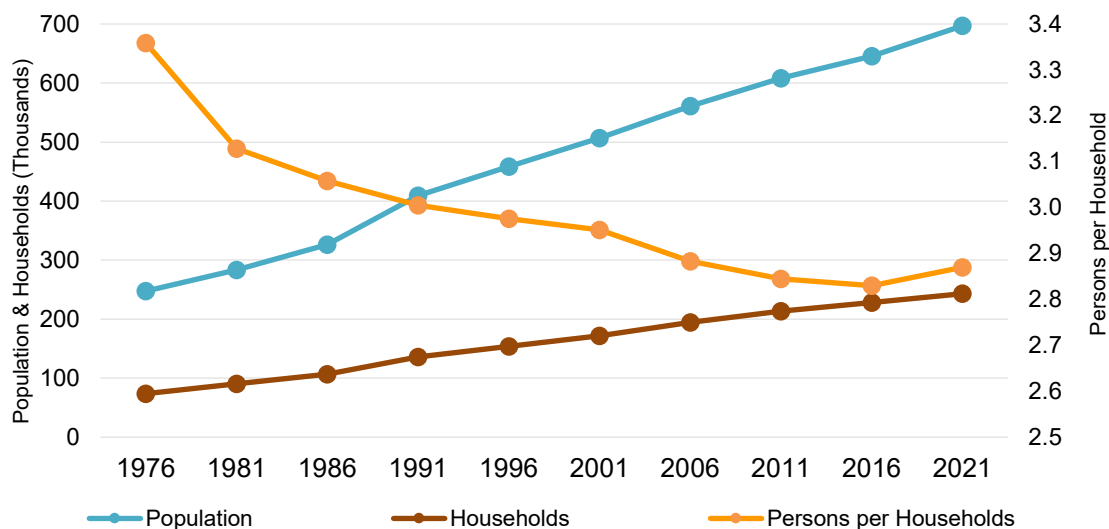
Household Growth

5.5 While the population in Durham increased by 7.9% from 2016 to 2021, the number of occupied private dwellings (i.e. “households”) only increased by 6.6%, from 227,906 in 2016 to 243,048 in 2021, indicating that, for the first time since 1976, the Region’s population has grown at a faster rate than the number of households. This is consistent with Durham’s significant increase in its share of the GTHA population between 2016 and 2021, as illustrated in Figures 2(a) and 2(b).

Persons per Household

5.6 In previous years, the national trend of persons per household declining over time generally meant that more housing units have sheltered the same number of people. The 2021 Census data suggests that the average number of persons per household has increased for the first time since 1976 from 2.83 persons in 2016 to 2.87 persons in 2021. Figure 4 illustrates this trend in Durham, and the shifts it has experienced in the 2016-2021 period.

Figure 4 | Population, Households, and Persons per Household in Durham, 1976-2021



Potential Impacts of COVID-19

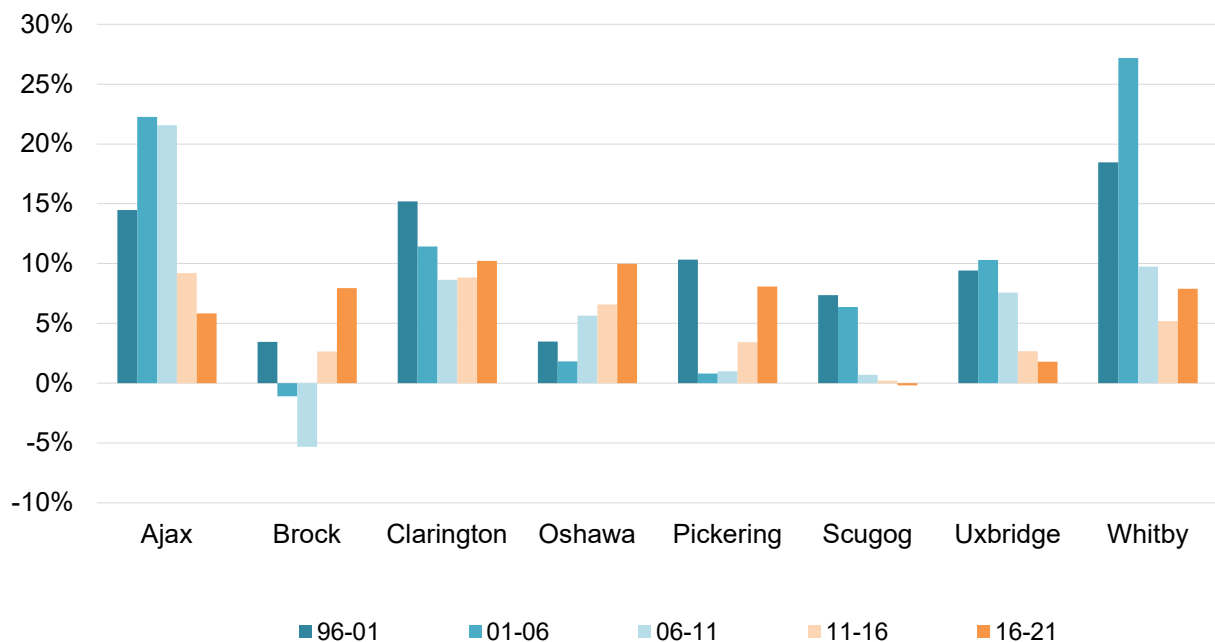
5.7 The COVID-19 pandemic has had significant impacts on population and demographic growth trends across the globe. The pandemic has also influenced growth patterns in the GTHA. For example, employers moving towards remote and virtual workspaces could potentially mean portions of the population are no longer required to live close to their place of work, and have moved outside of highly urbanized areas to places where housing could be more affordable. These trends

are observed in the GTHA, and demonstrated by the decline in growth rates in Toronto, York, and Peel, and subsequent increases in Durham, Halton, and Hamilton, as illustrated in Figure 3. While local factors, such as a lack of vacant and/or developable land, could have an impact on declining growth rates, it is possible that the pandemic played a key role. Another potential trend includes adult children staying at home longer, or moving back into their family homes due to remote work or school, resulting in a higher number of persons per household on average, as illustrated in Figure 4. Future data releases of the 2021 Census and beyond will provide further insight into these shifts, the longevity of their impacts, and whether they represent long-term trends.

6. Area Municipal Growth Trends

6.1 The population growth trends for Durham’s area municipalities between 1996 and 2021 are illustrated in Figure 5. All area municipalities in Durham experienced population growth between 2016-2021, except Scugog, which experienced a 0.2% decline in its population. Clarington experienced the highest rate of growth (10.2%), followed by Oshawa (10%), and Pickering (8.1%).

Figure 5 | Periods of population growth in Durham by Area Municipality, 1996-2021

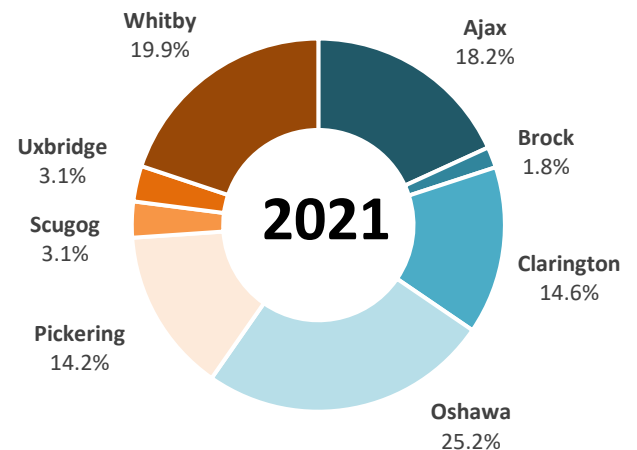


6.2 The rate of population growth varies with each Census period, with some municipalities growing more rapidly than others. The growth rate in Brock increased significantly by 13.2% over a 10-year period between 2011 and 2021, from -5.3% in

2011 to +7.9% in 2021. Other municipalities have also experienced an increased rate of growth in the last 10-year period, including Pickering (+7.1%), Oshawa (+4.3%), and Clarington (+1.6%).

6.3 Figure 6 illustrates the share of population distribution among Durham's area municipalities in 2021. Oshawa continues to maintain the dominant share of Durham's population with 25.2%, an increase from 24.7% in 2016. Clarington (14.6%) and Pickering (14.2%) also experienced an increase in population share, while Brock and Whitby maintained their share. All other municipalities decreased their share of Durham's population distribution since 2016.

Figure 6 | Population distribution by area municipality, 2021



- 6.4 As previously noted, total households in Durham increased 6.6% (15,142 households) between 2016 and 2021. Clarington experienced the largest increase in household growth with 9.5% (3,115 households), followed by Pickering (8.1%), Whitby (6.7%), and Oshawa (6.5%).
- 6.5 Oshawa maintained the largest share of household distribution among Durham's area municipalities with 27.4% in 2021, followed by Whitby (19.1%), Ajax (16.3%) and Clarington (14.8%). Clarington, Pickering, and Whitby increased their share of households; while all other municipalities decreased their share (refer to Attachment 1, Table 2).
- 6.6 The 2021 Census count of Durham's households (243,048) is slightly below the 244,385 households estimated by the Planning and Economic Development Department in its December 2021 Monitoring of Growth Trends report (Commissioner's Report 2021-INFO-132). Minor differences between the Census and the Monitoring of Growth Trends reporting may occur because of differences between the completion and occupancy of a dwelling, demolitions of existing dwellings, and the timing of the Census enumeration day.

7. Relationship to Strategic Plan

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

- a. Goal 5.3 – Demonstrate commitment to continuous quality improvement and communicating results.

8. Conclusion

- 8.1 The Census is an essential source of data on the demographic characteristics over time. Statistics Canada expects to release the following additional data this year:
- April 27 – Age, sex, and type of dwelling;
 - May 11 – Census of Agriculture
 - July 13 – Families, households, and marital status; Canadian military experience; and income;
 - August 17 – Language
 - September 21 – Indigenous peoples and housing;
 - October 26 – Immigration, place of birth, and citizenship; ethnocultural and religious diversity, and mobility and migration;
 - November 30 – Education, labour, language of work, commuting, instruction in the official minority language.
- 8.2 The 2021 Census information will be used as input to various Regional projects, including the update to the Regional Official Plan through the Municipal Comprehensive Review (Envision Durham), infrastructure master planning, annual infrastructure capital budgets and forecasts, the annual Business Plan and Budgeting process, Development Charges Studies, and the Durham Region Profile.
- 8.3 The Planning and Economic Development Department will update the Durham Region Profile once all the 2021 Census data is released. The Profile provides important statistical data about Durham’s population, households, families, and other demographic factors. To help communicate the 2016 Durham Profile, the Department introduced an interactive [data dashboard](#) and plan to use a similar dashboard for 2021 Census data.
- 8.4 The under-enumerated population (net undercoverage) is taken into account when completing planning-related studies and analyses. As previously noted, the 2021 net undercoverage for Durham is estimated to be approximately 3.75%. Statistics Canada has confirmed that final adjustments for net under-enumeration is scheduled to be released in 2023.
- 8.5 A copy of this report will be forwarded to the area municipalities and be made available on the Region’s website.

9. Attachments

Attachment #1: Statistics Canada Census of Population, First Release

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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

Attachment 1

Statistics Canada Census of Population, First Release (Population and Dwellings)

Table 1
Population change in Durham municipalities

Municipality	2016 #	2016 %	2021 #	2021 %	% change
Ajax	119,677	18.5%	126,666	18.2%	5.8%
Brock	11,642	1.8%	12,567	1.8%	7.9%
Clarington	92,013	14.2%	101,427	14.6%	10.2%
Oshawa	159,458	24.7%	175,383	25.2%	10.0%
Pickering	91,771	14.2%	99,186	14.2%	8.1%
Scugog	21,748	3.4%	21,706	3.1%	-0.2%
Uxbridge	21,176	3.3%	21,556	3.1%	1.8%
Whitby	128,377	19.9%	138,501	19.9%	7.9%
Durham	645,862	100.0%	696,992	100.0%	7.9%

Note: The population of Scugog includes the Township of Scugog (21,581 persons) and the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation (125 persons).

Table 2
Households in Durham municipalities

Municipality	2016 #	2016 %	2021 #	2021 %	% change
Ajax	37,549	16.5%	39,488	16.2%	5.2%
Brock	4,543	2.0%	4,788	2.0%	5.4%
Clarington	32,838	14.4%	35,953	14.8%	9.5%
Oshawa	62,595	27.5%	66,634	27.4%	6.5%
Pickering	30,919	13.6%	33,425	13.8%	8.1%
Scugog	8,270	3.6%	8,292	3.4%	0.3%
Uxbridge	7,663	3.4%	8,008	3.3%	4.5%
Whitby	43,529	19.1%	46,460	19.1%	6.7%
Durham	227,906	100.0%	243,048	100.0%	6.6%

Note: The number of households for Scugog includes the Township of Scugog (8,243 households) and the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation (49 households).

Table 3

Population change in Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) municipalities

Municipality	2016 #	2016 %	2021 #	2021 %	% change
Durham	645,862	9.3%	696,992	9.6%	7.9%
Halton	548,435	7.9%	596,637	8.2%	8.8%
Peel	1,381,739	19.9%	1,451,022	19.9%	5.0%
Toronto	2,731,571	39.3%	2,794,356	38.4%	2.3%
York	1,109,909	16.0%	1,173,334	16.1%	5.7%
Hamilton	536,917	7.7%	569,353	7.8%	6.0%
GTHA	6,954,433	100.0%	7,281,694	100.0%	4.7%

Table 4
Census Metropolitan Areas (CMA)

Rank	Census Metropolitan Area	2016 #	2021 #	% change
1	Toronto	5,928,040	6,202,225	4.6%
2	Montreal	4,104,074	4,291,732	4.6%
3	Vancouver	2,463,431	2,642,825	7.3%
4	Ottawa - Gatineau	1,371,576	1,488,307	8.5%
5	Calgary	1,392,609	1,481,806	6.4%
6	Edmonton	1,321,441	1,418,118	7.3%
7	Quebec	806,406	839,311	4.1%
8	Winnipeg	783,099	834,678	6.6%
9	Hamilton	747,545	785,184	5.0%
10	Kitchener - Cambridge - Waterloo	523,894	575,847	9.9%
11	London	494,069	543,551	10.0%
12	Halifax	426,932	465,703	9.1%
13	St. Catherines - Niagara	406,074	433,604	6.8%
14	Windsor	398,718	422,630	6.0%
15	Oshawa	379,848	415,311	9.3%

Table 5
Census Division (CD)

Rank	Census Division	2016 #	2021 #	% change
1	Toronto	2,731,571	2,794,356	2.3%
2	Greater Vancouver	2,463,431	2,642,825	7.3%
3	Montreal	1,942,044	2,004,265	3.2%
4	Division No. 6 (Alberta)	1,498,778	1,590,639	6.1%
5	Division No. 11 (Alberta)	1,366,050	1,462,041	7.0%
6	Peel	1,381,739	1,451,022	5.0%
7	York	1,109,909	1,173,334	5.7%
8	Ottawa	934,243	1,017,449	8.9%
9	Division No. 11 (Manitoba)	708,823	753,938	6.4%
10	Durham	645,862	696,992	7.9%
11	Halton	548,435	596,637	8.8%
12	Quebec	569,717	588,777	3.3%
13	Waterloo	535,154	587,165	9.7%
14	Hamilton	536,917	569,353	6.0%
15	Simcoe	479,635	533,169	11.2%



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April 4, 2022

To Regional Chair and Members of Regional Council

RE: Nuclear Public Alerting System Testing

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James Kilgour
Director

Durham Emergency Management is deferring its next test of the nuclear public alerting system to fall 2022. The test was originally scheduled for spring 2022.

Durham Emergency Management and Durham Regional Police will continue to conduct weekly silent tests of the nuclear public alerting sirens to ensure readiness of the system. In addition, during the first week of May, Durham Emergency Management will be conducting internal training and drills to test the alerting plans and procedures but will not initiate the public auto dialler and/or the siren systems.

If you hear from members of the community who have questions about the test, the Durham Emergency Management team would be happy to speak with them. Our team can be reached at 1-866-551-5373.

For more information about the [nuclear public alerting system](#), visit durham.ca/NuclearPreparedness.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

James Kilgour
Director, Emergency Management
cc: Elaine Baxter-Trahair, C.A.O.

Notice of Public Meeting

A land use change has been proposed, have your say!

The Municipality is seeking public comments before making a decision on an application for a proposed Plan of Subdivision and an application for a Zoning By-law Amendment.

Proposal

Headgate Developments Inc. has submitted applications for Draft Plan of Subdivision and Rezoning to permit a plan of subdivision with six single detached dwellings and a future townhouse block. The subdivision would extend Tabb Avenue to the east.

The Rezoning application would also rezone development blocks associated with a Draft Approved Plan of Subdivision (S-C-2009-0001). The blocks were not rezoned with the Subdivision application due to a former auto wrecking yard being adjacent at the time.

The applications are deemed complete.

Property

1824 Nash Road, north side of Nash Road, east of Harry Gay Drive in Courtice.



How to be Informed

For additional information on the proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision and zoning by-law amendment, and the background studies are available for review on our website at clarington.net/developmentproposals **Questions?** Please contact Brandon Weiler 905-623-3379, extension 2424, or by email at bweiler@clarington.net

How to Provide Comments

Our procedures have changed as we continue to adapt to the COVID-19 pandemic. As mandated by Public Health, to maintain physical distancing these meetings will take place electronically. This meeting is live-streamed for public viewing at www.clarington.net/calendar

Date: April 25, 2022
Time: 6:30 pm
Place: Electronic Teams meeting by way of on-line device or telephone

If you wish to speak at the public meeting, please pre-register and you will be provided with further instructions.

You can pre-register by completing the online form at www.clarington.net/delegations or contact the Clerk's Department at 905-623-3379 ext. 2109 or clerks@clarington.net by Friday, April 22, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.

If you are unable to participate electronically, please contact the Clerk's Department and we will do our utmost to accommodate you.

We encourage you to submit your written comments for Committee's consideration to Brandon Weiler at bweiler@clarington.net or by mail or drop box to 40 Temperance Street, Bowmanville, ON L1C 3A6 prior to the date of the public meeting.

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April 6, 2022

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Re: Provincial Funding to Municipalities to Widen Dead-End Roads in Durham Region for the Safe Operation of School Buses

This is to acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated February 3, 2022 as well as the City of Pickering's communication number 85/22 (attached) which were considered by Council of the Township of Brock at their meeting held on March 28, 2022.

Please be advised that the following resolution was adopted:

C-2022-062

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Communication Number 85/22 with respect to the City of Pickering's endorsement of the letter authored by the Durham Catholic District School Board and the Durham District School Board to the Honourable Caroline Mulroney requesting Provincial funding to municipalities to widen dead-end roads in Durham Region for the Safe Operation of School Buses, be endorsed, and

THAT copies be forwarded to the Honourable Caroline Mulroney and Laurie Scott, MPP Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock.

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

Yours truly,

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March 4, 2022

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Subject: Re: Provincial Funding to Municipalities to Widen Dead-End Roads in
Durham Region for the Safe Operation of School Buses
Corr. 13-22
File: A-1400-001-22

The Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering considered the above matter at a meeting held on February 28, 2022 and adopted the following resolution:

That Corr. 13-22, from Carolyn Morton, Chairperson, Durham District School Board and Morgan Ste. Marie, Chairperson, Durham Catholic District School Board, dated February 3, 2022, regarding Provincial Funding to Municipalities to Widen Dead-End Roads in Durham Region for the Safe Operation of School Buses, be received and endorsed.

A copy of the original correspondence is attached for your reference.

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

Yours truly



Susan Cassel
City Clerk

SC:am

Enclosure

Copy: The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
The Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation
The Hon. Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education
The Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
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Chief Administrative Officer

February 3, 2022

Honourable Caroline Mulroney
Minister of Transportation
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Re: Provincial funding to municipalities to widen dead-end roads in Durham Region for the safe operation of school buses

Dear Minister Mulroney,

We are writing to you on behalf of Durham Student Transportation Services (DSTS) as the Durham District School Board (DDSB) and Durham Catholic District School Board (DCDSB) representatives to request that provincial infrastructure funding be provided to municipalities to ensure they can appropriately construct areas for school bus vehicles to safely turn around on dead-end roads. Many dead-end roads, particularly in rural areas of the municipalities of Durham Region, do not currently have the appropriate conditions and turning radius for school bus vehicles to turn around safely.

As you are no doubt aware, student transportation is complex, requiring careful attention to safety considerations, routing, vehicle size and student needs. It has been suggested that spotters be available on bus routes to facilitate safe turnarounds of school bus vehicles on dead-end roads, and that buses should make three-point turns utilizing private driveways. The significant shortage of school bus drivers, the cost prohibitive nature of adding a second driver on each bus route, the liability of using private property, and the increased risk of potential accident when attempting to turn around on existing dead-end roads where there is no certainty that private driveways will be maintained to an appropriate standard, mean this solution is simply not feasible. Unfortunately, there have been times in the past when buses have been stuck in ditches and on shoulders. Alternatively, the use of smaller school bus vehicles on routes where dead-end roads are present has been considered, but in many cases, the roads are still not wide enough to facilitate safe turnaround and the driver shortage and cost increase of running additional buses on single routes confirm this solution is also not feasible.

In seeking ways to mitigate additional stress to school bus drivers who are already managing the significant responsibility of transporting students, we have worked with municipalities through their Public Works and Transportation departments to explore and determine feasibility of all available solutions. Unfortunately, municipalities have not been willing to make upgrades to their roadways and this issue has been a cause for many conflicts between DSTS and municipalities over the past few years.

We do understand that municipalities may not have sufficient funding from the property tax base to do this and are unlikely to increase taxes to fund such an endeavour. Ultimately, dead-end roads need to be widened to accommodate an appropriate turning radius for school buses. Alternatively, student transportation providers are left with no choice but to find safe places for school buses to stop to pick-up passengers. As municipalities are responsible for the provision and maintenance of roadways that are safe for bus and all other vehicle travel, funding to complete these projects is essential and that is why

we are reaching out directly to you to seek your support in providing funding for these types of turnarounds.

In addition to seeking infrastructure funding, we are also advocating for proactive change. Going forward all municipalities should be required to construct subdivisions and roads where the design of any dead-end roads includes a wide enough radius for school bus vehicles to safely turn around.

Thank you in advance for your time and attention to this matter. We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Morton
Chairperson
Durham District School Board

Morgan Ste. Marie
Chairperson
Durham Catholic District School Board

Cc:

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure

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Durham Regional Council

Municipal Councils, Cities of Pickering and Oshawa, Towns of Ajax and Whitby, Townships of Brock, Scugog and Uxbridge



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Resolution by Town of Georgina Council dated March 2, 2022

RESOLUTION NO. C-2022-0080

Moved By Councillor Neeson

Seconded By Councillor Fellini

WHEREAS Lake Simcoe is one of Ontario's largest watersheds, home to First Nations since time immemorial, and situated in the growing communities of Simcoe County, York Region, Durham Region, and the cities of Barrie and Orillia;

WHEREAS the watershed faces threats due to eutrophication, largely from phosphorus runoff and other contaminants into the lake and its tributaries;

WHEREAS the lake is a significant source of drinking water, as well as being integral for local recreation, tourism, agriculture and other key economic drivers;

WHEREAS the previous federal government funded a "Lake Simcoe Clean-Up Fund" of \$65 million over 10 years between 2007 - 2017, but that fund has not been renewed;

WHEREAS during the 2019 federal election, the Hon. Chrystia Freeland committed \$40 million over 5 years towards Lake Simcoe;

And WHEREAS during the 2021 federal election, the Liberal Party of Canada committed to "Implement a strengthened Freshwater Action Plan, including an historic investment of \$1 billion over 10 years. This plan will provide essential funding to protect and restore large lakes and river systems, starting with the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River System, Lake Simcoe...";

And WHEREAS the Conservative Party of Canada also committed to re-funding the Lake Simcoe Clean-Up Fund in the 2019 and 2021 general elections with an investment of \$30 million over five years;

And WHEREAS, further to the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change's mandate letter dated December 16th, 2021, which directs the Minister to "...establish a Canada Water Agency and implement a strengthened Freshwater Action Plan, including a historic investment to provide funding to protect and restore large lakes and river systems, starting with the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River System, Lake Simcoe..."

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Georgina:

1. Supports federal funding for a Lake Simcoe Restoration Fund that represents a significant percentage of the overall Freshwater Action Plan Fund, with funding in excess of previous commitments, beginning in the 2022 budget;

2. Asks that such funding be used to undertake:
 1. Shoreline mitigation and restoration, including in the tributaries of the Holland River, Maskinonge River, Black River, Pefferlaw River and the Holland Marsh;
 2. The assistance of the federal government to achieve up to or more than 40 percent high quality natural cover;
 3. Projects to ameliorate contaminated sites in the watershed;
 4. Upgrades to help retrofit municipal infrastructure such as wastewater and stormwater facilities to decrease total current discharges from existing facilities;
 5. Purchasing and conservation of more forests and wetlands under the auspices of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA); and
3. That a copy of this resolution, along with a letter from the Mayor, be sent to the federal Minister of Finance; the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change; the President of the Treasury Board; the Members of Parliament for York-Simcoe, Newmarket-Aurora, Barrie-Springwater-Oro-Medonte, Barrie-Innisfil, Simcoe North, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, and Durham; and to all Lake Simcoe-region municipalities and the LSRCA, with a request for their endorsement.

Carried Unanimously.



March 29, 2022

The Honourable Chrystia Freeland PC MP
Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance
Department of Finance Canada
House of Commons
Parliament Buildings
OTTAWA, Ontario K1A 0G5

Re: Lake Simcoe Restoration Fund

Honourable Deputy Prime Minister Freeland:

I am writing to you today to make a pre-budget submission in accordance with a motion presented by my colleague Councillor Dave Neeson and passed unanimously by members of the Town of Georgina Council asking that the federal government fulfil bipartisan commitments towards creating a Lake Simcoe Restoration Fund in the upcoming federal budget.

The motion is enclosed for your reference.

As you know, both local Liberal and Conservative MPs ran on the promise of restoring and exceeding funding that used to exist to help protect Lake Simcoe under the auspices of the Lake Simcoe Clean-up Fund. You yourself made such a commitment of a \$40-million fund during the 2019 election in Barrie. The commitment to a billion-dollar Freshwater Action Fund, which would include funding for Lake Simcoe, is in the Hon. Steven Guibeault's mandate letter as Minister of the Environment and Climate Change.

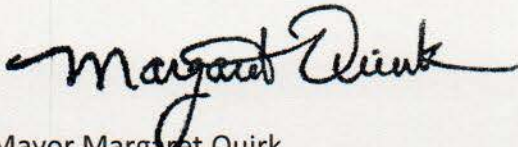
We ask that funding greater than previous commitments be invested to protect the Lake Simcoe watershed in this year's budget. Such funding should be over and above previous commitments given that funding for the Lake has been in hiatus since the previous fund expired in 2017, and due to inflationary pressures. As the motion outlines, such funding could be used for land conservation, shoreline restoration, cleaning up contaminated sites, reducing discharges from existing wastewater treatment plants, and other tangible means to restore the health of the watershed.

The Town of Georgina and other Lake Simcoe Region Municipalities, are growing and so we need to take environmental mitigation and restoration efforts seriously, alongside a federal partner.

I understand this motion has also passed in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, the Town of Innisfil, the Town of Newmarket and is being considered by several other municipalities across our region, demonstrating, I believe, the great unity in our area for federal action to protect Lake Simcoe.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Margaret Quirk". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mayor Margaret Quirk
Town of Georgina

cc:

Hon. Steven Guibeault, PC MP, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, House of Commons,
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Hon. Mona Fortier PC MP, Federal President of the Treasury Board

Tony Van Bynen, Newmarket-Aurora MP

Scot Davidson, York-Simcoe MP

Doug Shipley, Barrie-Springwater-Oro-Medonte MP

John Brassard, Barrie-Innisfil MP

Adam Chambers, Simcoe-North MP


Jamie Schmale, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP

Erin O'Toole, Durham MP

Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority c/o Robert Baldwin, CAO

Lake Simcoe-region Municipalities; Mayors and Councils



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Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
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April 1st 2022

Re: Funding Supports for Infrastructure Projects – Bridge / Culvert Replacements in Rural Municipalities

Please be advised that on March 30th 2022 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion supporting the Township of Clearview regarding their resolution for Funding Supports for Infrastructure Projects – Bridge / Culvert Replacements in Rural Municipalities (attached).

Motion 18

Moved by Gary Atkinson

Seconded by Mike Vasey

That Council support correspondence item 'n' from Township of Clearview regarding Funding Supports for Infrastructure Projects – Bridge / Culvert Replacements in Rural Municipalities.

Motion Carried.

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

Sincerely,

Denny Giles

Deputy Clerk

Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Cc: (all sent via e-mail)

Hon. Peter Bethenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance minister.fin@ontario.ca

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From: Municipal Finance Officers Association of Ontario <no-reply@mfoa.on.ca>

Sent: March 30, 2022 6:15 PM

To: Clerks <Clerks@durham.ca>

Subject: Province Tables Bill 109, More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022



Hello ,

Province Releases Bill 109, More Homes for
Everyone Act, 2022

**Minister Steve Clark has tabled Bill 109, *More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022*.
Subsequent consultations are now open.**

In response to the recent Housing Affordability Task Force Report and the Provincial-Municipal Housing Summit, Minister Steve Clark has tabled [Bill 109, *More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022*](#) (Bill 109). Bill 109 is part of a four-year plan to implement the recommendations from the Housing Affordability Task Force Report. The omnibus bill includes changes to the *Development Charges Act, 1997*, *Planning Act, 1990*, and more. Some highlights of the proposed changes include:

Changes to the Development Charges Act, 1997

- Increasing transparency by requiring Treasurer Statement's relating to development charge by-laws available to the public on municipal websites.

Changes to the Planning Act, 1990

- Municipalities that do not process site plan applications and official plan amendment applications within the legislated timelines will need to gradually refund the application fees: 50% of the fee if not processed within 60 days of receiving a completed application, 75% of the fee if not processed within 75 days of receiving a completed application, full refund of the fee if not processed within 120 days of receiving a completed application.
- Creation of a Community Infrastructure and Housing Accelerator, a new tool to help accelerate the municipal planning process. Municipalities would need to pass a council resolution and submit a formal request to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to utilize the tool.
- Require municipalities with a Community Benefits Charge by-law to publicly consult and undergo a by-law review every 5 years.
- For Transit-Oriented Community developments, alternative parkland dedication rates are amended to allow: for sites with 5 hectares or less, parkland dedication rate is capped at 10% of the land or its value; for sites with more than 5 hectares, parkland dedication rate is capped at 15% of the land or its value.
- For Transit-Oriented Community developments, the Minister of Infrastructure may identify encumbered land to be conveyed for parkland or other public recreational purposes.
- Empower the Minister of Infrastructure to make a regulation to authorize land owners and applicants the use of types of surety bonds and other prescribed instruments to secure agreements for local approval of land use planning matters.

The Province has also announced a number of consultations related to housing, available on the Environmental Registry of Ontario and Regulatory Registry.

- [Seeking Feedback on Housing Needs in Rural and Northern Municipalities](#) - this consultation is seeking feedback on ways to address the unique housing needs of rural and northern

municipalities in Ontario (comments close April 29, 2022).

- [Opportunities to increase missing middle housing and gentle density, including supports for multigenerational housing](#) - this consultation is focused on finding ways to support gentle density and increase Ontario's missing middle housing, including encouraging multigenerational housing solutions (comments close April 29, 2022).
- [Community Infrastructure and Housing Accelerator – Proposed Guideline](#) - the proposed guideline would set out matters such as where and how to apply the proposed Community Infrastructure and Housing Accelerator tool (comments close April 29, 2022).
- [Proposed Planning Act Changes \(the proposed More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022\)](#) - this consultation is related to Schedule 5 of Bill 109 (comments close April 29, 2022).
- [Proposed Development Charges Act changes \(the proposed More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022\)](#) - this consultation is related to Schedule 2 of Bill 109 (comments close April 29, 2022).
- [Proposed amendments to O. Reg. 82/98 under the Development Charges Act, 1997 in support of the proposed More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022](#) - this consultation relates to reporting requirements for municipalities that levy DCs (comments close April 6, 2022).
- [Proposed amendments to O. Reg. 509/20 under the Planning Act in support of the proposed More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022](#) - this consultation relates to reporting requirements for municipalities that have a CBC by-law or parkland dedication provision (comments close April 6, 2022).

MFOA Next Steps

MFOA staff are currently reviewing Bill 109 and subsequent consultations and will continue to monitor the situation and update its members. To hear initial thoughts from your peers, sign up for MFOA's April Discussion Forums by population size:

- [Population Size 100,000+ - April 1 at 10AM](#)
- [Population Size 10,000 - 100,000 - April 1 at 12PM](#)
- [Population Size Under 10,000 - April 1 at 2PM](#)

Join MFOA on April 13th from 12-1:30PM EST for **Affordable Housing and Housing Affordability**, a discussion forum on the municipal role in housing. Learn from our panel of experts and chat with your colleagues on this hot button issue. Registration is now open, [click here to learn more](#).

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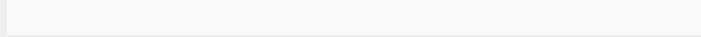
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