

# The Regional Municipality of Durham COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE January 13, 2023

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There are no Early Release Reports

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There are no Durham Municipalities Correspondence

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There are no Miscellaneous Correspondence

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# The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From:	Commissioner of Finance	
Report:	# <u>2023-INFO-01</u>	
Date:	January 13, 2023	

#### Subject:

The Consolidated Budget Status Report to September 30, 2022, and Full Year Forecast

#### **Recommendation:**

#### Receive for information

#### **Report:**

#### 1. Purpose

**1.1** The following summary on the status of the 2022 Consolidated Budget and Full Year Forecast for the General Tax Operations, Water Supply and Sanitary Sewer Systems is based upon information supplied by the Regional Departments, a review of the financial statements to September 30, 2022, and a forecast to the end of the year. Forecasting is challenging at the best of times, but we are in times of extreme uncertainty. It is important to note that there are many assumptions needed to produce the forecast.

#### 2. Significant Factors Impacting Regional Operations During 2022

- **2.1** As noted in the Economic Updates provide by the Finance Department, the economic environment has had impacts on the local economy. Regional programs have not been immune from the impacts of the inflationary environment and the availability of goods and services due to supply chain issues. Costs of these considerations have been incorporated into the full year forecast.
- 2.2 In addition, the tight labour market with record low unemployment rates have presented hiring challenges for many Regional Departments. Increased vacancy rates and lengthening time to recruit and select qualified staff has resulted in a significant increase in staff gapping, and surpluses in the personnel cost accounts. The budgets are based upon the approved complement in order to ensure a balanced approach.
- **2.3** The Long-Term Care and Services for Seniors division of the Social Services Department and the Health Department have continued to experience increased staffing costs due to COVID-19 response and vaccination efforts. The financial

forecasts for these departments anticipate full cost recovery from Provincial funding.

**2.4** The more recent introduction and passing of Bill 23 – More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, and any financial impacts of the new legislation have not been identified nor incorporated in the forecast at this time.

#### 3. Budget Status Summary – Regional Operations

**3.1** An overall surplus is forecast for Regional property tax supported operations for 2022, as indicated in the following table:

	<u>Surplus/(Deficit)</u>
	<u>\$</u>
Social Services	6,100,000
Health and Paramedic Services	750,000
Works – Tax Levy	(3,450,000)
Planning and Economic Development	850,000
Corporate Services	(1,100,000)
Office of the Chief Administrative Officer	400,000
Finance	1,500,000
Police Services	-
Durham Region Transit	-
Other Initiatives	( <u>3,750,000)</u>
Overall General Tax Surplus	<u>1,300,000</u>

#### 4. General Tax Operations

#### 4.1 Social Services Department

#### Long-Term Care and Services for Seniors

- The Long-Term Care and Services for Seniors Division advises that a surplus position of approximately \$1,400,000 is anticipated for the year, resulting from a number of contributing factors.
- The Province has implemented an Enhanced COVID-19 Action Plan for Long Term Care facilities which includes more testing, strengthened infection prevention control measures and training, a steady supply of personal protection equipment, and increased staffing levels. COVID-19 response related costs of approximately \$12.4 million are estimated for 2022 with provincial funding anticipated offset these extraordinary costs.

- However, staffing shortages, along with the inability to attract individuals to long-term care positions, are being experienced in all Homes, resulting in a favourable variance of approximately \$2,000,000 in personnel related costs. Despite this position, the Homes continue to adhere to the required service levels and COVID-19 protocols to ensure the safety of residents.
- Recruiting efforts across all four homes are anticipated to result in an estimated deficit of \$150,000 in the administrative area due to the use of professional services to assist in the attraction and hiring of staff. Use of new hiring practices, such as an employee referral bonus of \$500 for successful hire, are being utilized to attract new employees.
- The Temporary Retention Incentive for Nurses Program introduced by the province provides lump sum payments of up to \$5,000 for eligible full-time nurses and prorated payments of up to \$5,000 for eligible part-time and casual nursing staff in the Long-Term Care division. Approximately 300 Long Term Care nurses have been deemed eligible for this program, with the costs fully funded by the province.
- Expenses for education and training, agency personnel, building and equipment maintenance are anticipated to be \$850,000 over budget. The increase is due to training costs for staff, backfilling of staff vacancies with agency personnel and inflationary cost increases for operating materials and supplies, medical supplies, personal protective equipment, and infection control costs experienced in sourcing building materials and equipment parts.
- Food costs have been impacted by inflationary pressures; however, these cost increases have been offset by a reduction in the number of residents (in accordance with covid protocols), which has attributed to a net savings in food costs. Overall savings on food and other operational costs at all four homes are anticipated to produce a surplus of approximately \$450,000. Staff have reported issues in obtaining certain food items such as nutritional supplement beverages, and other food products such as peanut butter through supplier channels.
- Increased per diem subsidy funding announcements from the Province subsequent to the approval of the Regional Business Plans and Budgets is anticipated to provide an additional \$350,000 of revenue during the year.
- Revenue from preferred accommodation is anticipated to be under budget by approximately \$450,000 due to ongoing resident vacancies and a decrease in the number of beds for which the preferred rate is applied. Under the Provincial funding model, the Region retains the additional preferred revenue earned. Other miscellaneous revenues are expected to be under budget by \$100,000.
- The Adult Day program has experienced a decline in participants due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and has recently begun patient intake. Staff had been redeployed to other areas as part of the COVID-19 response. The planned

Region contribution will be below budget, resulting in a surplus of approximately \$150,000.

#### **Family Services Division**

• The Family Services Division is projecting a surplus estimate of \$200,000. Savings in staff costs due to vacancies and gapping are anticipated at approximately \$500,000. This is offset by a reduction of program revenue due to the continued impact of COVID-19 on counselling activities of \$300,000.

#### Income and Employment Support Division

- The Income and Employment Support Division is projecting a surplus of \$2,100,000 for the year.
- While the Income Support caseload decreased during the pandemic, the average monthly Ontario Works caseload is now trending higher by 7% over the prior year's average caseload. While the province funds most of the program costs, a portion of the discretionary program is funded from property taxes. At this time, based on the expenditures to date, a break-even position in the discretionary program is currently projected for the year. Caseloads and costs will continue to be monitored closely and may have a different outcome once actuals are realized.
- The Province recently finalized the 2022 service contract for the administration of Durham's Ontario Works program, with funding being in line with Regional budget expectations.
- However, as a result of staff vacancies and the difficulty in filling positions along with additional expense reductions in personnel related costs, the Ontario Works (OW) Program Delivery budget is projected to be in a Regional surplus position of \$3,200,000.
- Client-related expenditures in the Ontario Works Employment Support accounts have increased compared to pandemic lows but continue to trend below budget due to the relatively lower caseload compared to that experienced pre-pandemic. A surplus of \$150,000 is forecast for the year. Savings in all other expense categories, such as training and facility costs, of \$250,000 are anticipated at year end.
- An unbudgeted refresh and modernization of the office space at 140 Commercial Avenue, Ajax, estimated at approximately \$400,000, was approved and will be funded from available 2022 divisional surplus. Costs associated with the provision of a warming centre in the Town of Ajax to serve vulnerable people, estimated at approximately \$100,000, were approved to be funded from program savings.

• The division has identified the utilization of \$1,000,000 from the 2022 forecasted surplus for use in addressing pressures related to Ukrainian refugee relief. This funding is in addition to the provision of \$1,000,000 as approved in Report 2022-A-22 (noted below under Other Initiatives) and is required due to the greater than anticipated number of refugees arriving in Durham.

#### **Emergency Management and Program Support Services**

• The operations of the Emergency Management and Program Support Services sections are expected to be in a break-even position for 2022, with staff savings being offset by increased expenditures related to temporary accommodation supports for Ukrainian refugees and costs related to the May wind-storm response.

#### **Children's Services**

- The Children's Services Division is currently tracking to budget and anticipates a break-even position for the year.
- The roll-out of the Canada Wide Early Learning and Child Care (CWELCC) initiative as outlined in Report 2022-SS-06, with the related unbudgeted funding of \$41.5 million, is underway. An estimated \$33 million has been committed based on the number of licensees that have opted into the program at this point in time. The balance of funding is anticipated to be utilized to support sites experiencing an operating deficit or reallocated to other Child Care programs within the prescribed CWELCC funding flexibility guidelines.
- Emergency 24/7 childcare was provided in early 2022 for eligible participants in essential services who were impacted by COVID-19 measures at a cost of \$417,000, with offset funding from the Province.

#### **Housing Services**

- The Housing Services Division reports that expenditures continue to track below budgeted expectations, with a projected surplus of \$2,400,000.
- Savings of \$400,000 are anticipated in the Social Housing Administration area because of time lags in filling staff vacancies.
- Payments to external social housing providers, a portion of the Community Housing Program budget, are presently tracking approximately \$2,800,000 under budget due to lower than anticipated Rent Geared to Income subsidies, benchmarked operating costs, and property taxes.
- The Durham Regional Local Housing Corporation (DRLHC), the Region's own housing provider, is projecting a deficit of approximately \$800,000. Cost overages for the year, primarily from winter grounds maintenance and building maintenance and repair are anticipated at \$400,000. Vacancy losses are project to result in an additional \$400,000 deficit as units being rehabilitated

due to tenant turnover have been impacted with supply chain issues resulting in delays to the rehabilitation beyond prior timeframes expected.

Provincial Social Services Relief Fund (SSRF) Phase 5 funding of \$2,800,000 was received to support operating and capital expenses to mitigate the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the homelessness sector, to be used by December 31, 2022. The objectives of SSRF Phase 5 funding include enhanced safety in emergency shelters and other congregate care settings, addressing short-term, critical needs of venerable individuals through the provision of various forms of assistance (e.g., emergency financial, food security, and mental health and addiction services), and the creation of long-term housing solutions, including more affordable and supportive housing.

Overall, a surplus position of \$6,100,000 is projected for the Social Services Department for the year.

#### 4.2 Health Department

#### **Public Health**

- Public Health is reporting a break-even position for 2022.
- Operational savings currently being experienced due to staff vacancies and leaves in the mandatory programs will be utilized to support any overages in the department's continued response to the COVID-19 pandemic and with the delivery of vaccination programs. In 2022, the province has approved 100% subsidy of \$1.6 million for COVID-19 support and \$11.7 million for COVID-19 vaccination costs.
- The Temporary Retention Incentive for Nurses Program introduced by the province provides lump sum payments of up to \$5,000 for eligible full-time nurses and prorated payments of up to \$5,000 for eligible part-time and casual nursing staff. Approximately 345 Health department nurses have been deemed eligible under this program, with the costs fully funded by the province.

#### **Paramedic Services**

- The Region of Durham Paramedic Services division is reporting an estimated surplus of approximately \$750,000 for the year.
- Personnel costs are anticipated to exceed budget by \$300,000. Savings in full time staff costs are offset by the need for increased overtime, due to continued COVID-19 response, offload delays experienced at emergency rooms, and Workers Safety Insurance claim costs.
- The delivery of 100% funded Community Paramedic programs is being impacted by the ability to recruit staff to deliver these services. Services are being delivered to the community with a scaled back scope of operations due to staffing availability.

- Fuel costs have been impacted by increased prices and it is estimated that a fuel pricing deficit of \$500,000 may be experienced by year end. It is also estimated that costs related to vehicle repairs will exceed budgeted estimates by approximately \$200,000.
- Savings of in the range of \$250,000 are anticipated for training costs, conferences, and other operational accounts.
- The 2022 provincial subsidies for RDPS have been confirmed by the Province and will exceed budgeted estimates by \$1,500,000. These subsidy amounts are confirmed after the Region's budget is produced annually.

The net result for the Health Department is a projected surplus of \$750,000 for 2022.

#### 4.3 Works Department

#### **Transportation and Other General Tax Programs**

- The Works Department reports that as of the end of September overall revenue and expenditures for the Transportation and other General Tax programs are projected to be in a deficit position of approximately \$2,000,000 for the year, primarily as a result of the following factors.
- The Winter Maintenance program is anticipated to exceed budgeted expectations primarily due to several significant storm events in early 2022. While the final status of the winter maintenance budget will be dependent upon storm events in the later months of 2022, a deficit of \$1,500,000 is anticipated at this time.
- The Roadside Maintenance program is projected to exceed budget by approximately \$750,000 primarily due to inflationary cost pressures experienced in contracted services such as mowing, culvert maintenance catch basin repairs, asphalt repairs and shoulder grading.
- Traffic Programs, including signal maintenance, signs, pavement lane line marking are experiencing inflationary costs for materials and contacted services and a deficit of \$450,000 is anticipated.
- Staffing vacancies and the difficulty in attracting qualified staff to fill positions are anticipated to provide savings of approximately \$900,000.
- Emergency bridge deck strengthening and repair to increase load carrying capacity for the Smith Bridge on Sanford Rd. (Reg. Rd. 11) between Concession 2 and 3, in the Township of Uxbridge have been undertaken, with the estimated costs for the emergency works of approximately \$200,000.

#### Solid Waste Management

- The Solid Waste Management Division is projecting a \$1,450,000 deficit position for 2022 based on the following factors:
- The impact of contract price adjustments and fuel pricing in the Collection, Processing, Haulage and Disposal programs are anticipated to result in a deficit of approximately \$1,500,000.
- Personnel cost savings in the by-law and support areas are estimated at \$600,000, primarily from staff vacancies and time lag in filling positions, professional fees, advertising, and communication activities.
- In addition, inflationary costs related to increased haulage and other costs at waste management facilities, including transfer station operations, are anticipated to experience a deficit of approximately \$100,000.
- It is anticipated the increased revenue from electricity production and sales of materials from Durham York Energy Centre will be offset by increased waste by-pass costs, resulting in a deficit of approximately \$200,000.
- Increased prices in the early part of 2022 realized on sale of recyclable materials from the diversion program is anticipated to provide a surplus of approximately \$250,000 to the end of the year. This revenue source has experienced significant decrease in prices for commodities in the third quarter and will be closely monitored over the remainder of the year.
- Additional system deficiencies in the sprinkler system at the Region's Material Recovery Facility have been identified. An emergency was declared to repair all deficiencies in the system including repairing the two remaining original systems and the standpipe and equipment/platform systems given the present condition and risk of failure. Estimated costs for this emergency work is anticipated to require \$500,000 of additional funding. Total estimated costs for this work are \$1,424,000.

Overall Works Department is anticipating a deficit of \$3,450,000.

#### 4.4 Planning and Economic Development Department

- The Planning division has realized savings of \$700,000 from vacancies experienced during the year. While the department was anticipating completion of hiring activities in the fall of 2022, the passing of Bill 23 – More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, has created uncertainty for the future.
- The Economic Development and Tourism division is anticipating savings of \$150,000 in staff and related program costs from vacancies.
- At this time, a surplus of approximately \$850,000 is projected for the Planning and Economic Development Department.

#### 4.5 Corporate Services Department

- The Information Technology division is anticipating a deficit of \$200,000 due to greater use of temporary staff and agency personnel to support operations.
- Human Resources has experienced significant numbers of staff on leave and vacancies, primarily due to retirements. In addition, support of the recruiting and hiring of vacancies experienced throughout the Region has increased pressures on the division and resulted in increased use of agency staff. It is estimated that the division will experience a deficit position of \$350,000 for 2022.
- Legislative Services reports there will be savings of approximately \$500,000 for personnel costs due to the timing of filling vacant positions, savings in accounts such as printing, and staffing related areas such as training.
- Legal Services is anticipating savings of approximately \$200,000 due to vacancies during the year.
- The Provincial Offences Act (POA) program is anticipated to provide net revenue of \$200,000 versus the budgeted net revenue of \$1,458,000, resulting in anticipated deficit of \$1,258,000 for the year. The number of POA charges filed during the pandemic dropped significantly from pre-pandemic times, and extensions to fine due dates on POA charges have impacted revenues as well. The shortfall in revenues has been partially offset by savings in the Court Services and the Default Fine Collections programs, due to the reduction in cases and corresponding decrease in related Provincial fees. The costs associated with the download of certain Prosecution responsibilities from the Province have been absorbed within the budget for the year.
- Overall, a deficit of \$1,100,000 is expected for the Corporate Services Department.

#### 4.6 Office of the Chief Administrative Officer

• The programs reporting under the CAOs Office anticipate savings of approximately \$400,000 due to the timing of filling vacancies and savings in operational activities.

#### 4.7 Finance Department

• The Finance Department is projecting a surplus of approximately \$1,500,000 for the year attributable to staff turnover and the time required to fill vacant positions.

#### 4.8 Police Services

• As of September 30, 2022, the Police Service is forecasting that overall year end results will be close to budgeted level. Savings in payroll and related costs

are expected as the Police Service deals with ongoing recruitment challenges. These savings will be reduced by increased spending in the following areas: part-time and overtime costs, benefit costs supporting injured and retired workers, and fuel costs. Additionally, impacts from the July 2022 fire at the Clarington property represents unplanned expenditures to the Police Service budget. The amount and timing of costs, and the offsetting insurance proceeds, are currently being determined. Also, due to the timing of vehicle orders and challenges with budget pre-approvals in an election year, some provision may need to be made for vehicle purchases for 2022 to change the timing of approvals going forward.

#### 4.9 Durham Region Transit

- As of September 30, it is projected that Durham Region Transit will be in a break-even position for 2022.
- During the course of the COVID pandemic, DRT has implemented a number of service modifications to adjust to ridership demands, postponed certain planned service changes, enhanced bus cleaning and maintenance, and introduced several initiatives to bring riders back to transit. These changes have produced savings in the following areas:

Reduction in staffing costs	\$2,100,000
On Demand & Specialized services	\$350,000
Vehicle servicing	<u>\$350,000</u>
Projected savings	\$ <u>2,800,000</u>

- Despite the service modifications and resultant savings, there continues to be considerable price pressures related to fuel. To September, the average cost per litre in 2022 was approximately \$1.59, compared to a budgeted price of \$1.05 per litre. Due to this significant price pressure, the deficit to date is approximately \$2.8 million and is forecasted to reach \$3.4 million by year-end. However, this fuel price deficit is being offset by service adjustments, with the volume of fuel consumed lower than expected, leading to \$1.4 million in savings. Overall, it is anticipated that fuel will be in a \$2.0 million deficit in 2022.
- Cost pressures for contracted services for Whitby and the North have resulted in a 4 per cent increase in expenditures related to this service. As such, a \$400,000 deficit is expected.
- A surplus in fare revenue of approximately \$500,000 is anticipated for 2022. Ridership has gradually increased from the low levels experienced in the prior years, and to September, revenue is trending higher than budget, mainly due to higher than expected Presto revenue. In addition, a surplus of \$600,000 is anticipated for UPASS Revenue, as 2022 enrolment numbers at the post-

secondary institutions are higher than the budgeted levels. Overall, operating revenue is expected to be in \$1.1 million surplus.

• The net position for DRT from the revenue surplus and expenditure impacts is a \$1.5 million surplus. However, there has been a recent provincial announcement made for Transit Safe Restart funding for the year. This will be reviewed for impacts for the next update. Should the Safe Restart funding have unanticipated limitations, DRT will likely be in a break-even position when compared to overall budgeted expectations. Given the uncertainty around Safe Restart funding and research required, a break-even position is forecast at this time.

#### 4.10 Other Initiatives

The following initiatives have been approved subsequent to approval of the 2022 Business Plans and Budgets approval and will require funding from property tax sources:

• A contribution toward the Lake Scugog Enhancement Project (LSEP) to reduce the ecological decline of Lake Scugog, as the LSEP aligns with the Region's strategic plan environmental sustainability objective to protect the environment for the future by demonstrating leadership in sustainability and addressing climate change (Motion of Council June 29, 2022).	\$1,200,000
• Detailed site investigation work to support advancing the building and site development for the restoration and redevelopment of the former Ritson Public School (Report 2022-COW-18).	\$550,000
<ul> <li>Contribution to support individuals and families arriving in Durham via the Canada-Ukraine Authorization for Emergency Travel (Report 2022-A- 22).</li> </ul>	\$1,000,000
<ul> <li>Design and replacement of uninterrupted power supply at regional headquarters</li> <li>Total</li> </ul>	<u>\$1,000,000</u> <u>\$3,750,000</u>

# 5. Water Supply and Sanitary Sewer Systems

#### Water Supply Operation

**5.1** The Works Department reports that expenditure variances are being experienced in various Water Supply programs but that there are overall operational savings. A number of programs report issues with attracting and hiring for vacancies, resulting in savings in the personnel accounts. Inflationary pressures are being

experienced, particularly in the cost of chemicals and utilities for the water supply plants. Service contracts with external agencies and materials needed for programs such as watermain cleaning and repairs and water connection services have been impacted by supply chain issues and inflationary impacts. Overall, a surplus of approximately \$2,500,000 is anticipated for operational programs.

- **5.2** Emergency substation upgrades have been required at the Oshawa Water Supply Plant as a result of an electrical failure. Preventative work was also undertaken due to concerns with the second unit with costs estimated at approximately \$750,000 to cover pre-work studies, acquisition and installation of transformer equipment, and rental of a transformer unit until the new units are installed.
- **5.3** To the end of September, water consumption is trending marginally higher than that of the same period for last year. While growth in the number of water customers at approximately 1 per cent is in line with the estimated growth for 2022, residential consumption is down on a year over year basis, despite the relatively dry summer. However, consumption from the non-residential industrial, commercial, and institutional (ICI) sectors is starting to return to pre-pandemic levels and is trending higher than budgeted estimates. The combination of these factors is expected to result in an estimated water supply user rate revenue surplus of \$2,000,000 (2.1% of budget) for 2022.
- **5.4** Overall, a surplus position of \$3,750,000 for the water supply system is anticipated at this time.

# Sanitary Sewer System

- **5.5** The Works Department projects that the current operational expenditures for Sanitary Sewer are anticipated to produce a surplus position of approximately \$1,800,000 by year end.
- 5.6 Vacancies and related salary savings are anticipated to contribute approximately \$1,500,000 toward the projected surplus. Operational savings, particularly in the sludge haulage and disposal, are anticipated to provide a surplus of approximately \$1,000,000. Service contracts with external agencies and materials required for programs such as cleaning and repairs to maintenance holes and sewer connection have been impacted by the inflationary environment and supply chain issues. Cost pressures are also arising in the utilities and chemical accounts for the plant operations. Costs in these service areas are anticipated to exceed budget by \$700,000.
- **5.7** Similar to water supply user revenues, the sanitary sewer charges from the residential sector are lower than expected, and billings to the ICI sectors are also returning to pre pandemic levels. A surplus position of \$1,500,000 is anticipated for sanitary sewer user revenue for 2022 representing approximately 1.3% of budgeted user revenue.
- **5.8** Overall, a net surplus position of approximately \$3,300,000 is anticipated for the sanitary sewer system.

# 6. Relationship to Strategic Plan

- **6.1** This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goals and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:
  - 5.3 Demonstrate commitment to continuous quality improvement and communicating results: Durham Region is committed to continuous quality improvement and using data and information to make evidence-informed decisions. We will support transparency and accountability by providing clear and consistent communication and sharing of results with the community.
  - 5.4 Drive organizational success through innovation, a skilled workforce, and modernized services: The Region will attract and retain a skilled and diverse workforce that embraces innovation and is committed to delivering modernized services that respond to changing expectations and fiscal realities.

#### 7. Conclusion

- **7.1** Based on the available information to the end of September, surplus positions are forecast for General Tax Operations and the User Rate Supported Water Supply and the Sanitary Sewer Systems. Supply chain issues, inflationary impacts, continued covid-19 response actions, and labour market issues are expected to continue impacting the financial results for the balance of 2022.
- **7.2** Once more information is known about Bill 23 More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, and its implementation, financial impacts will be included in future forecasts.
- **7.3** Finance Department staff will continue to monitor the budget status, revise these estimates in collaboration with the Regional Departments, and provide updates to the forecasts in the coming months. Forecasting is challenging at the best of times, but we are in times of extreme uncertainty. It is important to note that there are many assumptions needed to produce the forecast.

Respectfully submitted,

Original Signed By

Nancy Taylor, BBA, CPA, CA Commissioner of Finance 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:	# <u>2023-INFO-02</u>
Date:	January 13, 2023

#### Subject:

Monitoring of Land Division Committee Decisions of the December 5, 2022, Meeting

#### **Recommendation:**

#### Receive for information

#### **Report:**

#### 1. Purpose

- 1.1 This report summarizes the decisions on consent applications made by the Regional Land Division Committee at its meeting of December 5, 2022 (see Attachment #1). All approved applications conform to the Durham Regional Official Plan. For the applications approved by the Land Division Committee, no appeals to the Ontario Land Tribunal are recommended.
- 1.2 A copy of this report will be forwarded to the Land Division Committee for its information.

# 2. Previous Reports and Decisions

2.1 This is a monthly report which tracks Land Division application activity.

# 3. Relationship to Strategic Plan

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

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

#### 4. Attachments

Attachment #1: Monitoring Chart from the December 5, 2022, Meeting

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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

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# Monitoring of Land Division Committee Decisions for the Meeting Date of December 5, 2022

Appeal Deadline: January 3, 2022

LD File				Regional Official	LDC
Number	Owner	Location	Nature of Application	Plan	Decision
LD 060/2021	Chris & Laura Huntley/Clay & Quincy Huntley	Lot 29, Concession 6 Township of Uxbridge	Consent to add a vacant 15,094.4 $m^2$ rural residential parcel of land to the east, retaining a 25,782.1 $m^2$ rural residential parcel of land with an existing dwelling to remain.	Conforms	Approved by Committee
LD 061/2021	Chris & Laura Huntley/ Clay & Quincy Huntley	Lot 29 &30, Concession 6 Township of Uxbridge	Consent to add a vacant 18,159.9 $m^2$ rural residential parcel of land to the west, retaining a 28,848.4 $m^2$ rural residential parcel of land with an existing dwelling to remain.	Conforms	Approved by Committee
LD 127/2022	Chiciu Alexandru Sorin	Lot 2, Concession 4 City of Oshawa	Consent to sever a vacant 946.08 m <sup>2</sup> residential parcel of land, retaining a 1,071.05 m <sup>2</sup> residential parcel of land. Existing dwelling is to remain.	Conforms	Approved by Committee
LD 128/2022	Maureen Dawkins Treloar c/o Fourteen Estates Ltd.	Lot 24, Concession 7 Township of Scugog	Consent to sever a vacant 0.39 ha rural residential parcel of land, retaining a 0.59 ha parcel of land with an existing dwelling to remain.	Conforms	Approved by Committee

# **Interoffice Memorandum**

	Date:	January 13, 2023			
REGION	То:	Health & Social Services Committee			
	From:	Dr. Robert Kyle			
Health Department	Subject:	Health Information Update – January 8, 2023			
	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.				
		o wish to browse the online Health Department Reference Manual <u>Board of Health Manual</u> , which is continually updated.			
	of the health Promotion] A served by the of health are relating to pu	ealth are required to "superintend, provide or ensure the provision programs and services required by the [Health Protection and Act and the regulations to the persons who reside in the health unit e board" (section 4, clause a, HPPA). In addition, medical officers required to "[report] directly to the board of health on issues ublic health concerns and to public health programs and services any other Act" (sub-section 67.(1), HPPA).			
	Department's other reports Check-Ups, I targets, mon	the Health Information Update is a component of the Health s 'Accountability Framework', which also may include program and s, Health Plans, Quality Enhancement Plans, Durham Health business plans and budgets; provincial performance indicators and itoring, compliance audits and assessments; RDPS certification; ation by Accreditation Canada.			
	Respectfully	submitted,			

Original signed by

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

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#### UPDATES FOR HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE January 8, 2023

# Health Department Media Releases/Publications

tinyurl.com/2px7ft88

COVID-19 Vaccine Update (Dec 22)

# **GOVERNMENT OF CANADA**

# **Department of Justice Canada**

#### tinyurl.com/4zntp6hy

• Statement by Ministers Lametti, Duclos and Bennett and medical assistance in dying in Canada (Dec 15)

# Employment and Social Development Canada tinyurl.com/5eufjxeb

 Reducing fees for licensed child care for Ontario families by 50% on average (Dec 19)

# Environment and Climate Change Canada

# tinyurl.com/2p8wb4a3

• COP15 statement from the Minister of Environment and Climate Change (Dec 19)

# tinyurl.com/mrxzpcck

 Let it roll: The Government of Canada moves to increase the supply of electric vehicles for Canadians (Dec 21)

# tinyurl.com/5bzjsd2m

• Minister Guilbeault submits climate action progress report to the United Nations (Jan 3)

# <u>Health Canada</u>

# tinyurl.com/5n8xarvb

 Message from the Minister of Health and the Minister of National Revenue (Dec 16)

# Public Health Agency of Canada

# tinyurl.com/yp6uk3ah

 Government of Canada Welcomes Task Force Report on Post COVID-19 Condition (Dec 14)

# tinyurl.com/mvwv3v4f

 Joint Statement from the Co-Chairs of the Special Advisory Committee on the Epidemic of Opioid Overdoses – Latest National Data on Substance-Related Harms (Dec 14)

# tinyurl.com/y62krac6

• Statement from the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and Associate Minister of Health on the Overdose Crisis (Dec 14)

#### tinyurl.com/2p9bsuf4

 Government of Canada announces a temporary negative COVID-19 test requirement for travellers arriving from the People's Republic of China, Hong Kong or Macao (Dec 31)

# Transport Canada

#### tinyurl.com/26p96uvn

 Minister of Transport announces the release of Canada's Action Plan for Clean On-Road Transportation (Dec 14)

#### tinyurl.com/yck5thhw

• Minister of Transport announces new Program for Indigenous and local communities to engage on rail safety (Dec 15)

#### tinyurl.com/mwatzbrt

Minister of Transport announces new sound requirements for hybrid and electric vehicles (Dec 22)

# Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat

#### tinyurl.com/y5kxhtjj

 President of the Treasury Board tables Access to Information review's final report (Dec 14)

# **GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO**

# Ministry of Education

# tinyurl.com/2kd493bj

• Ontario Creating More Affordable Child Care Spaces Across the Province (Dec 19)

# Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

#### tinyurl.com/2s55rz2n

• 2021-22 Chief Drinking Water Inspector annual report (Dec 19)

#### tinyurl.com/4u23hvde

• Minister's annual report on drinking water (2022) (Dec 19)

# Ministry of Health

# tinyurl.com/mr3e77r7

• Ontario Expanding Access to MRI Services Across the Province (Dec 12)

# tinyurl.com/bddhx783

• All Ontarians Aged 5+ Eligible for Bivalent Booster (Dec 15)

# tinyurl.com/2p8hzfz6

• Ontario Expanding Safe Use of Biosimilars (Dec 20)

# tinyurl.com/237jdnb2

• Spread the Word: Local Pharmacies Now a One-Stop-Shop for Thirteen Common Ailments (Dec 28)

# <u>Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development</u> tinyurl.com/2xyktt9y

• Ontario Providing Free Naloxone Kits in Workplaces (Dec 14)

# Premier's Office

#### tinyurl.com/2s3kz2mh

• Ontario Investing in the Future of Ornge Air Ambulance (Dec 13)

#### tinyurl.com/yc79dt3k

• Regulations and Statutes in Force as of January 1, 2023 (Dec 30)

# **Treasury Board Secretariat**

#### tinyurl.com/nhj5cpc2

• Winter is here! Let's be prepared this season (Dec 16)

# **OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

# **Alzheimer Society of Ontario**

#### tinyurl.com/mr4xu4rs

• New Ontario Dementia Care Alliance Launches to Create a More Dementia-Friendly Province (Dec 20)

#### tinyurl.com/mt4yvewa

• For people living with dementia, support changes everything (Jan 3)

#### tinyurl.com/37wuv2u6

• Alzheimer Society of Ontario Welcomes U.S. Regulatory Approval of Treatment for Alzheimer's Disease (Jan 6)

# ASH Canada

#### tinyurl.com/ysucjkvv

• Tobacco giant ejected from Canadian COVID-19 vaccine collaboration (Dec 26)

# Financial Accountability Office of Ontario

#### tinyurl.com/336yf8zc

• More extreme rainfall to add \$6.2 billion to Ontario's linear storm and wastewater infrastructure costs by 2030, and significantly more by 2100 (Dec 13)

# Heart and Stroke Foundation

# tinyurl.com/ymeb6j7c

• Stroke in Canada is on the rise (Dec 20)

# IC/ES

# tinyurl.com/yck6pxa3

• Healthcare crises affect how survivors of sexual assault seek help (Jan 3)

# tinyurl.com/mpzt6nwf

• Study finds gaps in breastfeeding practices and supports for birthing parents with disabilities (Jan 3)

# Independent Electricity System Operator

# tinyurl.com/9snvrptu

 The IESO Continues Work Toward a Decarbonized Electricity Grid with a Trio of Reports (Dec 15)

# **Ontario Pharmacists Association**

# tinyurl.com/8pvy9cmh

• Ontario pharmacists can now assess and treat minor ailments (Dec 28)

# **Statistics Canada**

# tinyurl.com/59cpz5dj

• Statement on the appointment of the Chairperson of the Canadian Statistics Advisory Council (Dec 15)

# Interoffice Memorandum



#### The Regional Municipality of Durham

Corporate Services Department

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Barb Goodwin MPA, CPA/CGA, B.Comm, CPM, CMMIII Commissioner of Corporate Services

- Date: January 13, 2023
- To: Members of Regional Council
- From: Barb Goodwin, Commissioner of Corporate Services

# Subject: 2022 - 2026 Meeting Schedule - Revised

As a follow up to Report <u>#2022-INFO-40</u> which appeared on the May 13, 2022 Council Information Package, please be advised that the Region will observe the Christmas Eve half day holiday beginning at noon on Wednesday, December 27, 2023 rather than Friday, December 22, 2023 as was previously communicated.

The change was made in response to concerns raised by the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) regarding potential implications for employees in Child Care Centres which will be required to remain open on December 22, 2023 (without mandatory overtime provisions in the Collective Agreement) as schools will be open that day. It is expected that this concern will be addressed during the next round of bargaining.

An updated meeting calendar is attached for your reference.

# **Regular Regional Council and Committee Meeting Schedule**

November 2022 to November 2026

Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2022	-				
October 31 – November 4, 2022	-	-	-	-	-
November 7 – 11, 2022	-	-	-	-	Remembrance Day
November 14 – 18, 2022	-	New Term of Council Commences	-	-	-
November 21 – 25, 2022	-	-	-	-	-
November 28 – December 2, 2022	-	-	First Meeting of Regional Council	-	-
December 5 – 9, 2022	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	-
December 12-16, 2022	-	F&A	COW	-	-
December 19 – 23, 2022	-	-	Council	-	Offices Closed at 12:00 PM
December 26 – 30, 2022	Christmas Day Observed	Boxing Day Observed	-	-	Offices Closed at 12:00 PM
2023	_	_	_	_	_
January 2 – 6, 2023	New Year's Day Observed	-	-	-	-
January 9 – 13, 2023	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	
January 16 – 20, 2023	-	F&A	COW	-	-
January 23 – 27, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
January 30 – February 3, 2023	-	-	Council	-	-
February 6 – 10, 2023	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	-
February 13 – 17, 2023	-	F&A	COW	-	-
February 20 – 24, 2023	Family Day	-	-	-	-
February 27 – March 3, 2023	-	-	Council	-	-
March 6 – 10, 2023	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	-
March 13 – 17, 2023	March Break Week	-	-	-	-

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March 20 – 24, 2023	-	F&A	COW	-	-
March 27 – 31, 2021	-	-	Council	-	-
April 3 – 7, 2023	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	Good Friday
April 10 – 14, 2023	Easter Monday	F&A	COW	-	-
April 17 – 21, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
April 24 – 28, 2023	-	-	Council	-	-
May 1 – 5, 2023	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	-
May 8 – 12, 2023	-	F&A	COW	-	-
May 15 – 19, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
May 22 – 26, 2023	Victoria Day	-	Council	-	-
May 29 – June 2, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
June 5 – 9, 2023	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	-
June 12 – 16, 2023	-	F&A	COW	-	-
June 19 – 23, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
June 26 – 30, 2023	-	-	Council	-	Canada Day Observed
July 3 – 7, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
July 10 – 14, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
July 17 – 21, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
July 24 – 28, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
July 31 – August 4, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
August 7 – 11, 2023	Civic Holiday	-	-	-	-
August 14 – 18, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
August 21 – 25, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
August 28 – September 1, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
September 4 – 8, 2023	Labour Day	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	-
September 11 – 15, 2023	-	F&A	COW	-	-
September 18 – 22, 2023	-	-	-	-	-

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September 25 – 29, 2023	-	-	Council	-	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Observed
October 2 – 6, 2023	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	-
October 9 – 13, 2023	Thanksgiving Day	F&A	COW	-	-
October 16 – 20, 2023	-	-	Council	-	-
October 23 – 27, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
October 30 – November 3, 2023	-	-	-	-	-
November 6 – 10, 2023	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	Remembrance Day Observed
November 13 – 17, 2023	-	F&A	COW	-	-
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December 4 – 8, 2023	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	-
December 11 – 15, 2023	-	F&A	COW	-	-
December 18 – 22, 2023	-	-	Council	-	-
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2024	-	-	-	_	-
January 1 – 5, 2024	New Year's Day	-	-	-	-
January 8 – 12, 2024	-	P&ED	Works TEC	H&SS	-
January 15 – 19, 2024	-	F&A	COW	-	-
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January 29 – February 2, 2024	-	-	Council	-	-
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October 19 – 23, 2026	-	-	Council	-	-
October 26 – 30, 2026	Municipal Elections	-	-	-	-
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December 28 – January 1, 2027	Boxing Day Observed	-	-	Offices Closed at 12:00 PM	New Year's Day



# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBOURG

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

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December 28, 2022

# SENT VIA EMAIL

David Piccini, Member of Provincial Parliament Hon. Doug Ford, Premier Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

# Re: Town of Cobourg Resolution – Strong Mayors, Building Act, (Bill 3)

At a meeting held on December 19, 2022, the Municipal Council of the Town of Cobourg approved the following Resolution #406-22

# Strong Mayors, Building Act, (Bill 3)

Moved by Councillor Brian Darling, Seconded by Councillor Aaron Burchat

THAT Council receive the correspondence from the Municipality of Prince Edward County, Township of Lanark Highlands Municipality of Greenstone regarding the Strong Mayors, Building Act (Bill 3) for information purposes

AND FURTHER THAT Cobourg Council supports the resolutions from these municipalities regarding Bill 3

AND FURTHER THAT Cobourg Council opposes the changes that Bill 3 makes to the Municipal Act, 2001 and Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

AND FURTHER THAT Council direct the Municipal Clerk to send a copy of this resolution be provided to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP David Piccini, all 444 municipalities, FCM, AMCTO, and AMO.

# 406-22

# Carried

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

Sincerely,

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

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December 15, 2022

Via email: premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Legislative Building Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier:

# Re: Kingston City Council Meeting, December 6, 2022 – New Motion 5 – Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016

At the regular meeting on December 6, 2022, Council approved New Motion 5 with respect to request to the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016. At the same meeting, the following resolution was approved:

Office of the City Clerk

**Whereas** Municipal governments support the Province's implementation of outcomes-based policies to move responsibility for end-of-life management of designated products and packaging to producers who are the most able to affect system change; and

**Whereas** these policies can improve environmental outcomes, provide new jobs and grow Ontario's economy; and

Whereas outcomes-based policies require clear consequences for noncompliance that can be administered in an effective and efficient manner; and

**Whereas** Administrative penalties are a cost-effective tool for the regulator to hold polluters accountable, so there is less burden on the courts and taxpayers; and

**Whereas** the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority does not have Administrative Penalties which is impacting the ability of the regulator to ensure compliance with the regulations under the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016; and **Whereas** data provided by Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority shows there is a currently a backlog of over 2,000 cases of potential non-compliance and almost 200 known instances of non-compliance; and

**Whereas** the Resource Productivity and Recovery Authority has found battery producers non-compliant for collection accessibility and processing; and

**Whereas** the largest waste diversion program, the Blue Box, sees the first communities transition in a few months, ensuring the Regulator has appropriate enforcement tools to ensure servicing and outcomes are met is critical for a smooth transition for Ontarians;

**Therefore Be It Resolved That** the City of Kingston calls on the Provincial government to promptly pass an Administrative Penalties regulation under the Resource Recovery and Circular Economy Act, 2016; and

**That** this resolution be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, MPP Ted Hsu, MPP John Jordan, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all Municipalities in Ontario for their consideration and support.

Yours sincerely,

John Bolognone City Clerk /nb

C.C. Minister of the Environment, Conservation & Parks Ted Hsu, MPP for Kingston & the Islands John Jordan, MPP for Kingston, Frontenac Lanark AMO All Ontario Municipalities



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January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Attn: Tatiana Dafoe (Clerk) The City of Stratford City Hall, P.O. Box 818 Stratford ON N5A 6W1

Please be advised that at the December 20th, 2022, Township of Cramahe Council Meeting the following resolution was passed with respect to supporting The City of Stratford's petition regarding funding and support of Via Rail services.

Resolution No. 2022-319 Moved by Councillor Van Egmond Seconded by Deputy Mayor Arthur

**BE IT RESOVLED THAT** Council support the City of Stratford's resolution passed at their November 14th, 2022, meeting on the Funding and Support for VIA Rail Services; and

**THAT** the Council of the Township of Cramahe recommend to the Government of Canada to adequately fund and fully support VIA Rail Canada in increasing the frequency, reliability, and speed of VIA real services in 2023 and successive years, specifically train #651 in Cobourg Ontario.

#### CARRIED

Sincerely,

Holly Grant Municipal Clerk Township of Cramahe holly@cramahe.ca

CC: Premier Doug Ford MPP David Piccini MP Philip Lawrence Association of Municipalities of Ontario Federation of Canadian Municipalities All Ontario Municipalities

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#### The Regional Municipality of Durham

#### MINUTES

## DURHAM AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### December 6, 2022

A meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, December 6, 2022 in Meeting Room 1B, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 7:32 PM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

#### 1. Roll Call

Present: Z. Cohoon, Federation of Agriculture, Chair

- T. Barrie, Clarington
- N. Guthrie, Member at Large
- K. Kemp, Scugog
- K. Kennedy\*, Member at Large
- D. Risebrough, Member at Large
- B. Smith, Uxbridge, Vice-Chair
- G. Taylor, Pickering
- F. Puterbough, Member at Large
- T. Watpool, Brock, Vice-Chair
- B. Winter\*, Ajax

# \*denotes members of the Committee participating electronically

Absent: B. Howsam, Member at Large

H. Schillings, Whitby

#### Staff

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

## 2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by D. Risebrough, Seconded by K. Kemp, That the minutes of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, be adopted. CARRIED

#### 4. **Presentations**

A) Jeremy Dunn, Commercial Vice President, Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority – Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority Overview

Jeremy Dunn, Commercial Vice President, Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority, provided a PowerPoint presentation with regards to Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority Overview.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority is one of 17 Port Authorities in Canada
- Managing Working Waterfronts on the Canadian Great Lakes
- Regional Economic Impact
- We deploy our port assets to support strategic users
- Major projects
- A growing, integrated port network
- Transformation of the Port of Hamilton
- Diversification and innovation driving cargo growth
- Cargo Diversification
- More Overseas Cargo
- Congestion Hotspots
- A stronger marine presence in the GTHA
- Supply Chain Cost Breakdown
- HOPA Ports is an Enthusiastic Partner
- A Sustainable Port of Oshawa
- Infrastructure Reinvestment
- Sixteen Agri-Good Companies Call HOPA Home
- \$200 million+ in Agri-Food Investment in 10 years
- Grain Cargo Hamilton and Oshawa
- Oshawa Cargo
- Agricultural Partners
  - o Parrish & Heimbecker
  - o G3 Canada Ltd.
  - o Sylvite
- Supportive Environment for Your Business

- Development Space Available
- The Right Mode at the Right Time Marine, Rail, Road
- Transportation Partners
- Infrastructure Reinvestment
- New 10,000 MT Grain Silo and Truck Unloading Infrastructure
- Congestion Hotspots
- Niagara's Strategic Assets
- Future Development Opportunities Port Colborne

J. Dunn stated that the Hamilton-Oshawa Port Authority moves approximately 10 million tons of cargo per year, is the seventh largest port authority in Canada, and their goal is to develop multimodal spaces in Hamilton, Oshawa and Niagara. He advised that 80% of their revenues come from land leases and 20% comes from fees generated from shipping and product moving in and out of the port.

J. Dunn stated that some recent investments include a new flower mill, new grain export terminals, a new sugar refinery, partnering in energy and cogeneration, and bulk and liquid export expansion. He also stated that in June of 2019 the Federal Government made the determination to amalgamate the Hamilton and Oshawa port authorities and purchased an additional 13 acres of private land on the Welland Canal to add an element to the trade business.

J. Dunn advised there is approximately 110 acres of development space left in Oshawa and vey little space in Hamilton. He also advised that the vision for the Port of Oshawa is to invest \$20-\$25 million over the next 3 years. He stated that the contribution agreement as part of the federal grant program, National Trade Corridor Fund, is in its final stages of approval and will be starting on the infrastructure program in early 2023.

J. Dunn responded to questions with regards to how to expedite moving the project along; and the commercial arrangement between Hamilton Oshawa Port Authority, QSL (operator of the port), and customers.

# 5. Discussion Items

# A) Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update

S. Jibb provided the following update:

- Working on an on-farm diversified uses toolkit with the City of Kawartha Lakes, Northumberland County, Peterborough and Kawarthas Economic Development, and York Region to provide businesses with a general toolkit on what would be needed if they considered diversifying their farm business.
- The Region's new Economic Development and Tourism Strategy was presented to the Planning & Economic Development Committee on December 6, 2022 and will be presented to Regional Council on December 21, 2022.

A. De Vos provided the following update:

- Working on a food processing business retention and expansion project to build stronger relationships with food processors that exist in the Region and build food processing capacity in Durham Region, and will be launching in the first quarter of 2023.
- The Best Practices for On-Farm Diversified Uses Report by Wayne Caldwell, Pamela Duesling and Emily Sousa was released in November 2022 and will be provided to local contacts in planning and economic development.

#### B) Agricultural 101 Training

S. Jibb advised they are looking at providing Regional Council and Area Municipal Councils with Agricultural 101 Training. She advised they have the content outline developed and are working to tweak the content and build a PowerPoint presentation to be delivered. She suggested that each local representative from DAAC provide the presentation to their local councils.

#### C) Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022

M. Scott advised that Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 received Royal Assent on November 28, 2022. He also advised that there is now the ability for a third party appeal on official plan amendments and zoning by-law amendments. He stated that there are significant changes for the land use planning system in Ontario.

M. Scott advised there are three sites in Durham Region that are proposed to be changed covering a total of 4,500 acres of land. The most significant parcel of land impacted is in Pickering in the Duffins Rouge Agriculture Preserve, as well as a site in Ajax on the South side of Kingston Road East, North of Highway 401 and West of Lakeridge Road, and a site in Clarington at Nash Road and Hancock Road.

M. Scott advised that under the proposed changes Durham Region will no longer have planning authority in the Planning Act. He stated that there are two pieces of planning legislation, the Provincial Policy Statement and Places to Grow Act, that are proposed to be amended.

Discussion ensued with regards to the changes being implemented under Bill 23.

#### D) Bill 39, Better Municipal Governance Act, 2022

M. Scott advised that the Province is appointing facilitators to assess the services delivered by Regional governments and will be repealing the Duffins Rouge Agriculture Preserve Act as part of Bill 39.

#### E) Bill 46, Less Red Tape, Stronger Ontario Act, 2022

M. Scott advised that there are changes from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs with the introduction of the Less Red Tape, Stronger Ontario Act which, if passed, would include the Grow Ontario Strategy, modernizing the Veterinarians Act and allowing custom feeding among feeder cattle co-op members, enhancing animal health preparedness under the Animal Health Act, and modernizing the Agricultural Research Institute of Ontario Act.

#### 6. Information Items

#### A) DAAC Membership Process

M. Scott advised that applications have been sent to all local municipalities for applicant selection with the exception of the Township of Brock. He also advised that representatives recommended by the local municipalities will then require approval from Regional Council.

B) Envision Durham – Growth Management Study, Phase 2: Draft Settlement Area Boundary Expansions and Area Municipal Growth Allocations

A copy of Report #2022-INFO-91 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development – Envision Durham – Growth Management Study, Phase 2: Draft Settlement Area Boundary Expansions and Area Municipal Growth Allocations was provided as Attachment #2 to the Agenda and received.

M. Scott advised the Growth Management Study is open for draft comments and he can have the Planner provide a presentation to the Committee if requested.

#### 7. Other Business

Keith Kennedy advised he will be retiring from the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

Z. Cohoon advised that Gerri-Lynn O'Connor and Councillor Highet will be retiring from the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

#### 8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 starting at 7:30 PM.

#### 9. Adjournment

Moved by D. Risebrough, Seconded by N. Guthrie, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Z. Cohoon, Chair, Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee

K. Smith, Committee Clerk