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5. <u>Municipality of Clarington</u> – re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on June 27, 2023, regarding Proposed Provincial Planning Statement and Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023)

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- 3. <u>Town of Halton Hills</u> re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on June 19, 2023, regarding Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs
- 4. <u>Township of Cramahe</u> re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on June 20, 2023, in support of the City of Cambridge's resolution regarding amendments to the Highway Traffic Act
- 5. <u>Township of Cramahe</u> re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on June 20, 2023, regarding The Women of Ontario Say No: Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement
- Town of Petrolia re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on June 26, 2023, regarding the recommendation for amendment to the current regulations for licensed home-based childcare operators to increase allowable spaces
- 7. <u>Township of Selwyn</u> re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on June 27, 2023, regarding Short Term Rentals
- 8. <u>City of Port Colborne</u> re: Resolution passed at their Council meeting held on June 27, 2023, in support of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury's resolution regarding The Right-to-Repair Movement Condition

Miscellaneous Correspondence

- 1. <u>Kawartha Conservation Area</u> re: Transition Plans and Agreements 5th progress report and inventory of Programs and Services
- 2. Durham Regional Police Services Board re: DRPS 2022 Annual Report

Advisory / Other Committee Minutes

- 1. Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee (DAAC) minutes <u>June 13, 2023</u>
- 2. Durham Nuclear Health Committee (DNHC) minutes <u>June 16, 2023</u>
- 3. Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce (DRART) minutes <u>June 22, 2023</u>
- 4. Energy From Waste Waste Management Advisory Committee (EFW-WMAC) minutes June 27, 2023

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health

Report: #<u>2023-INFO-60</u> Date: July 7, 2023

Subject:

Opioid Toxicity and Access to Treatment among Adolescents and Young Adults in Ontario and National Data on Substance-Related Harms

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To provide an update on the report: Opioid Toxicity and Access to Treatment among Adolescents and Young Adults in Ontario, released by the Ontario Drug Policy Research Network (ODPRN), Public Health Ontario (PHO), and the Office of the Chief Coroner of Ontario/Ontario Forensic Pathology Service on June 27, 2023.
- 1.2 To provide an update on the latest national data on substance-related harms, released on June 26, 2023.

2. Background

- 2.1 The joint ODPRN, PHO and Office of the Chief Coroner of Ontario report analyzes data obtained from the Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences (ICES) and the Drug and Alcohol Treatment Information System (DATIS) to describe trends in opioid-related harms, demographics around opioid toxicity deaths and access to treatment among adolescents (aged 15 to 17 years) and young adults (aged 18 to 24 years), compared to adults (aged 25 to 44) in Ontario.
- 2.2 PHO released an <u>infographic</u> to accompany the report which summarizes key findings.
- 2.3 On June 26, 2023, the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) released a joint statement from the Co-Chairs of the Special Advisory Committee on the Epidemic

of Opioid Overdoses on the latest national data on substance-related harms. In addition, the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and Associate Minister of Health released a <u>statement</u> on the overdose crisis.

3. Ontario Report Highlights

- 3.1 A cross-sectional study was conducted with data obtained from ICES and DATIS between 2014 and 2021. The study examined trends in treatment for opioid use disorder (OUD) and opioid toxicity, demographic characteristics and circumstances surrounding opioid toxicity deaths and recent interactions with the healthcare system prior to opioid toxicity death.
- 3.2 The key findings show that between 2014 and 2021, there were 711 opioid-related inpatient hospitalizations, 5,401 opioid-related emergency department (ED) visits, and 752 opioid-related deaths among adolescents and young adults.
- 3.3 During this time and in this population, the rate of opioid toxicity ED visits more than quadrupled, the rate of deaths tripled, and the rate of individuals receiving opioid agonist treatment (OAT) decreased by more than half.
- 3.4 Findings for demographic characteristics and circumstances surrounding opioid toxicity deaths compared data in the pre-pandemic period with data during the pandemic. Results showed that:
 - a. Deaths among adolescents and young adults went from 115 pre-pandemic to 169 during the pandemic and that the rate of deaths among young adults is five times higher than among adolescents.
 - b. Opioid toxicity deaths were clustered among those in lower income neighbourhoods among all age groups.
 - c. One in eight individuals who died due to opioid toxicity experienced homelessness.
 - d. Non-pharmaceutical opioids were involved in 90 per cent of deaths, which is a significant increase compared to 75 per cent pre-pandemic.
 - e. Fentanyl directly contributed to 94 per cent of deaths among adolescents and young adults, which is a significant increase compared to 84 per cent prepandemic.
 - f. During the pandemic, among adolescents and young adults, half of deaths involved non-pharmaceutical stimulants, one in 10 deaths involved benzodiazepines, and one in 20 deaths involved alcohol.
 - g. Inhalation or smoking increased during the pandemic and was higher among adolescents and young adults as compared to adults.
- 3.5 Findings regarding recent interactions with the healthcare system prior to opioid toxicity death showed that overall, patterns of healthcare utilization before death did not change significantly during the pandemic.

4. National Data Highlights

- 4.1 On June 26, 2023, the <u>latest national surveillance data</u> on opioid and stimulant-related harms in Canada from January 2016 to December 2022 was released.
- 4.2 From January to December 2022, an average of 20 people per day died of an opioid overdose in Canada, which represents 9 per cent fewer deaths than in 2021.
- 4.3 Hospitalization trends are similar and show that in 2022, an average of 14 people were hospitalized daily for opioid-related poisoning, compared to 17 people in 2021.
- 4.4 In addition to the latest national data, PHAC also published new modelling projections on opioid-related deaths between now and December 2023.
- 4.5 Projections through to December 2023 show that under some scenarios, the number of opioid-related deaths may remain high or may decrease, but not to prepandemic levels.

5. Previous Reports

- 5.1 Report <u>2021-INFO-60</u> provided an update on the report: <u>Changing Circumstances Surrounding Opioid-Related Deaths in Ontario During the COVID-19 Pandemic</u>, released on May 19, 2021.
- 5.2 Report <u>2022-INFO-10</u> provided an update on the report: <u>Patterns of Medication and Healthcare Use Among People Who Died of Opioid-Related Toxicity During the COVID-19 Pandemic in Ontario</u>, released on January 18, 2022.
- 5.3 Report <u>2022-INFO-67</u> provided an update on the report: <u>Lives Lost to Opioid</u> <u>Toxicity Among Ontarians Who Worked in the Construction Industry</u>, released on July 27, 2022.
- 5.4 Report <u>2023-INFO-26</u> provided information on the appearance of benzodiazepines and xylazine in the unregulated drug supply.
- 5.5 Report <u>2023-INFO-33</u> provided an update on local trends and strategies to address mental health and opioids in Durham Region.
- 5.6 Report <u>2023-INFO-46</u> provided an update on the Durham Region Opioid Response Plan.
- 5.7 Report <u>2023-INFO-47</u> provided information on the application process for Consumption and Treatment Services (CTS) in Ontario.

6. Relationship to Strategic Plan

6.1 This report aligns with the following strategic goal and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:

- a. Goal 2: Community Vitality
 - 2.2 Enhance community safety and well-being.
 - 2.3 Influence the social determinants of health to improve outcomes for vulnerable populations.

7. Conclusion

- 7.1 The results outlined in the Opioid Toxicity and Access to Treatment among Adolescents and Young Adults in Ontario report show an increasing treatment gap for OUD among adolescents and young adults with increasing rates of opioid toxicity, indicating a need for a multi-faceted approach and strategies that focus on upstream factors of substance-related harm.
- 7.2 Services must be given specific consideration and tailored to a population's preferences, needs and goals, with adequate knowledge and access to harm reduction programs that incorporate a peer-to-peer support network.
- 7.3 Locally, the Durham Region Health Department (DRHD) provides information regarding opioids and overdose prevention, and resources for the community to get involved and get help, available at durham.ca/drugs.
- 7.4 To address the local opioid crisis, the Durham Region Opioid Task Force developed the Durham Region Opioid Response Plan, which has four pillars (i.e., prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and enforcement) and further objectives to address these areas. A Durham Region Opioid Response Plan Status Report was released in June 2023.
 - a. The Status Report provides an update on local data, highlights of work accomplished by the Durham Region Opioid Task Force and next steps.
- 7.5 The <u>Durham Region Opioid Information System (DROIS)</u> is an online tool that provides the latest opioid overdose-related statistics, including Region of Durham Paramedic Services (RDPS) calls. Local data show that:
 - a. In 2022, four per cent of suspected opioid overdose calls received by RDPS were for individuals aged zero to 19, compared to 5.4 per cent of calls so far in 2023. However, over the last five years, the percentage of suspected opioid overdose calls received by RDPS for this age group have remained steady.
 - b. Between 2014 and 2021, there was an increase in the number of ED visits for individuals aged zero to 19. However, in recent years, the increase in ED visits for this age group is not significant.
- 7.6 Local trend data show that in 2020 and 2021, Durham Region was below the provincial rates for hospitalizations and deaths. In 2022, there was a general decrease in opioid-related morbidity and mortality, however complete data for 2022 is not yet available.

7.7 DRHD staff continues to monitor local trends and work with the Durham Region Opioid Task Force members to address opioid-related poisonings and ensure alignment with other local plans that aim to address mental health and addictions.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner & Medical Officer of Health

Report: #<u>2023-INFO-61</u> Date: July 7, 2023

Subject:

Protecting at-risk populations from extreme heat in Durham Region: updates on evidence, programs, and City of Hamilton new proposed policy

Recommendation:

Receive for information

Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 To summarize lessons learned from the 2021 BC heat dome and highlight local initiatives to reduce heat-related illnesses and deaths, including:
 - a. Summarizing epidemiological findings of social and material risk factors associated with heat-related mortality during the 2021 BC heat dome.
 - b. Reviewing Durham Region initiatives to prevent heat-related morbidity and mortality.
 - c. Highlighting a proposed landmark heat by-law in Canada.

2. Background

- 2.1 In accordance with the Healthy Environments and Climate Change Guideline of the Accountability,, Durham Region Health Department (DRHD) is required to assess and address health impacts related to climate change including monitoring emerging trends and priority populations, and work with partners to reduce exposure to climate related health hazards, such as extreme heat.
- 2.2 On June 28, 2023, Ontario's Associate Chief Medical Officer of Health shared that Environment and Climate Change Canada's (ECCC's) <u>forecast</u> anticipates higher-than-normal temperatures in Ontario until August. The Ministry of Health is

- anticipating an increase in the ECCC heat warnings and potential extreme heat events.
- 2.3 From June 25 to July 1, 2021, British Columbia experienced a record-setting heat dome that led to an estimated 740 excess deaths (a 440 per cent increase in community deaths) (Henderson et al., 2022). Maximum temperatures on June 28 resulted in the greatest number of deaths occurring a day later (mainly overnight).
 - a. Social and material risk factors associated with heat-related mortality were identified to inform public health response planning (Henderson et al., 2022).
 - Risk of death was associated with deprivation, lower neighbourhood greenness, older age, and sex.
 - A combined index of material and social deprivation was most predictive of heat dome risk.
 - No increased mortality risk was found in socially and materially privileged neighbourhoods.
 - Socially and materially deprived neighbourhoods were associated with a 188 per cent increase in mortality risk.
 - A five per cent increase in tree canopy was associated with a 10 per cent decrease in mortality risk, independent of socioeconomic status.
 - b. Key messages: "People died because it was hot inside" Dr. Sarah Henderson, BC Centre for Disease Control.
 - Ninety-eight per cent of deaths occurred indoors and more than half lived alone.
 - Most who died were in homes without adequate cooling systems and many lived in socially or materially deprived neighbourhoods.
 - Preventing indoor overheating is key to reducing risk.
 - Protective factors to prevent indoor overheating include improved housing quality, neighbourhood green space, social connection, and being in care.

3. Previous Reports and Decisions

3.1 Report #2021-COW-35, from the Chief Administrative Officer, Commissioner of Social Services, Commissioner of Works, and Commissioner of Finance/Treasurer, outlined the proposed actions to undertake deep energy retrofits with the senior's housing portfolio of Durham Region Local Housing Corporation (DRLHC) and sought authority to submit a funding application to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Green Municipal Fund Sustainable Affordable Housing Program.

4. Durham Region Actions to Protect At-risk Populations

4.1 DRHD collaborates with ECCC to provide advance notice of extreme heat conditions to municipalities, community partners and the public through the <u>Durham Region Heat Warning and Information System</u> (HWIS).

- a. The HWIS allows community service agencies and municipalities to activate their heat response plans in advance of the extreme heat.
- b. DRHD uses social media and news releases to provide information on reducing heat illness.
- c. <u>Durham's extreme heat webpage</u> includes information on recognizing heatillness, conducting wellness checks and low-cost ways to stay cool in a hot indoor setting.
- d. Annual HWIS meetings with local partners focus on heat response planning including the needs of at-risk populations.
- 4.2 The <u>Durham Greener Homes Program</u>, launched in April 2022, is designed to support residents with undertaking energy efficient renovations to their homes. The program is available Region-wide and is targeted at owner-occupied homes.
 - a. It includes free access to an expert home energy coach to help residents navigate their journey through a home energy upgrade, as well as financing and incentive support. The program is managed by staff in the Office of the CAO and is administered by the Windfall Ecology Centre on behalf of the Region.
 - b. A key focus of the program is encouraging the installation of air source heat pumps which provide energy efficient and low carbon heating and cooling in existing homes. The program has recently been augmented to include an income qualified incentive for air source heat pumps to help support vulnerable low-income households with installing these systems in their homes.
 - c. Energy efficient renovations can not only reduce a home's carbon footprint and monthly energy bills, but they can play a major role in reducing the impacts of extreme heat events for vulnerable residents. Building better insulated homes that have efficient and low carbon heating and cooling systems is a critical climate change resilience strategy to manage increasing temperatures and extreme heat waves.
- 4.3 Through the DRLHC Seniors Building Portfolio Retrofit Strategy, the Region continues to advance an energy efficiency and resilience strategy for the DRLHC multi-unit seniors building portfolio that includes a focus on providing in suite cooling through installation of heat pumps. An update to Regional Council on this retrofit strategy will be provided later in 2023.
- 4.4 The Region continues to coordinate a collaborative effort with local area municipalities to provide funding and communications support for the delivery of the <u>LEAF Backyard Tree planting program</u> which provides subsidized tree planting to residents in Pickering, Ajax, Whitby, Oshawa, Clarington, Brock, and Scugog.
 - a. From June 2020 to December 2022, approximately 770 trees have been planted through the LEAF program.
 - b. Trees and vegetation lower surface and air temperatures by providing shade and through evapotranspiration. Shaded surfaces, for example, may be 11–

25°C cooler than the peak temperatures of unshaded materials. Evapotranspiration, alone or in combination with shading, can help reduce peak summer temperatures by 1–5°C.

c. Trees and vegetation are most useful as a heat mitigation strategy when planted in strategic locations around buildings or to shade pavement in parking lots and on streets.

5. Landmark Policy Update

- 5.1 In May, 2023, the City of Hamilton voted in favor of a motion to develop a maximum heat by-law to go into effect in 2024.
 - a. The by-law would require landlords to maintain minimum standards during heat waves and include an "adequate temperature by-law". These standards have not yet been set.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1 As part of its mandate, DRHD is undertaking a climate change and health vulnerability assessment to determine climate hazards that may impact the health of Durham residents now and in the future. With the expected increase in extreme heat events in Durham Region due to climate change, continued attention to at-risk populations, particularly older adults living in socially and materially deprived conditions, is needed. Actions may include:
 - a. Continued promotion of the Durham Region HWIS.
 - b. Health promotion on recognizing and responding to heat-related illness, emphasising accessible, low-cost protection from extreme heat.
 - c. Low-cost retrofits to promote more heat resilient housing.
 - d. Tree planting with a focus on underserved homes and neighbourhoods.
 - e. Monitoring of extreme heat by-laws in other jurisdictions.

7. Attachment

References

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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

References

Henderson, S.B., Lamothe, F., Yao, J. et al. Improving attribution of extreme heat deaths through interagency cooperation. *Can J Public Health*. August 2022; 113, 698-702. https://doi.org/10.17269/s41997-022-00672-2

Henderson, S.B., McLean, K.E., Lee, M.J., Kosatsky, T. Analysis of community deaths during the catastrophic 2021 heat dome: Early evidence to inform the public health response during subsequent events in greater Vancouver, Canada. *Environ Epidemiol*. February 2022; 6(1): e189. https://doi.org/10.1097/EE9.00000000000000000189



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

Interoffice Memorandum

Date: July 7, 2023

To: Regional Chair Henry and Members of Regional

Council

From: Brian Bridgeman, Commissioner of Planning and

Economic Development

Subject: Envision Durham, new Regional Official Plan

On May 17, 2023, Durham Region Council adopted the new Regional Official Plan (ROP) pursuant to Sections 17 and 26 of the Planning Act by By-law 38-2023. On June 1, 2023, Regional staff submitted the required documentation related to the adoption of the new Regional Official Plan to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and on June 27th, the submission was deemed to be complete by MMAH staff. The new ROP is now before the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for a decision under the Planning Act.

On June 21, 2023, the Region received the attached letter from Minister Steve Clark, advising that the 120-day timeframe has been suspended and that the Region will be notified when the Minister takes additional steps towards approval under the Planning Act. It is unclear why the Minister would take this action at this time, coincident with posting of the new ROP on the ERO (ERO #019-7195) for a 60-day consultation period. Agencies, stakeholders and the public can submit comments directly to the Ministry until August 20, 2023.

Regional staff will work with Ministry staff as they work through their review of the new ROP and be available to respond to any questions of clarification.

If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact Planning Reception at 1-800-372-1102, ext. 2548.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Brían Brídgeman

Brian Bridgemen, MCIP, RPP, PLE Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development

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June 21, 2023

Alexander Harras
Regional Clerk and Director of Legislative Services
Region of Durham
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Dear Alexander Harras:

Bill 109, the *More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022* was passed by the Legislature and received Royal Assent on April 14, 2022. Schedule 5 of the Bill makes changes to the *Planning Act* to:

- expedite approvals and incent timely decisions for zoning, plan of subdivision and site plan applications, and
- ensure provincial housing policies are implemented and priority projects are expedited by providing the province with new tools to address dispute resolution.

One of the *Planning Act* changes provides a new discretionary authority for me as the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to suspend the time period to make a decision on official plans and amendments.

I am writing to notify you that I am using this authority, pursuant to ss. 17(40.1) of the *Planning Act*, to suspend the 120-day timeline for the new Region of Durham Official Plan, which was adopted on May 17, 2023, and received by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on June 1, 2023.

You will be notified when I take further steps under the *Planning Act* in relation to this matter.

Sincerely,

Steve Clark Minister



Interoffice Memorandum

Date: July 7, 2023

To: Health & Social Services Committee

From: Dr. Robert Kyle

Health Department

Subject: Health Information Update – July 2, 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.

You may also wish to browse the online Health Department Reference Manual available at Board of Health Manual, which is continually updated.

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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

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UPDATES FOR HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE July 2, 2023

<u>Health Department Media Releases/Publications</u> tinyurl.com/4skmepit

2023 Health Plan (Jun 16)

tinyurl.com/4bhhusrc

Durham Region Weekly Beach Report (Jun 22)

tinyurl.com/4uvt924f

Durham Region Opioid Response Plan Status Report (Jun 27)

tinyurl.com/bdh969wy

• Durham Region Weekly Beach Report (Jun 29)

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

Department of Finance Canada

tinyurl.com/4eynw4d8

• Legislation focused on a strong middle, class, affordable economy, and healthy future receives Royal Assent (Jun 23)

Employment and Social Development Canada

tinyurl.com/5a2hjrad

Landmark Canada Disability Benefit legislation receives Royal Assent (Jun 23)

Environment and Climate Change Canada

tinyurl.com/3trpv8xa

 Environment and Climate Change Canada presents the 2023 summer weather outlook (Jun 20)

tinvurl.com/2xtxt7es

 Plan, prepare, act: Government of Canada launches first National Adaptation Strategy (Jun 27)

tinyurl.com/3thbuwfu

 Statement – Clean Fuel Regulations: Recap of June 2023 media technical briefing (Jun 30)

Health Canada

tinyurl.com/3wmfsmja

Public Health Update on the Health Effects of Wildfires (Jun 19)

tinvurl.com/42h6te7p

 Government of Canada moves forward on commitments to strengthen the pesticide review process (Jun 20)

tinyurl.com/287tfbe9

 Government of Canada announces Vaping Products Reporting Regulations (Jun 21)

tinyurl.com/45yvc2su

 Message from the Minister of Health and the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and Associate Minister of Health on National Indigenous Peoples Day (Jun 21)

tinyurl.com/2p9c65zp

 Government of Canada highlights \$1.9 million investment to help address harms related to substance use in Ottawa, Ontario (Jun 22)

tinyurl.com/57vskcp3

 Legislation to further protect the health of firefighters receives Royal Assent (Jun 26)

tinyurl.com/5h4r9m5p

 Health Canada Announces the End of Cosmetic Animal Testing in Canada (Jun 27)

tinyurl.com/33f7az47

 Second benefit period of the Canada Dental Benefit applications will open July 1 (Jun 29)

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada tinyurl.com/y23vrfd2

Canada announces new immigration stream specific to health workers (Jun 28)

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada tinyurl.com/2p9462yt

 Government strengthens Canada's leadership role in medical isotope production (Jun 27)

Natural Resources Canada

tinyurl.com/3syz6aet

 Minister Wilkinson's Statement Regarding the Canada Energy Regulator's First Long-Term Outlook Modelling Net-Zero by 2050 in Canada (Jun 20)

Public Health Agency of Canada

tinyurl.com/m9kjb5tp

 Government of Canada announces new members to the Ministerial Advisory Board (MAB) on Dementia (Jun 20)

tinyurl.com/2fabktfm

 Federal, Provincial and Territorial Governments Jointly Release the Pan-Canadian Action Plan on AMR (Jun 22)

tinyurl.com/4t6hnnab

 Joint Statement from the Co-Chairs of the Special Advisory Committee on the Epidemic of Opioids Overdoses – Latest National Data on Substance-Related Harm (Jun 26)

tinyurl.com/53e5u3u2

• Statement from the Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and Associate Minister of Health on the Overdose Crisis (Jun 26)

tinyurl.com/3snwy2fx

 Government of Canada invests nearly \$1 million to support activities to address diabetes in Canada (Jun 26)

Public Services and Procurement Canada

tinyurl.com/4d5sumwb

• Government of Canada takes next step in procurement process for long-term Canadian Dental Care Plan (Jun 21)

GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO

Ministry of Health

tinyurl.com/2tx55tzm

Ontario First in Canada to Provide Coverage for New ALS Treatment (Jun 28)

tinyurl.com/bdhmtmpr

Ontario Helping More Students Become Paramedics (Jun 29)

Premier's Office

tinyurl.com/mpw372wp

Regulations and Statutes to Build Ontario (Jun 30)

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

<u>Association of Canadian Advertisers</u>

tinyurl.com/y4swrhyu

New restrictions of Food Advertising Directed at Children Effective 28 (Jun 27)

Canada Energy Regulator

tinyurl.com/269m9hcc

 Canada Energy Regulator projects a major transformation to Canada's energy system in a net-zero world (Jun 20)

Canadian Climate Institute

tinyurl.com/36mcpc5t

• Canadians will save money switching to clean electricity, research finds (Jun 22)

Canadian Institutes of Health Research

tinyurl.com/yjfkt7ha

• Government of Canada invests nearly \$3 million to study the potential benefits of psilocybin-assisted psychotherapy (Jun 29)

Lakeridge Health

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 Lakeridge Health Introduces New Streamlined Referral Model to Simplify Access to Mental Health and Addictions Services (Jun 20)

tinyurl.com/4e92fsap

 Lakeridge Health Celebrates a Year of Partnerships and Progress at 2023 Annual General Meeting (Jun 23)

Office of the Auditor General of Ontario

tinyurl.com/48k46c7r

 Government Decision-Making and Transparency Hampered by Inconsistent and Incomplete Performance Management, Program Evaluation and Reporting: Auditor General (Jun 20)

Office of the Information Commissioner of Canada

tinyurl.com/3vazja2j

 Commissioner Welcomes Parliamentary Committee's Report on Fixing Access to Information (Jun 22)

Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada

tinyurl.com/3v9y2ct4

 Privacy Commissioner's Special Report on pandemic-related investigations tabled in Parliament (May 30)

tinyurl.com/ys6xrzyn

 Canadians less confident that their privacy rights are being respected: poll (Jun 14)

Ontario Power Generation

tinyurl.com/yck6vn79

• OPG and Bruce Power collaborate on clean energy future (Jun 29)

Patented Medicine Prices Review Board

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Simon Gill, Director, Economic Development and Tourism Region of Durham

Via Email: simon.gill@durham.ca

To Simon Gill:

Re: Regional Physician Recruitment Request

File Number: PG.25.06

At a meeting held on June 26, 2023, the Council of the Municipality of Clarington approved the following Resolution #JC-072-23:

That Report <u>FSD-028-23</u> and any related delegations or communication items, be received;

That Council approves the use of \$20,000 from the Economic Development Reserve Fund, as budgeted in the 2023 budget, to be sent to the Region of Durham for physician recruitment; and

That all interested parties listed in Report FSD-028-23, and any delegations be advised of Council's decision.

Yours truly,

John Paul Newman

Deputy Clerk

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c: See Attached List of Interested Parties

Interested Parties List

Alexander Harras, Regional Clerk, Region of Durham

Nicole Cooper, Director of Legislative and Information Services, Town of Ajax

Fernando Lamanna, Clerk/Deputy CAO, Township of Brock

Mary Medeiros, Clerk, City of Oshawa

Susan Cassel, Clerk, City of Pickering

Becky Jamieson, Clerk, Township of Scugog

Sheila Hall, Executive Director, Clarington Board of Trade

Dr. Anthony Stone

- A. Poray, Economic Development Manager
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- T. Pinn, Deputy CAO/Treasurer



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Re: Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Resolution concerning Municipal Growth Framework

Oshawa City Council adopted the following resolution at its meeting of June 26, 2023:

"Whereas the Province of Ontario has indicated that it will be assigning provincial representatives to review the operations and future of the Regional Municipality of Durham, and

Whereas this review may lead to the dissolution of the Region of Durham or the amalgamation of the current member municipalities into a new City of Durham, and that either option could have detrimental impacts of services to the residents of Oshawa and Durham, and

Whereas similar plans imposed by the Province in communities such as the City of Toronto, have led to increased costs and taxation levels, and

Whereas these actions have not been requested by the Region of Durham, the City of Oshawa, and our fellow member municipalities in Durham.

Be it resolved:

That the City of Oshawa does not support any actions that would impact the boundaries or status of the City of Oshawa without the consent of the Council of the City of Oshawa following a public consultation with the residents of the City of Oshawa including a formal referendum voted on by the residents of Oshawa prior to any decision; and,

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That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Region of Durham, all members municipalities and school boards located in Durham Region, to all MPs and MPPs based in the Region of Durham, to the Premier and Opposition Leaders of the Province of Ontario, to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and to any other bodies deemed by Oshawa staff."

If you need further assistance concerning the above matter, please contact me at the address listed below or by telephone at 905-436-3311.

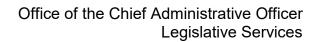
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Director, Legislative Services/City Clerk

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c: Office of the C.A.O.

Regional Municipality of Durham
All Durham Regional Municipalities
All School Boards within Durham Region
Durham MPs
Durham MPPs
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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Re: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's Housing Accelerator Fund

Oshawa City Council considered the above matter at its meeting of June 26, 2023 and adopted the following recommendation of the Economic and Development Services Committee:

- 1. That, pursuant to Report CNCL-23-69 dated June 21, 2023, the Chief Administrative Officer and/or their delegate be authorized to submit an application to the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's Housing Accelerator Fund under the Large/Urban stream generally in accordance with said Report, along with any additional documentation as may be required; and,
- 2. That, pursuant to Report CNCL-23-69 dated June 21, 2023, in order to pre-position the City such that it may take advantage of the potential funding being offered under the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's Housing Accelerator Fund, City Council approve in principle the list of potential City initiatives to include in the City's Action Plan, as generally contained in Attachment 2 of said Report, as a requirement of the City's application to the Fund under the Large/Urban stream; and,
- 3. That, pursuant to Report CNCL-23-69 dated June 21, 2023, the Chief Administrative Officer and/or their delegate be authorized to make changes as required and at their discretion to said list of City initiatives prior to the City's submission, where considered appropriate at their discretion; and,
- 4. That, pursuant to Report CNCL-23-69 dated June 21, 2023, City Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer and/or their delegate to enter into any necessary agreements that may be required should the City of Oshawa be approved for funding under the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's Housing Accelerator Fund program; and,

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- 5. That City Council direct the Commissioner, Economic and Development Services Department to report back and provide an update to the Economic and Development Services Committee and Council in the event the City is selected to participate in the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's Housing Accelerator Fund program; and,
- 6. That staff be authorized to forward a copy of Report CNCL-23-69 dated June 21, 2023 to the Region of Durham.

A copy of Report CNCL-23-69 is attached for your information.

If you need further assistance concerning the above matter, please contact Warren Munro, Commissioner, Economic and Development Services Department at the address listed below or by telephone at 905-436-3311.

Mary Medeiros

Director, Legislative Services/City Clerk

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Attachment

c: Economic and Development Services Department





To: Council in Committee of the Whole

From: Warren Munro, HBA, MCIP, RRP, Commissioner,

Economic and Development Services Department

Report Number: CNCL-23-69

Date of Report: June 21, 2023

Date of Meeting: June 26, 2023

Subject: Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's Housing

Accelerator Fund

Ward: All Wards

File: 12-04-2111

1.0 Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to obtain Council authorization for City staff to submit an application, on behalf of the Corporation of the City of Oshawa (the "City"), to the Housing Accelerator Fund ("H.A.F.") program administered by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation ("C.M.H.C.").

The H.A.F. is a recently formed federal program that provides incentive funding that may be available to local governments seeking to pursue initiatives aimed at increasing housing supply. It also supports the development of complete, low-carbon and climate-resilient communities that are affordable, inclusive, equitable and diverse. The objective of the H.A.F. is to accelerate the supply of housing across Canada, resulting in putting permissions in place for the construction of at least 100,000 more housing units than would have occurred without the program.

Local governments within Canada who have delegated authority over land use planning and development approvals are eligible to apply to the H.A.F. It is anticipated that the online application portal will open sometime in summer 2023 for the intake of applications over an approximate 45 day period. As a result, it is appropriate to seek Council authorization to apply to the H.A.F. in advance of the launch of the online application portal, as this will give staff time to prepare the comprehensive application package. A local government's application to the H.A.F. also requires Council approval, which must be obtained in advance of an H.A.F. application.

Additional information on the H.A.F. can be found at the following link: https://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/professionals/project-funding-and-mortgage-financing/funding-programs/all-funding-programs/housing-accelerator-fund.

Attachment 1 is a copy of the H.A.F. Pre-application Reference Material document. Owing to its size, this document is not attached but rather can be viewed at the following link: https://assets.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/sites/cmhc/professional/project-funding-and-mortgage-financing/funding-programs/all-funding-programs/housing-accelerator-fund/haf-pre-appplication-reference-guide-en.pdf.

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Attachment 2 is a list of potential initiatives that may be included as part of the City's action plan, as required by the H.A.F. application.

2.0 Recommendation

It is recommended to City Council:

- That, pursuant to Report CNCL-23-69 dated June 21, 2023, the Chief Administrative
 Officer and/or their delegate be authorized to submit an application to the Canada
 Mortgage and Housing Corporation's Housing Accelerator Fund under the Large/Urban
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- 6. That staff be authorized to forward a copy of Report CNCL-23-69 dated June 21, 2023 to the Region of Durham.

3.0 Executive Summary

Not applicable.

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4.0 Input From Other Sources

The following have been consulted in the preparation of this Report:

- Chief Administrative Officer
- Commissioner, Corporate and Finance Services
- City Solicitor
- Region of Durham

5.0 Analysis

5.1 Housing Accelerator Fund

As part of the 2022 Federal Budget, the Government of Canada announced \$4 billion in new funding to create the H.A.F., a program intended to grow the annual housing supply across the country by providing incentive funding to local governments.

The primary objectives of the H.A.F. are to increase housing supply at an accelerated pace and enhance certainty in the approvals and building process, while also supporting the following priorities:

- Supporting the development of complete communities that are walkable, consisting of appropriate residential density and a diverse mix of land uses, providing access to a wide variety of amenities and services through public and active transportation;
- Supporting the development of affordable, inclusive, equitable and diverse communities that encourage clear pathways to achieving greater socio-economic inclusion largely achieved through the equitable provision of housing across the entire housing spectrum; and,
- Supporting the development of low-carbon and climate-resilient communities.

Local governments in Canada with delegated authority over land use planning and development approvals can submit applications via the two available streams of the H.A.F. program:

- Large/Urban: Those jurisdictions located anywhere in Canada with a population equal to or greater than 10,000, excluding those within a territory or an Indigenous community.
- 2. Small/Rural/North/Indigenous: Those jurisdictions located anywhere in Canada with a population less than 10,000 or within one of the territories or an Indigenous community.

If Council approves of the recommendations in this Report, the City would apply via the Large/Urban stream of the H.A.F. program.

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5.2 **Minimum Requirements**

To be eligible for funding, the City must:

 develop an action plan, which includes a minimum of seven (7) initiatives that the City will undertake to achieve its housing supply growth target (additional details on the housing supply growth target are provided below in Section 5.3 of this Report);

- commit to the housing supply growth targets that are identified in the above-noted action plan;
- complete or update a housing needs assessment report and include a reoccurring scheduled review date within the report to ensure that the housing needs assessment is kept current; and,
- submit periodic reports to C.M.H.C. reporting on the initiatives and commitments within the action plan, permit data for residential buildings, and details on how the H.A.F. funding was used.

As well, the City must submit the following minimum documentation in support of its application, if authorized to do so by Council:

- Completed application form, including the action plan;
- Signed integrity declaration:
- Most recent audited financial statements (if not available publically);
- Current housing needs assessment report (if available at the time of the application): and.
- Attestation letter signed by the City's Chief Financial Officer (or equivalent).

5.3 **Action Plan**

The City must submit an action plan as part of its application, which will assist C.M.H.C. in selecting applicants.

As part of the City's action plan, the City is required to identify and commit to a housing supply growth target. Specifically, the City must identify:

- the total number of permitted housing units projected without H.A.F. funding based on a three-year period ending September 1, 2026; and,
- the total number of permitted housing units projected with H.A.F. funding based on a three-year period ending September 1, 2026. This is what is referred to as the "housing supply growth target."

The City is also able to set targets based on the type of housing supply that is projected to be permitted with the support afforded by the H.A.F. program. These additional targets will increase the amount of funding available to the City, if selected. The targets can be set for housing types that align with the priorities of the H.A.F. program, which include:

multi-unit housing (in proximity to rapid transit);

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- multi-unit housing (missing middle);
- multi-unit housing (other); and,
- affordable housing units.

The City's action plan must also include a minimum of seven initiatives that will help the City reach the housing supply growth target it has committed to achieving, as well as any additional targets. These initiatives should be new initiatives that have not yet started. However, C.M.H.C. may be willing to consider initiatives that started after the 2022 federal budget (April 7, 2022), which announced the H.A.F. Ultimately, the City must indicate how each initiative will increase the supply of housing and associated timelines, as well as any other expected results.

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5.4 Evaluation

C.M.H.C. will review all applications to determine if they meet the requirements of the H.A.F. The evaluation of the City's application will be scored according to the following criteria:

- The commitment to increase housing supply;
- The relevance of the initiative outcome(s) to one or more of the objectives of the H.A.F.:
- The effectiveness of the initiative on increasing the supply of housing; and,
- The need for increased housing supply.

The Region of Durham has completed a Housing Needs Assessment as a component of its Envision Durham Municipal Comprehensive Review, which can be used to assist the City's application under the H.A.F. program.

Proposed initiatives within the City's action plan will specifically be assessed and scored based on:

- implementation: the time it will take to complete the initiative;
- timeliness: the time it will take to start to achieve additional permitted uses as a result of the initiative;
- supply impact: the extent to which the initiative will improve housing and community outcomes; and,
- system impact: the extent to which the initiative increases stability and predictability in the housing system.

Further details on the evaluation criteria can be found in Attachment 1.

5.5 Funding Methodology

For those applicants selected to participate in the H.A.F. program, a funding framework will be used to determine the amount of funding per successful applicant. The funding is designed to support the costs associated with the initiatives listed in the action plan, as well as any other permitted use of funds.

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The funding framework consists of three components which are outlined below.

 Base funding: This is designed to provide an incentive to all types of housing supply across the housing spectrum. Base funding is estimated at \$20,000 for each dwelling unit created with the support of H.A.F.

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- Top-up funding: This is designed to provide an incentive to certain types of housing supply. Top up funding will depend on the type of housing and the associated projected increase in the number of permitted units. No top up funding is available for single detached homes.
- Affordable housing: This is a bonus designed to reward an applicant who can increase its share of affordable housing units relative to the total projected units in the development.

Specific examples of the various funding components can be found in Attachment 1.

H.A.F. funding can be used in support of housing under any of the following four (4) categories:

- 1. Investments in H.A.F. action plans (e.g. any initiative included in the City's action plan and approved by C.M.H.C.);
- 2. Investments in affordable housing (e.g. construction or land/building acquisition of affordable housing);
- 3. Investments in housing-related infrastructure (e.g. infrastructure that supports housing, brownfield redevelopment, broadband and connectivity, public transit, etc.); and,
- 4. Investments in community-related infrastructure that supports housing (e.g. local roads and bridges, active transportation, fire halls, parks and green space, etc.).

The City will be asked to estimate how much of their funding will be allocated to each category as part of its application. If approved, the City must report on how the funding was used in the form and timelines prescribed by C.M.H.C.

5.6 Reporting

If selected for participation in the H.A.F., the City would be required to adhere to specific reporting requirements, which include, but are not limited to:

- progress on the initiatives and commitments outlined in the City's action plan (e.g. start
 and completion date of each initiative, status, rationale for the status, number of new
 net units permitted for residential buildings during the reporting period, etc.);
- permit data for all housing units created during the reporting period; and,
- details on capital projects enabled by H.A.F. funding.

There would be a total of four (4) advances (i.e. funding given to the City), with one advance planned for each year of the program, as well as one up-front advance provided, which is intended to enable a proponent to start the initiatives outlined in their action plan and to pursue other investments in housing.

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C.M.H.C. has advised that it will work with proponents to address situations where achievement of the action plan and initiatives are delayed or not progressing as planned. If satisfactory arrangements to rectify the situation are not implemented, then C.M.H.C. may reduce or withhold payment of further advances.

All reporting requirements would be outlined in a contribution agreement, which the City would have to enter into with C.M.H.C., if selected.

5.7 Action Plan Initiatives

As noted above in Section 5.3 of this Report, the City's action plan must include a minimum of seven initiatives that will help the City achieve its committed housing supply growth target and any additional targets.

A number of potential City initiatives that may form part of the City's action plan are outlined below and further described in Attachment 2. This list includes a broad range of initiatives that will not only directly increase housing supply but will also generally support improvements to the broader housing system.

Staff note that the language contained in the Recommendation in Section 2.0 of this Report would enable this list to be updated/revised as necessary, although the final list of initiatives will be determined prior to the submission of the H.A.F. application. The potential City initiatives include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Promoting/enabling higher density development within the Central Oshawa Major Transit Station Area ("M.T.S.A.").
- 2. Promoting increased housing density through more accessory apartments.
- 3. Supporting the provision of greater housing density in strategic growth areas through the preparation of an intensification study.
- 4. Redevelopment of City-owned lands for increased densities in strategic growth areas.
- 5. Enabling higher density development within the Downtown Oshawa Urban Growth Centre.
- 6. Investigating the feasibility of implementing a vacant development land tax.
- Supporting pre-development work for development applications by preparing Terms of References for standard studies required as part of the development application process.
- 8. Offering the use of surplus City-owned land for housing projects.

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- 9. Supporting the Region of Durham's 10-Year Capital Plan.
- 10. Supporting the City's 9-Year Capital Plan.
- 11. Advancing the housing action items in Plan 20Thirty for Downtown Oshawa.
- 12. Reviewing the City's suite of Community Improvement Plans to review opportunities to address the "missing middle".

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5.8 Next Steps

The next steps with respect to the H.A.F. program are as follows:

- In the event Council adopts the recommendation in this Report, the appropriate City staff would prepare the application package, including all required information.
- Staff would apply to the H.A.F. once the online application portal opens.
- C.M.H.C. will advise if the City is selected (anticipated sometime in Summer/Fall 2023).
- To position the City to have appropriate staff in the event the C.M.H.C. selects the City to participate in the H.A.F. program, staff would identify through the 2024 budget process the appropriate new staffing positions required to undertake the proposed City initiatives. In the event the City is not selected by C.M.H.C. to participate in the H.A.F. program, the new staffing positions could be removed in advance of Council concluding on the 2024 budget.
- If selected, C.M.H.C. would confirm the total amount of funding available to the City and the City would enter into a contribution agreement, and any other necessary agreements.
- City staff would begin to undertake the various initiatives as identified in the City's action plan, while reporting to C.M.H.C. as required.

In the event that the City is selected to participate in the H.A.F. program, Economic and Development Services staff will report back to the Economic and Development Services Committee and City Council to provide an update and obtain any further approvals should they be required.

6.0 Financial Implications

Specific budget implications will be determined once the initiatives to put forward in the City's application are finalized, should staff be authorized by Council to apply to the H.A.F. It is anticipated that the majority of the costs associated with the implementation of the City initiatives being proposed in Attachment 2 will be related to staffing. Additional staffing is required in the 2024 budget to advance these initiatives otherwise it will require the time resources of the existing staff complement and, as a result, potentially cause the processing of other non-related projects to be protracted.

It is important to note that there are many factors that can impact growth and the issuance of building permits, many of which are outside the control of the City. If selected, and the City fails to achieve certain initiatives identified in its action plan and does not meet the required target, there is a risk that some of the H.A.F. funding may be withheld or reduced.

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7.0 Relationship to the Oshawa Strategic Plan

The Recommendation advances the Economic Prosperity and Financial Stewardship, Accountable Leadership, and Social Equity goals of the Oshawa Strategic Plan.

Tom Goodeve, M.Sc.Pl., MCIP, RRP, Director,

Planning Services

Warren Munro, HBA, MCIP, RRP, Commissioner, Economic and Development Services Department

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Potential City Initiatives to include in the City's Action Plan for the H.A.F.

Initiative		Description	Alignment with H.A.F. Objectives and Priorities	Potential Timing
1.	Promoting/enabling higher density development within the Central Oshawa Major Transit Station Area (M.T.S.A.)	This initiative will advance appropriate development and intensification in the Central Oshawa M.T.S.A., which is centered on the future Central Oshawa GO Station site located at 500 Howard Street and is bisected by the planned Simcoe Street rapid transit corridor. Staff will be reviewing and updating the zoning in this area, including addressing current restrictions on building height and density needed to support higher order transit.	This initiative will support the development of complete communities and increased densities and housing diversity specifically in proximity to planned rapid transit and heavy passenger rail.	Anticipated to begin in 2024, once the Integrated Major Transit Station Area for Central Oshawa Study is complete.
2.	Promoting increased housing density through encouraging more accessory apartments	Council recently adopted certain City- initiated amendments to the Zoning By- law to permit up to three residential units on a parcel of urban residential land containing a detached house, semi-detached house or street townhouse, one of which may be in an ancillary building or structure, as well as permitting accessory apartments in more types of dwellings and addressing such matters as parking requirements and size and setbacks of accessory buildings with accessory apartments.	This initiative will support greater housing diversity, will increase housing supply, and will assist the City in achieving greater socio-economic inclusion through offering more equitable provision of housing in Oshawa.	The by-laws related to this initiative were passed by Council on May 29, 2023.

Initiative		Description	Alignment with H.A.F. Objectives and Priorities	Potential Timing
3.	Supporting the provision of greater housing density in strategic growth areas through the preparation of an Intensification Study	This initiative will involve the completion of an Intensification Study that will focus on locating strategic growth areas in the City that are appropriate for increased density and greater housing diversity. This will also include a review and update of zoning standards in the identified strategic growth areas.	This initiative will support greater housing diversity, will increase housing supply, and will assist the City in achieving greater socio-economic inclusion through offering more equitable provision of housing in Oshawa.	Anticipated to begin in the 4 th quarter of 2023.
4.	Redevelopment of City-owned lands for increased densities in strategic growth areas	This initiative will involve staff advancing the redevelopment of certain City-owned lands, some of which are already underway, in strategic growth areas (e.g. in the Downtown Oshawa Urban Growth Centre and the Oshawa Harbour Special Development Area).	This initiative will support the development of diverse communities and a mix of land uses, while increasing the number of potential redevelopment projects in key strategic growth areas.	Anticipated to be advanced in 2023 and 2024.
5.	Enabling higher density development within the Downtown Oshawa Urban Growth Centre	This initiative will involve a review of the City's Zoning By-law and Official Plan to address current restrictions on maximum densities and building heights in the Downtown Oshawa Urban Growth Centre, which will reduce barriers to high-density development in this key growth area of the City.	This initiative will support increased housing development in the Downtown Oshawa Urban Growth Centre, which will support the development of complete communities that are walkable, consist of appropriate residential density and a diverse mix of land uses.	Anticipated to begin in 2024.
6.	Investigating the feasibility of implementing a vacant development land tax.	This initiative will enable Corporate and Finance Services staff to investigate the feasibility of implementing a vacant development land tax. If feasible and subsequently implemented, this tax would be specific to vacant development land sites (not vacant dwellings). The intent is to encourage developers who have a vacant	This initiative will support housing development and encourage the timely use of vacant, developable land to address supply needs, as well as will improve development predictability and stability in the City.	Anticipated to begin in the 4 th quarter of 2023.

Initiative		Description	Alignment with H.A.F. Objectives and Priorities	Potential Timing
		development site to move forward with that development.		
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surplus	ng the use of s City-owned or housing ts.	This initiative would involve City staff researching potential surplus Cityowned lands that can be used for housing projects and subsequently declaring appropriate City-owned land as surplus to municipal requirements to dispose of said lands.	This initiative will support increasing the provision of housing units, and will encourage the creation of inclusive, equitable and diverse communities.	Anticipated to begin in 2024.
9. Suppor Region Durhar Capital	n of m's 10-Year	This initiative would support the Region's ten-year capital plan being updated through the 2024 budget and planning processes to ensure that additional servicing requirements are planned and financed and reflect the additional units permitted through the new Regional Official Plan.	This initiative is long lasting by nature and will support both the Region and the City's potential to improve the broader housing system, while supporting the development of complete communities.	Anticipated to begin in 2024.
10. Suppor City's 9 Capital	9-Year	This initiative would support the City's nine-year capital plan being updated through the appropriate budget and	This initiative is long lasting by nature and will support the City's potential to improve the broader housing system,	Anticipated to begin in 2024.

Initiative	Description	Alignment with H.A.F. Objectives and Priorities	Potential Timing
	planning processes to ensure that additional capital requirements are planned and financed and reflect the additional units permitted through the City's participation in the C.M.H.C. H.A.F. program.	while supporting the development of complete communities.	
11. Advancing the housing action items in Plan 20Thirty for Downtown Oshawa.	This initiative will support the implementation of the housing initiatives related to residential growth and increasing housing supply in Downtown Oshawa.	This initiative will support the broader housing system in a key strategic growth area of the City (i.e. Downtown Oshawa).	Anticipated to be advanced in 2023 and 2024.
12. Reviewing the City's suite of Community Improvement Plans to review opportunities to address the "missing middle".	This initiative will involve staff reviewing the City's existing Community Improvement Plans to determine where improvements or revisions can be made.	This initiative will support the development of complete communities and will assist the City in achieving greater socio-economic inclusion through the potential to offer more financial incentives or tailored programs to encourage the development of the "missing middle".	Anticipated to be advanced in 2023 and 2024.



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July 4, 2023

The Honourable Charmaine Williams
Associate Minister, Women's Social & Economic Opportunity
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The Honourable Doug Downey Attorney General McMurtry-Scott Building 11th Floor 720 Bay St. Toronto, ON M7A 2S9 attorneygeneral@ontario.ca

Subject: Re: Recognizing the Intimate Partner Violence Epidemic

File: A-1400

The Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering considered the above matter at a Meeting held on June 26, 2023 and adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, intimate partner violence (IPV) is physical, sexual and emotional abuse and aggression that occurs in an intimate relationship;

And Whereas, on the morning of September 22, 2015, Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk and Nathalie Warmerdam were murdered by a former partner;

And Whereas, on June 28, 2022, a five-person jury established as part of a coroner's inquest into the events of September 22, 2015 delivered 86 recommendations;

And Whereas, specific legislation addressing family and domestic violence has been passed by six provinces and three territories; however, Ontario has not implemented this type of legislation;

And Whereas, the Violence Prevention Coordination Council of Durham (VPCC), which represents 35 local agencies including Luke's Place, Herizon House, and the Durham Rape Crisis Centre, reported a significant increase in demand for assistance from local IPV support providers on behalf of member Victim Services of Durham Region, with IPV victim support up 32% over four years and sexual violence victim support up 277% over four years;

And Whereas, the City of Ottawa, Renfrew & Lanark Counties, Towns of Ajax & Whitby, and the Region of Durham have passed motions declaring an IPV epidemic, and acknowledging the 86 recommendations in the Renfrew County Inquest;

Now therefore be it resolved, that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering:

- 1. Declare an IPV epidemic and call on the Ontario Government to do the same, as per recommendation #1 of the Renfrew County Inquest;
- 2. Integrate IPV into the City's Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, as per recommendation #10 of the Renfrew County Inquest; and,
- 3. That a copy of this motion be forwarded to all Durham MPPs, the Ministry of the Attorney General, the Ministry of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity, all lower tier Durham municipalities, Durham Regional Police Services Board, Renfrew County, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

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

Copy:

The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Member of Provincial Parliament, Pickering-

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July 5, 2023

The Honourable Steve Clark, M.P.P., Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Via Email:minister.mah@ontario.ca

Dear Minister Clark:

Re: Proposed Provincial Planning Statement and Bill 97 (Helping

Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023)

File Number: PG.25.06

At a meeting held on June 27, 2023, the Council of the Municipality of Clarington approved the following Resolution #C-116-23:

That <u>Report PDS-037-23</u>, and any related delegations or communication items, be received for information.

That Report PSD-037-23 be adopted as the Municipality of Clarington's comments to the Province on the proposed Provincial Planning Statement, 2023;

That a copy of Report PSD-037-23 and Council's decision be sent to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Region of Durham, conservation authority partners, and the other Durham Region area municipalities; and

That all interested parties listed in Report PSD-054-22 and any delegations be advised of Council's decision.

Yours truly,

John Paul Newman

Deputy Clerk

JPN/lp

c: See Attached List of Interested Parties

Interested Parties List

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Linda Gasser

Susan Cassel, City Clerk, City of Pickering

Nicole Cooper, Director of Legislative & Information Services, Town of Ajax

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June 26, 2023

The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1 Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

RE: Proposed New Provincial Policy Statement (PPS)

Corporate Services Department Legislative Services Division		
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Pleased be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Perth passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held May 15, 2023 in support of the resolution from the County of Prince Edward regarding the proposed new Provincial Policy Statement (PPS):

Moved by Councillor Rothwell Seconded by Councillor Johnston

THAT: The Council of the Municipality of North Perth supports the resolution received from the County of Prince Edward;

AND THAT: This resolution be sent to all municipalities in Ontario, the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Minister of Environment, Perth-Wellington MPP Matthew Rae, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

CARRIED

Attached please find a copy of the County of Prince Edward's resolution dated May 10, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me at lcline@northperth.ca.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Cline,

Clerk/Legislative Services Supervisor

Municipality of North Perth

CC.

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Hon. Lisa M. Thompson, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Hon. David Piccini, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Perth-Wellington MPP Matthew Rea Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) All Ontario Municipalities



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May 10, 2023

Please be advised that during the Regular Council meeting of May 9, 2023 the following resolution regarding the proposed new Provincial Planning Statement (PPS) was carried:

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-293

DATE: May 9, 2023

MOVED BY: Councillor Hirsch

SECONDED BY: Councillor MacNaughton

WHEREAS the goal of increasing housing supply and reducing barriers in planning processes as set out in the recent legislative, regulatory and policy changes, including new provisions from Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 is welcomed:

WHEREAS the proposed PPS (sections 2.6 and 4.3) would dramatically remove municipal power and renders aspects of the County's Official Plan, and other official plans throughout Ontario inoperative, terminating some local planning autonomy, and directly interfering with municipalities' ability to meet local variation and unique community needs;

WHEREAS the proposed PPS changes that would allow proliferation of lots with protection restricted to specialty crop areas only diminishes the purpose, uses, and integrity of rural and agricultural lands, thereby removing protection and restricting future uses of those lands;

WHEREAS the proposed PPS changes encourage sprawl and rural roadway strip development, rather than more fiscally and environmentally sustainable practices like intensification in established settlement areas; and

WHEREAS the province has announced changes will be proposed to natural heritage (section 4.1) that have yet to be published;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward urges the province to:

 pause proposed changes to the PPS, particularly regarding natural heritage (section 4.1) and agricultural lands (sections 2.6 and 4.3)



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reinvest trust in the local planning authority of all 444 municipalities, recognizing that each Ontario municipality has unique landscapes, different housing needs and differing visions for local planning matters;

THAT our fellow municipalities be urged to voice their concerns regarding the proposed undermining of local planning authority;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to all 444 municipalities, The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; The Hon. Lisa Thompson, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, The Hon. David Piccini, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Bay of Quinte MPP, Todd Smith, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus.

CARRIED

Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, CLERK

cc: Mayor Ferguson, Councillor Hirsch, Councillor MacNaughton & Marcia Wallace, CAO



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June 26, 2023

The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1 Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

RE: Proposed New Provincial Policy Statement (PPS)

Pleased be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Perth passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held June 5, 2023 regarding the proposed new Provincial Policy Statement (PPS):

Moved by Councillor Rothwell Seconded by Councillor Blazek

THAT: The Council of the Municipality of North Perth supports consent agenda items 3.3 Perth County Report – Perth County Comments on Proposed Provincial Policy Statement ERO Number 019-6813, 3.4 Perth County Report – Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023 and Draft Provincial Planning Statement April 6, 2023, and 3.17 United Counties of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry Resolution re: Proposed Changes to the PPS;

AND THAT: A copy of this resolution be sent to all 444 municipalities, The Hon. Doug Ford – Premier of Ontario, The Hon. Steve Clark – Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Hon. Lisa Thompson – Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, The Hon. David Piccini – Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Perth-Wellington MPP – Matthew Rae, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association.

CARRIED

Attached please find a copy of Perth County Reports – Comments on Proposed Provincial Policy Statement ERO Number 019-6813 and Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023) and Draft Provincial Planning Statement, April 6, 2023, and United Counties of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry Resolution, dated May 15, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me at lcline@northperth.ca.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Cline,

Clerk/Legislative Services Supervisor

Municipality of North Perth

CC.

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Hon. Lisa M. Thompson, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Hon. David Piccini, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and

Parks Perth-Wellington MPP Matthew Rea

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To: Warden Ehgoetz and Members of Council

Meeting Date: June 1, 2023

Prepared By:

Subject: Perth County Comments on Proposed Provincial Policy

Statement ERO Number 019-6813

Recommended Action:

THAT Council receives the "Perth County Comments on Proposed Provincial Policy Statement ERO Number 019-6813" report; and

THAT Council direct staff to submit the attached letter to ERO posting number 019-6813 prior to end of day June 5, 2023.

Background Information:

As per Council's resolution on May 18, 2023 staff are providing a draft letter for their review at the June 1, 2023 Council meeting regarding changes proposed by the province to planning policy. It is proposed that the attached letter be submitted to ERO posting number 019-6813 by planning staff prior to end of day June 5th, 2023.

Connection to Strategic Plan:

Goal 1 - Growth & Economic Development

Goal 2 – Regionalization & Service Effectiveness

Goal 3 - Customer Service Excellence

Goal 4 - Community Development & Planning

Attachments:

draft PPS comments 2023

Reviewed By:

Lori Wolfe, CAO



To: Warden Ehgoetz and Members of Council

Meeting Date: May 18, 2023

Prepared By: Sally McMullen, Manager of Planning Services

Subject: Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023)

and Draft Provincial Planning Statement, April 6, 2023.

Recommended Action:

THAT Council receives the "Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023) and Draft Provincial Planning Statement, April 6, 2023." report; and

THAT Council direct staff to submit comments to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on the Proposed changes to the Provincial Planning Statement, 2023 as outlined in the Comments Section of this report; and

THAT the report be circulated to the Lower Tier Municipalities within Perth County for information.

Executive Summary:

Proposed Changes to the Planning Act through Bill 97 and to the Provincial Policy Statement represent a significant change in policy-led land use planning for the Province of Ontario. This report summarizes the Bill 97 and the Provincial Planning Statement changes that are most relevant to Perth County. The report recommends comments for Perth County Council to submit to the ERO posting which closes on June 6, 2023.

Staff have participated in the development of comments being submitted by the Western Ontario Warden's Caucus and the County Planning Directors Group.

Background Information:

On Thursday April 6, 2023, the Ontario Government introduced Bill 97 including changes to the Planning Act, revoked the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS, 2020) and introduced the Proposed Provincial Planning Statement (PPPS) which is a singular document to replace the former PPS and the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (2019). These changes are part of an ongoing set of revisions to implement the Ontario Government's "More Homes, More Choice Housing Supply Action Plan".

The PPS can be viewed at the ERO posting (#019-6813) at the following link: https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-6813

The posting remains open until June 6, 2023 for comment, which is a 60-day commenting period. Indications are that the Province is looking to implement a final version of the PPS in the fall of 2023.

Planning authorities will not be required to update their OPs immediately. The 'Approach to Implementation' states that the new policies will be implemented at the time of the next Official Plan (OP) review, and through any planning decisions made following the in-effect date (which is still to be determined). Bill 97 may come into effect sooner.

Bill 97

The Bill proposes amendments to 7 different Provincial Acts including the Building Code Act, Development Charges Act, Municipal Act and Planning Act which are most notable from a municipal government perspective. The Planning Act changes are summarized as follows:

- 1. Area of Employment: Re-defining employment areas to specifically exclude commercial and institutional uses in favour of strictly including manufacturing, warehousing and uses related to the movement of goods as well as any accessory or related uses. Requiring that if a municipality wishes to protect uses currently located in Employment Areas that do not fit the new definition it will need to amend its OP to specifically allow the use to continue.
- 2. Transitional Matters: Bill 97 gives the Minister authority to make regulations about when new policy presumably the PPS would have an effect on planning applications in progress. Traditionally such a date is known well in advance and the intake of applications tends to slow prior to the effective date and the transition to new rules takes place with relatively few active files. Applications that are unfolding at the time the effective date is known will need to be re-evaluated to some degree.
- 3. Refunding application fees for zoning bylaw amendments and site plan control applications is further amended in the Planning Act (from Bill 109 in 2022). The refunding will now apply to applications received after July 1, 2023. There is also a proposal to exempt certain municipalities from this requirement but it is unclear which municipalities will be prescribed.
- 4. Orders by the Minister under Section 47 of the Planning Act (MZO) will be given expanded power to disregard policy statements. In addition, powers

will include the ability to impose agreements on developers and municipalities when a Provincial Land Development Facilitator (a new role that came into being in 2020) is engaged in the process. An MZO cannot be appealed. The Facilitator helps resolve planning and development issues either as an impartial mediator or negotiator on behalf of the Province.

- 5. Additional Residential Units references to a "parcel of urban residential land" have been replaced by a "parcel of land" so as to permit a second residential unit (for a total of 3 units per lot primary and two accessory units) on parcels in and out of urban or serviced areas. In other words, a third unit would be permitted on lots that permit residential uses in villages, hamlets and on farms.
- 6. Site Plan Control would be reinstated for developments of 10 residential units or less that are within 120m of a shoreline or 300m of a rail line. Site Plan Control Bylaws need to be updated for each lower tier to reflect changes made by Bill 23 and Bill 97.
- 7. Clarification is provided by the Bill regarding parking spaces for additional residential units, more specifically that municipalities could not require more than one parking space per unit as introduced in Bill 23. It is now clear that the restriction on municipalities does not apply to the primary dwelling, only the additional residential units.

Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

The PPS was last updated in 2020 following intensive consultation and in 2014 prior to that. While many areas of the PPS are proposed to remain, there is a considerable amount of change. Not all sections of the new policy directions have been released yet for comment as the Natural Heritage Policies are still under review. The policies as they are proposed to date are summarized here:

- 1. Lot Creation in the Agricultural Area Residential lot creation has traditionally been discouraged or prohibited except for surplus farm dwelling severances. It is now proposed to be expanded in a significant way. The new PPS would allow up to three residential lots to be created by Section 4.3.3 from farm lots existing on January 1, 2023 provided that:
 - a. Agriculture is the principal use of the existing lot
 - The residential uses are compatible with and not hinder surrounding agricultural operations
 - c. The new lots are:
 - Not in specialty crop areas there aren't currently any specialty crop areas in Perth County.

- ii. Comply with Minimum Separation Distances this offers protection for existing livestock operations and additional residences will introduce new restrictions for locating new livestock operations.
- iii. Are limited to the minimum size needed to accommodate the use including water and septic by putting additional private wells and septic systems in proximity to each other the minimum lot size will need to be larger as determined by the site specific soil and groundwater circumstances.
- iv. Has access to a public road this will require that new non-farm residential lots front roadways. This will have the effect of pushing livestock operations further back into farm lots. Locating new livestock housing back from roads is more expensive for farmers to put in laneways, hydro service, water services etc. and reduces the efficient use of agricultural land.
- v. Is adjacent to existing non-ag land uses or is primarily on lower priority agricultural lands –the Canadian Soil Classification System places all Perth County Soils in Class 1 2 or 3. Further research could be done to further analyze soil types in Perth County to identify any lower priority ag lands (Class 4 through 7).

There is a discussion in the planning community as to whether the policy allows three new lots or a total of three lots including the retained farm parcel. This remains uncertain at this time.

The proposed policy raises the question of will municipalities be able to adequately evaluate the potential impact of non-farm residential development on agricultural operations? And if they do will today's context be enough to prevent hindering future agricultural operations? Generally speaking more people without an agricultural background who moving to the countryside will increase conflict related to normal farm practices (odour, dust, pesticide use, flies, farm equipment, etc). This will make it ever more challenging for farmers to conduct their normal farm practices on a day to day basis.

The second important question is 'what adjacent non-farm uses' are being considered and what exactly will the County require to demonstrate 'lower priority ag lands' in order to satisfy the 5th criteria?

The new PPS does not allow municipalities to put provisions in their OP or zoning bylaws that are more restrictive than Section 4.3.3.1 listed above, but perhaps some control can be sought through the interpretation of 'adjacent non-farm uses' and 'lower priority ag lands' in the context of Perth County's highly productive farmland.

Perth County has been developing a growth plan for the New OP that accommodates the projected population growth for the next 25 years as directed by the 2020 PPS. The Watson and Associates Land Needs Assessment presented to Council on April 6, 2023 calculates that there will be demand for 290 new households per year for the next 25 years and that 238 hectares is needed in addition to our current inventory to accommodate that growth on public water and sanitary servicing.

Presumably demand for 290 households a year (as forecast by the 2023 Watson and Associate calculations) will largely be accommodated in the settlement areas but there will be interest in severing residential lots from farms and it is quite hard to estimate the impact of that in hectares or in the number of potential lots. It is an approximation, but assuming 1 hectare per new lot it is far less efficient land use than in serviced areas and comes with the addition of serious consequences for livestock farming and farming in general for Perth County farm operations.

Some other municipalities are simply taking the number of farm parcels and multiplying by 3 to get some scope on the issue. In Perth County that would be 8,080 farm parcels, with three new lots each being 24,240 lots at 1 ha each so the equivalent number of hectares. More realistically you would have to remove the lots that are smaller than 2 ha to begin with and consider the MDS calculations for all the existing livestock operations in order to have clarity about the long-term potential impact of the lot creation policies proposed by the new PPS in the County. What is easier to envision is that in each concession block there is probably 2 or 3 farm lots that could potentially meet the MDS criteria for new lot creation. Putting three new dwellings, plus any additional dwelling units on each new lot effectively sterilizes the block from having any new livestock operations and introduces upwards of 9 new lots and potential for 27 new dwelling units in that block at a maximum density of only 3 units per hectare if the soils are proven to be capable of dealing with the effluent from weeping beds, otherwise the units per hectare is further decreased.

2. Comprehensive Review and Settlement Boundary Expansions – The draft 2023PPS removes reference to a Comprehensive Review and instead allows for settlement boundary expansions, employment land conversions and the removal of Prime Agricultural Lands through an OP Amendment at any time. The Comprehensive Review has been a PPS requirement since 2005. The tests to be applied at the time of an OP Amendment are not as stringent as they were, but would still require consideration of adequate servicing, phased progression of urban development, and impacts on agriculture including minimum distance separation through an Agricultural Impact Assessment.

These changes allow greater flexibility to manage settlement areas and consider changes in a more streamlined process. It requires greater intention and care from the municipalities to continue to focus the majority of growth to fully serviced areas while giving some flexibility for villages and hamlets.

- 3. Growth projections and land needs assessment remain critical tools for managing and planning for growth. The new PPS intends that municipalities continue to plan for and provide sufficient land to accommodate growth for at least 25-years instead of "up to" 25 years. Intensification targets would no longer be required while density targets are needed. County staff will need to consider revisions to the draft New OP in this regard and reevaluate minimum density targets to include in the growth management policies.
- 4. References to affordability have been removed and replaced with 'housing options' which is a direction to incorporate a greater variety of dwelling types as well as variety in ownership and rental models. It is implied that greater 'housing options' is a suitable means to address affordability.
- 5. Employment Areas are being more strictly preserved for core industrial uses and prohibiting any mixing of commercial, recreational or institutional uses. Language continues to be present to ensure Planning Authorities are giving compatibility between employment uses and sensitive land uses adequate due diligence. While the policies are not specific about how employment areas should be updated it offers that at least a 25-year land supply is needed and planning for employment areas may go beyond this timeline. In addition, the conversion of employment lands for other uses would become easier without the requirement for a comprehensive review. The new PPS provides tests related to minimizing impacts on employment uses, adequate infrastructure and servicing for the proposed use and an identified need for the removal of the land over that of the need for the employment use.
- The Natural Heritage (Natural Environment) policies and related definitions are still under consideration by the government and there are no indications what changes might be proposed or when they will be available for comment.

Proposed Comments regarding Bill 97 (Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023) and Draft Provincial Planning Statement, April 6, 2023 to be sent to the Province:

Bill 97

1. Perth County is finalizing a draft new Official Plan (OP) prior to public engagement scheduled for later this year. The new OP provides many necessary updates in policy to accommodate growth, improve housing options and protect the agricultural, aggregate and natural environment resources. Much effort and many resources have been put into development of an OP that meets the needs of our community and thoughtfully plans for growth. The additional MZO powers proposed to be afforded to the Minister lack transparency and do not give sufficient certainty to the municipality or the public.

Perth County requests that the new additional MZO powers be removed to ensure municipal planning authorities have the tools needed to right size the settlement areas, effectively plan for infrastructure, and protect our agricultural land base.

2. Additional Residential Units on farms is an opportunity for affordable housing and for farm families to accommodate multiple generations on the farm within a minimum size footprint. **Perth County supports this direction.**

Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

1. Perth County is actively planning the accommodation of projected population growth and housing demand with clear intention to direct for that growth into settlement areas. Settlement areas are where complete communities are provided for the greatest amount of people and the most efficient use of land can be achieved. It is of upmost importance to Perth County to preserve highly productive farmland for food production and protect the limited natural heritage and aggregate resources found here.

The proposed Agricultural lot creation policies allowing the creation of three lots from a farm parcel undermines the growth management efforts of Perth County and Lower Tier Municipalities to be efficient with land consumption and maximizing investments in infrastructure.

Perth County is 90% Prime Agricultural Lands and has a diverse, robust agriculture industry which is necessary for the production of safe food and in providing food security locally and beyond. Agriculture in Perth County is an economic pillar both in primary agriculture and indirectly in services,

inputs, transportation, and business supports. The proposed non-farm residential lot creation policies introduce a serious threat to the continued success of our highly productive agricultural area.

Perth County requests the new policies which allow for the creation non-farm residential lots be removed.

- 2. Perth County Council supports the removal of the strict Comprehensive Review requirement in the 2020 PPS. Perth County Council also supports the requirements for agricultural impact assessments and efficient use of municipal infrastructure for settlement area boundary expansions.
- 3. The removal of the definition of affordable with respect to housing from the PPS allows municipalities flexibility to accommodate affordable housing definitions that may be aligned with funding and incentive opportunities available to developers. The removal of affordability targets and reference to housing and homelessness plans from the PPS makes the province's expectations for the planning authority related to affordable/attainable housing unclear.

Perth County Council requests clarity regarding the planning authority's roles and responsibilities for the provision of affordable housing options in our communities.

4. Perth County has 11% Natural Heritage cover on a total land area basis and is a largely agricultural community. The Natural Heritage System is incredibly important to the health of the landscape, water systems and in the prevention of soil erosion. The Natural Heritage Policies in the PPS are a significant tool which informs the County's ability to adequately evaluate development proposals and prevent adverse effect on the existing Natural Heritage System.

The County of Perth is currently engaged in an extensive consultation with landowners related to Natural Heritage Systems mapping and is also reviewing policy regarding Natural Heritage in a draft of a New OP for the County. Perth County requests timely action by the province to share proposed Natural Heritage Policies.

Others Consulted:

County Planning Directors Group, Western Ontario Wardens Caucus Planning Working Group, Dr. Wayne Caldwell

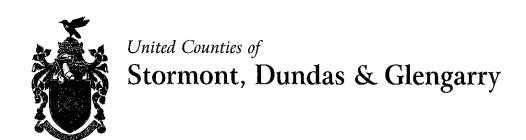
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Goal 1 - Growth & Economic Development

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Goal 4 – Community Development & Planning

Reviewed By: Lori Wolfe, CAO



RESOLUTION

MOVED BY Councillor Williams

RESOLUTION NO 2023- প্র

SECONDED BY Councillor Lang

DATE May 15, 2023

WHEREAS the goal of increasing housing supply and reducing barriers in planning processes as set out in the recent legislative, regulatory and policy changes, including new provisions from Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 is welcomed; and

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WHEREAS the proposed PPS changes that would allow proliferation of lots with protection restricted to specialty crop areas only diminishes the purpose, uses, and integrity of rural and agricultural lands, thereby removing protection and restricting future uses of those lands; and

WHEREAS the proposed PPS changes encourage sprawl and rural roadway strip development, rather than more fiscally and environmentally sustainable practices like intensification in established settlement areas; and

WHEREAS the province has announced changes will be proposed to natural heritage (section 4.1) that have yet to be published.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry urges the province to:

- pause proposed changes to the PPS, particularly regarding natural heritage (section 4.1) and agricultural lands (sections 2.6 and 4.3)
- reinvest trust in the local planning authority of all 444 municipalities, recognizing that each Ontario municipality has unique landscapes, different housing needs and differing visions for local planning matters

AND THAT our fellow municipalities be urged to voice their concerns regarding the proposed undermining of local planning authority;

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and Housing; The Hon. Lisa Thompson, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, The Hon. David Piccini, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry MPP Nolan Quinn, Glengarry-Prescott-Russell MPP Stéphane Sarrazin, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus.

WARDEN

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June 26, 2023

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RE: Vacant Building Official Positions

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Pleased be advised that the Council of the Municipality of North Perth passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held June 5, 2023 regarding vacant building official positions:

Moved by Councillor Rothwell Seconded by Councillor Duncan

WHEREAS building officials in Ontario examine building plans and inspect building construction to ensure compliance with the Ontario Building Code to ensure public safety;

AND WHEREAS in October 2022, Premier Doug Ford and the Ontario government announced their intent to build 1.5 million homes in the next ten years in an effort to generate enough supply to meet a high demand for now and in the future;

AND WHEREAS according to the Ontario Building Officials Association over 50 per cent of existing building officials are eligible to retire;

AND WHEREAS according to the Ontario Building Officials Association building officials are in high demand;

AND WHEREAS many municipalities across Ontario have job postings for building officials that remain unfilled;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of North Perth urges the Provincial Government to provide support to municipalities to fill vacant building official positions;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Provincial opposition parties, Matthew Rea MPP, all municipalities in Ontario and AMO.

CARRIED

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me at lcline@northperth.ca.

Sincerely,

Lindsay Cline,

Clerk/Legislative Services Supervisor

Municipality of North Perth

CC.

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Provincial Opposition Parties Perth-Wellington MPP Matthew Rea Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) All Ontario Municipalities



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July 4, 2023

Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Via Email

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Re: Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday, June 19, 2023, adopted the following Resolution:

WHEREAS escalating insurance costs are one of the Town of Halton Hills' priorities;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Halton Hills' annual insurance premiums have increased from \$594,404 (1.32% of taxes) to \$2,073,319 (3.28% of taxes) from 2017 to 2023, representing an accumulated increase of 248.8% over this period;

AND WHEREAS the annual increase to the Town of Halton Hills' insurance premiums have been one of the most significant constraints in limiting yearly tax levy increases over the past seven years;

AND WHEREAS Ontario Municipalities are experiencing higher insurance rates at each renewal with limited access to insurance companies willing to quote on municipal insurance needs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Halton Hills Council calls on the Province to take action to reduce municipal insurance costs;

AND FURTHER that this Resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Ted Arnott and all Ontario Municipalities for support.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2023-0125.

If you have any questions, please contact Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk for the Town of Halton Hills at valeriep@haltonhills.ca.

Sincerely,

Melissa Lawr

Deputy Clerk - Legislation

CC.

The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing The Honourable Ted Arnott, MPP Wellington-Halton Hills All Ontario Municipalities



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.: 2023-0125

Title: Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

Date: June 19, 2023

Moved by: Councillor B. Inglis

Seconded by: Councillor A. Hilson

Item No. 12.1

WHEREAS escalating insurance costs are one of the Town of Halton Hills' priorities;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Halton Hills' annual insurance premiums have increased from \$594,404 (1.32% of taxes) to \$2,073,319 (3.28% of taxes) from 2017 to 2023, representing an accumulated increase of 248.8% over this period;

WHEREAS the annual increase to the Town of Halton Hills' insurance premiums have been one of the most significant constraints in limiting yearly tax levy increases over the past seven years and

WHEREAS Ontario Municipalities are experiencing higher insurance rates at each renewal with limited access to insurance companies willing to quote on municipal insurance needs

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Halton Hills Council calls on the Province to take action to reduce municipal insurance costs

AND FURTHER that this Resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Ted Arnott and all Ontario Municipalities for support.

Mayor Ann Lawlor



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Cramahe Township Council Resolution

June 29, 2023 Sent via Email

Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation and Francophone Affairs
Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. David Piccini, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks & MPP for
Northumberland - Peterborough South
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities

RE: Amendments to the Highway Traffic Act

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Cramahe passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held June 20, 2023 regarding the Highway Traffic Act Amendments.

Resolution No. 2023-213

Moved By: COUNCILLOR HAMILTON
Seconded By: DEPUTY MAYOR ARTHUR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the City of Cambridge resolution; and **THAT** speeding on our roads is a major concern in our community; and

THAT speeding can occur in all areas of our community; and

THAT barriers and delays to enforcement pose a danger to our community; and **THAT** our municipality has limited resources to implement speed mitigation road design and re-design; and

THAT our local police service has limited resources to undertake speed enforcement; and

THAT s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) provides that Automated Speed Enforcement systems (ASE) may only be placed in designated community safety zones and school safety zones; and

THAT, the Township of Cramahe request that the Ontario Government amend s.205.1 of the HTA to permit municipalities to locate an ASE system permanently or temporarily on any roadway under the jurisdiction of municipalities and as

determined by municipalities and not be restricted to only community safety zones and school safety zones; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local area MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED

Attached please find a copy of the City of Cambridge Council Resolution, dated May 10, 2023.

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me at nhamilton@cramahe.ca

Sincerely,

Nicole Hamilton

Municipal Deputy Clerk

Township of Cramahe



The Corporation of the City of Cambridge
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The City of Cambridge
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mantond@cambridge.ca

May 10, 2023

Re: Highway Traffic Act Amendments

Dear Ms. Mulroney,

At the Council Meeting of May 9, 2023, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge passed the following Motion:

WHEREAS speeding on our roads is a major concern in our community,

AND WHEREAS speeding can occur in all areas of our community,

AND WHEREAS barriers and delays to enforcement pose a danger to our community,

AND WHEREAS our municipality has limited resources to implement speed mitigation road design and re-design,

AND WHEREAS our local police service has limited resources to undertake speed enforcement,

AND WHEREAS s.205.1 of the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) provides that Automated Speed Enforcement systems (ASE) may only be placed in designated community safety zones and school safety zones,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City of Cambridge request that the Ontario Government amend s.205.1 of the HTA to permit municipalities to locate an ASE system permanently or temporarily on any roadway under the jurisdiction of municipalities and as determined by municipalities and not be restricted to only community safety zones and school safety zones;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local area MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities.



Should you have any questions related to the approved resolution, please contact me.

Yours Truly,

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Danielle Manton City Clerk

Cc: (via email)

Steve Clark, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Local Area MPPs

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Cramahe Township Council Resolution

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June 29, 2023

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Hon. David Piccini, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks & MPP for Northumberland - Peterborough South

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Hon. Charmaine Williams, Associate Minister of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity

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The Women of Ontario Say No, Attn: Dianne Noble

RE: The Women of Ontario Say No: Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement

Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Cramahe passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held June 20, 2023 regarding Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement.

Resolution No. 2023-213

Moved By: COUNCILLOR VAN EGMOND Seconded By: COUNCILLOR HAMILTON

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the request for support from The Women of Ontario Say No; and

THAT all Ontarians deserve and expect a safe and respectful workplace; and **THAT** municipal governments, as the democratic institutions most directly engaged with Ontarians need respectful discourse; and

THAT several incidents in recent years of disrespectful behaviour and workplace harassment have occurred amongst members of municipal councils; and **THAT** these incidents seriously and negatively affect the people involved and

lower public perceptions of local governments;

THAT municipal Codes of Conduct are helpful tools to set expectations of council member behaviour; and

THAT municipal governments do not have the necessary tools to adequately enforce compliance with municipal Codes of Conduct; and

THAT Cramahe Township Council supports the call of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them in consultation with municipal governments; and

THAT the legislation encompass the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's recommendations for:

- Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment
- Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario
- Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province
- Allowing municipalities to apply to a member of the judiciary to remove a sitting member if recommended through the report of a municipal Integrity Commissioner
- Prohibit a member so removed from sitting for election in the term of removal and the subsequent term of office

CARRIED

If you have any questions regarding the above resolution, please do not hesitate to contact me at nhamilton@cramahe.ca

Sincerely,

Nicole Hamilton

Municipal Deputy Clerk

Township of Cramahe

Hon. Stephen Lecce Minister of Education Stephen.Lecceco@pc.ola.org

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June 29, 2023

Via email

RE: recommendation for amendment to the current regulations for licensed home-based childcare operators to increase allowable spaces.

Dear Minister Lecce,

During the June 26, 2023 regular meeting of council, council in response to recent publicly raised concern heard a report from staff in relation to the above, with the following resolution passed:

Moved: Liz Welsh Seconded: Chad Hyatt

WHEREAS in response the Petrolia Childcare Advocacy Group's recent delegation to Council where they identified a shortage of child care spaces in the Town of Petrolia; and

WHEREAS through additional research undertaken by the Town Staff, and in consultation with the County of Lambton Social Services, it has been further identified that there is an extreme shortage of child care spaces not only across the County but the Province as a whole; and

WHEREAS in response to the identified need the County hosted a community information night to educate members of the public who may be able to offer a licensed home-based child care service;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Petrolia recommends to the Hon. Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education, that in time for the 2023 school year amendment to the current regulations be made to allow licensed home-based child care operators the ability to provide two (2) before and after school care spaces to school aged children, in addition the permitted six (6) full time child care spaces; and

THAT in an effort to attract and retain qualified early childhood educators, the Minister of Education, review the current wage bracket for early childhood educators with implementation of an increase to wages to align with the services provided; and

<u>THAT the province provides more capital based funding sources for the construction of new centre-based facilities; and</u>

THAT the province considers increasing the current goal of thirty-three percent (33%) access ratio, to align better with the current provincial situation and anticipated population growth over the next ten (10) years; and

THAT these items be considered sooner rather than later, to assist in remedying the critical child care shortage experienced in Petrolia, Lambton, and across the province; and

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THAT this recommendation be forwarded to Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario | Hon. Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community & Social Services | Mr. Bob Bailey, MPP of Sarnia-Lambton | Hon. Monte McNaughton, MPP of Lambton-Kent-Middlesex | Mr. Kevin Marriott, Warden of Lambton County | Municipalities of Ontario;

Carried

Kind regards,

Original Signed

Mandi Pearson Clerk/Operations Clerk

cc:

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario premier@ontario.ca | Hon. Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community & Social Services Michael.Parsaco@pc.ola.org | Mr. Bob Bailey, MPP of Sarnia-Lambton bob.bailey@pc.ola.org | Hon. Monte McNaughton, MPP of Lambton-Kent-Middlesex Monte.McNaughtonco@pc.ola.org | Mr. Kevin Marriott, Warden of Lambton County Monte.McNaughtonco@pc.ola.org | Municipalities of Ontario

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Hon. Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Room 4620 99 Wellesley St. W., Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A1

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Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

Please be advised that at its meeting held on the 27th day of June 2023, the Council of the Township of Selwyn passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. 2023 – 143 – Notice of Motion – Short-Term Rentals

Councillor Brian Henry - Councillor John Boyko -

Whereas the demand for alternative accommodations has resulted in an increased prominence of residential properties being advertised for short term accommodations through third party companies such as Airbnb and VRBO; a shift from the 'traditional' cottage rental historically managed by a property owner; and

Whereas over the past decade a flood of properties have been removed from the ownership and long-term rental market (*Canada Research Chair in Urban Governance at McGill University*) contributing to housing shortages, increased housing demands and increased housing costs resulting in housing affordability issues, including affordable rentals; and

Whereas short term rentals (STR) can be beneficial, when operated appropriately, by providing solutions for the accommodation industry that supports local tourism and small businesses as well as providing an opportunity for property owners to generate income from their residence (permanent or seasonal) using a convenient third-party system; and

Whereas STR's can create nuisances including noise, parking, high volumes of visitors attending a property, septic capacity and fire safety, for adjacent residential property owners who wish to experience quiet enjoyment of their property; and

Whereas research indicates that demand for STR's is increasing, in part due to vacationers choosing domestic travel options as well as the financial benefits to property owners, demonstrating that STR's are here to stay; and

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Tel: 705 292 9507 Fax: 705 292 8964 Whereas there are no Provincial regulations in place governing third party STR companies resulting in a variety of regulations/guidelines being implemented at the local municipal level which creates inconsistencies, confusion and frustrations for both consumers and residents across the Province;

That the Township of Selwyn request that the Province move forward as soon as possible to legislate that all third party Short Term Rental brokerage companies, for example Airbnb and VRBO, appropriately manage and be responsible for their listings and to compel compliance that the Province establish the requirement for STR companies to require each rental listing to be registered and to pay an appropriate annual fee and that STR company provide this registry along with the collected fees to the municipality in which the STR properties are located which allows the municipality to be aware of all registered STR properties and to have access to funds for municipal expenses to enforce/respond to issues at a STR property; and further

That the Province require the STR company to de-list/remove the property from the company's listings so that the property cannot be rented where a municipality has identified and verified life, health and/or nuisance infractions including noise, fire safety, septic, etc...

That a copy of this resolution be sent to all Ontario municipalities for support as well as to Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Steve Clark, local M.P.P. Dave Smith and M.P. Michelle Ferreri.

Carried.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Megin Hunter

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July 4, 2023

Hon. Frangois-Philippe Champagne PC MP

Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development

Via email: ministerofisi-ministredeisi@ised-isde.gc.ca

Hon, Marie-Claude Bibeau PC MP

Minister of Agriculture

Via email: Marie-Claude.Bibeau@parl.gc.ca

Dear Ministers:

Re: Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury - The Right-to-Repair Movement

Please be advised that, at its meeting of June 27, 2023 the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne resolved as follows:

That correspondence from the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury regarding The Right-to-Repair Movement Condition be supported.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden City Clerk

C. Madden

cc. Federation of Canadian Municipalities Association of Municipalities of Ontario Ontario's Municipal Councils







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9 June 2023

VIA EMAIL

Hon. François-Philippe Champagne PC MP Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development Via email: ministerofisi-ministredeisi@ised-isde.gc.ca

Hon. Marie-Claude Bibeau PC MP

Minister of Agriculture

Via email: Marie-Claude.Bibeau@parl.gc.ca

Dear Ministers:

On behalf of the Council of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, we are writing to you pursuant to the enclosed motion to endorse the right-to-repair movement and to call on your government to expedite the promised consultations to enshrine this principle in consumer-protection law, with specific consultations and measures related to supporting the agricultural sector undertaken.

Right to Repair is a simple environmental and consumer protection measure: it ensures consumers are able to reasonably access repairs to electronic and other devices at a fair price, rather than creating a monopoly through technology companies only being able to repair their own products. This measure will also help reduce waste by combatting planned obsolescence, where companies make products that are only intended to last for a period of some years, and are not really reparable.

Further, farmers and growers are intimately familiar with the particular nuances of this issue when it comes to increasingly high-tech agricultural equipment. As the "soup and salad bowl of Canada", Bradford West Gwillimbury is home to many farmers and growers, so we know firsthand how important an issue these consultations will be.

Our Council has shown in recent years that we are at the forefront of advocating for important environmental protections, including the Freshwater Action Fund, and we are grateful to our new Green Initiatives Committee for recommending this current piece of advocacy to protect the environment and consumers.

A copy of the motion is enclosed. We would be happy to meet with you or your representatives to discuss this further.

Sincerely yours,

James Leduc

Mayor

CC:

John Barlow, MP Foothills

Rick Perkins, MP South Shore—St. Margarets

Alistair MacGregor, MP Cowichan—Malahat—Langford

Rachel Blaney, MP North Island—Powell River

Scot Davidson, MP York—Simcoe Federation of Canadian Municipalities Association of Municipalities of Ontario

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At its Regular meeting of Council held on Tuesday, June 6, 2023, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council approved the following resolution:

Resolution: 2023-199 Moved: Councillor Verkaik Seconded: Councillor Harper

Whereas the "right-to-repair" movement seeks to ensure consumers of electronic products, including mobile phones and computers, as well as agricultural equipment, are able to make routine fixes to damaged products without having to rely on the manufacturer and to affordably make such repairs; and

Whereas this movement and efforts against "planned obsolescence" seeks to ensure affordability for consumers and to protect our environment by reducing electronic waste; and

Whereas the agricultural sector has unique needs related to specialized electronic farm equipment and the ability to make repairs in a timely and affordable manner, especially during the growing season; and

Further to a commitment in the 2023 federal budget that "the government will work to implement a right to repair, with the aim of introducing a targeted framework for home appliances and electronics in 2024. The government will launch consultations this summer, including on the right to repair and the interoperability of farming equipment, and work closely with provinces and territories to advance the implementation of a right to repair" (p. 38); and

Be it therefore resolved that the committee recommend Council endorse the right-torepair movement through a letter from the Mayor and Green Initiatives Committee Chair to call on the federal government to expedite the promised consultations to enshrine this principle in consumer-protection law, with specific consultations and measures related to supporting the agricultural sector undertaken; and

That a copy of this resolution and letter be shared with the Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development; the Minister of Agriculture and their critics; and the Member of Parliament for York—Simcoe; and to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and Ontario's Municipal Councils, with a request for their endorsement of same.

Result: CARRIED.

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Transition Plan: Progress Report #5

In accordance with Section 21.1.4 of the Conservation Authorities Act

June 30, 2023





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Transition Plan: Progress Update

Introduction

The Conservation Authorities Act requires Conservation Authorities to prepare Transition Plans outlining steps and timelines for the preparation of an Inventory of Program and Services and for the development and execution of funding agreements between Kawartha Conservation and participating municipalities.

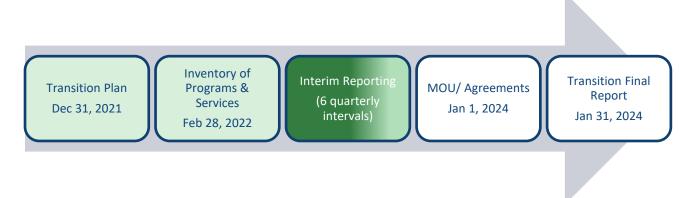
Funding agreements are to be struck for programs and services that are not deemed to be provincially mandatory core services outlined in the *Conservation Authorities Act* and associated regulations as outlined in Regulation 687/21 "Transition Plans and Agreements for Programs and Services" established under Section 21.1.2 of the Act.

A transition plan outlining steps to be taken to enter into agreements with participating municipalities that share geography with our watershed jurisdiction and an inventory of programs and services was completed. The City of Kawartha Lakes, Region of Durham (with representatives from its lower tier municipalities: Township of Brock, Municipality of Clarington, Township of Scugog), Municipality of Trent Lakes, and the Township of Cavan Monaghan are participating municipalities. Specified Municipalities are also being consulted during this transition period to keep abreast of the changes to the Conservation Authorities Act and transition, as recently released regulations identify the source protection program and service level agreements may exist with one or more of these municipalities.

This report is produced for the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry as per O. Reg. 687/21.

Note: The province aligned ministry portfolios recently, which shifted the Ministry responsible for Conservation Authorities; previously progress reports were submitted to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and future reports will be submitted to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

Timelines and Deliverables



Transition Plan

The Transition Plan was required to be completed by December 31, 2021, and distributed to member municipalities, the Ministry and made publicly available. This was approved on November 25th, 2021 and distributed per regulatory requirements by December 10th, 2021 (see Transition Plan).

Inventory of Programs and Services

An inventory of programs and services was to be prepared and circulated to participating municipalities by February 28, 2022. This was approved by the board on February 24, 2022, and distributed per regulatory requirements by February 28th, 2022.

The inventory of programs and services will be classified as: mandatory, performed on behalf of a municipality, or determined for consideration of funding to municipalities. These categories are further identified in Section 21 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

The inventory includes an estimate of the annual cost of the service, sources of funding and the percentage attributed to each funding source, and may be refined as agreements are worked on, until January 1, 2024. Refinements are to be brought forward through the progress reports to the Ministry.

The inventory of programs and services was updated on February 23, 2023 and included in the previous progress report submitted to the Ministry (<u>see Inventory of Programs and Services</u>). No updates to the inventory have been performed since the last progress report.

Municipal Agreements

Agreements will be required to be in place by January 1, 2024, with participating municipalities for non-mandatory programs and services where municipal funds are required. An option to extend this timeline from the Ministry can be applied for no later than October 1, 2023, with supplied rationale.

We note, with the passing of Bill 23, our existing agreements with municipalities will need to be revisited and changed.

Interim and Final Reporting

Interim reporting is required to be submitted to the Ministry on a quarterly basis starting July 1, 2022, outlining progress on the development of municipal agreements and any changes in the inventory of programs and services. Future progress report required by October 1, 2023.

A final report is due to the Ministry on January 31, 2024, confirming that agreements are in place, and forwarding the final inventory of programs and services.

Progress Reports		
Progress Report #1	Per subsection 7 (3) of the regulation	Jul 1, 2022
Progress Report #2	Per subsection 7 (3) of the regulation	Oct 1, 2022
Progress Report #3	Per subsection 7 (3) of the regulation	Jan 1, 2023
Progress Report #4	Per subsection 7 (3) of the regulation	Apr 1, 2023
Progress Report #5	Per subsection 7 (3) of the regulation	Jul 1, 2023

Progress Report #6	Per subsection 7 (3) of the regulation	Oct 1, 2023		
Final Report	Per subsection 9 of the regulation	Jan 31, 2024		

Progress Update

The following outlines the progress on the development of cost apportioning agreements with partner municipalities, in accordance with the legislative requirements outlined in O. Reg. 687/21 (Transition Plans and Agreements for programs and Services under Section 21.1.2 of the Act), specifically S.7.(3). Section 21.1.2 in the regulation is specific to the "Other programs and services" offered by a Conservation Authority.

Summary of any comments or other feedback on the inventory submitted by a municipality:

No additional comments or other feedback on the inventory were noted by municipalities in this reporting period.

Additional follow-up will occur during the transition period, and where required, the inventory will be updated.

Changes made to the inventory to address municipal comments:

No changes were made to the inventory of programs and services during this reporting period. If further dialogue with municipalities results in changes to the inventory, they will be reflected in future progress reports.

Update on progress towards negotiating cost apportioning agreements with your participating municipalities:

We are in discussions around cost apportioning agreements with our participating municipalities and are focusing efforts to consult on draft cost apportioning agreements with these municipalities.

Staff had initial meetings in 2022 with the Municipality of Trent Lakes (June 9th), Municipality of Clarington (June 27th), Township of Brock (June 29th), City of Kawartha Lakes (July 18th) and Region of Durham (July 21st), to discuss the inventory and initiate discussions regarding cost apportioning agreements and next steps.

There is general agreement that the programs and services that a participating municipality may benefit from be captured in a general agreement with more specific agreements flowing from it. Major content of these agreements would need to be agreed upon by July 2023 to enable the development of a conservation authority budget in 2024 that conforms to the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

Staff drafted an MOU which was brought forward and approved by the Board on May 25th with a few amendments. The draft agreement has been circulated to all participating municipalities and discussions or meetings to discuss the agreement are ongoing. Staff met with the City of Kawartha Lakes (June 12th) to further discuss the implementation of new cost apportioning agreements and next steps utilizing the approved draft MOU within the timeline of January 1, 2024.

Outline of any difficulties experienced that might impact the ability to conclude cost apportioning agreements by transition date:

Optimal timelines to enter into cost apportioning agreements have been discussed in meetings with participating municipalities. Indications continue to suggest that the timelines are ambitious, and in most cases apportioning agreements may be struck by the transition date of January 1, 2024. Detailed discussions on the draft MOUs will need to conclude and be passed by Councils of the participating municipalities, which may still be possible, although timelines will have to line up well for this to occur. We note that extensive changes introduced as part of Bill 23 to the *Conservation Authorities Act* and the *Planning Act*, which not only affects our existing agreements with municipalities, but also affects the municipalities themselves, in addition to Provincial introduction of a review of regional government which will affect one of our participating municipalities.

The Region of Durham has indicated that the timelines may not be feasible to allow for the process of establishing agreements to be developed, agreed upon and endorsed; an extension may be required. We duly note that Bill 109 significantly impacts the Region of Durham and attention to apportioning agreements may be lesser priorities as significant work will be required by the Region to address the changes to their municipality.

We also note that our resources have been focused on achieving other transitional deliverables required by the *Conservation Authorities Act*, as well as deployment of internal resources to delivering mandatory programs and service areas for which there has been a labour shortfall. We are endeavoring to ensure that work continues on this front to make sure that we can fulfill our responsibilities. Further, attention has been focused on preparation of budgets which will require a significant reworking of our budget format, account coding and resource coding, implementing provisions identified within Bill 23 with our municipal partners, and earlier in the year, orientating our new Board members. These factors have directly impacted the development of cost apportioning agreements.

Kawartha Conservation Inventory of Programs and Services

v.1 approved Feb. 24, 2022 v.2 Feb 23, 2023 – addressing Bill 23 amendments to CA Act

The following is a listing of programs and services that are aligned with the requirements outlined in regulations. This represents the current inventory of programs and may be adjusted as additional provincial guidance and interpretation is supplied, as information is refined and following discussions with municipalities on this inventory.

The Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks is requesting that each program and service is categorized into one of 3 categories, as follows:

- 1. Mandatory programs and services (defined in regulation; where municipal levy could be used without any agreement)
- 2. Municipal programs and services. Programs and services at the request of a municipality (with municipal funding through an MOU/agreement)
- 3. Other programs and services. Programs and services an authority determines are advisable (use of municipal levy requires an MOU/agreement with participating municipalities)

A program or service that is identified as mandatory is eligible, but not required to receive municipal funding. More than one category of program may apply to a program or service offered.

Program/Service	Description	Category	Program	Estimated	Source of Funding	
and Subservices		(1,2,3)	Service	Average		
			Area	Annual		
			Provisions	Costs		
Natural Hazard Management						
Natural Hazard Management Program						

Program Description: Conservation Authorities (CAs) are the lead provincial agencies on Natural Hazard issues. The goal is to protect life and property from flooding and erosion. This watershed-wide, comprehensive program includes: development applications and permits, municipal plan input and review, environmental planning and policy, flood forecast and warning, flood and erosion control infrastructure, technical studies, ice management, education and public awareness.

See 21.1 (1) 1 i of the Conservation Authorities Act; Sections 1-8 of the Mandatory Programs and Services Regulation O.Reg. 686/21

Section 28.1 Permit	Reviewing and processing permit applications, associated	1	Currently	\$362,600	Municipal Levy – 41%
Administration and	technical reports, site inspections, communication with		Provided		Self Generated – 59%
Compliance and	applicants, agents, and consultants and legal costs.				
Communications	Includes information management related to these items.				
Review under other	Input to the review and approval processes under other	1	Currently		Municipal Levy – 41%
Legislation	applicable law (e.g., Environmental Assessment Act, with		Provided	\$45,800	Self Generated – 59%
	comments principally related to natural hazards,				
	wetlands, watercourses, and S. 28 permit requirements.)				

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
Municipal Plan Input and Review (Natural Hazards)	Technical information and advice to municipalities on circulated municipal land use planning applications (Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, Subdivisions, Consents, Minor Variances).	1	Currently Provided	\$174,700	Municipal Levy – 41% Self Generated – 59%
	Input to municipal land-use planning documents (OP, Comprehensive ZB, Secondary plans) related to natural hazards, on behalf of Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (MNDMNRF), delegated to CAs in 1983.				
	Input to the review and approval processes under other applicable law, with comments principally related to natural hazards, wetlands, watercourses, and S. 28 permit requirements.				
	Includes information management related to these items.				
Plan Review Not Related to Natural Hazards	Technical information and advice to municipalities on circulated municipal land use planning applications (Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, Subdivisions, Consents, Minor Variances).	2	To be removed from MOUs	Activity removed from inventory	N/A
	Planning services are provided by current MOUs with the City of Kawartha Lakes (2012), Durham Region (2011), Municipality of Trent Lakes (2017), County of Peterborough (2013).				
Website update (Permit application tracking)	Develop a customer-focused solution putting permit application status information into the hands of residents and the building community.	1	General Benefitting Project	\$20,000	Municipal Levy – 100%
	Enable customers to find the information they need, and utilize online services provided with a particular aim to improve planning and permitting services.				
	*Funded by participating municipalities as a 2-year general benefitting program, directly related to hazard programming for permitting and planning				

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
Flood Forecasting and Warning and Low Water Response	Daily data collection and monitoring of weather forecasts, provincial and local water level forecasts, watershed conditions, snow course, flood event forecasting, flood warning, communications and response and equipment maintenance. Annual meeting with municipal flood emergency coordinator.	1	Currently Provided	\$112,600	Provincial – 22% Municipal Levy – 76%
	Conditions monitoring and analysis, including baseflow conditions. Technical and administrative support to the Water Response Team representing major water users and decision makers, who recommend drought response actions. Includes information management related to these items.				
Natural Hazards Technical Studies, Policy Review	Studies and projects to inform natural hazards management programs including: flood plain studies, watershed hydrology, regulations areas mapping update, flood forecasting system assessment, flood plain policy, and shoreline management. An individual project often lasts one to three years and are distributed over time as human resources and funding is available.	1	Special Benefitting Projects with municipality	\$278,700	Municipal Levy – 84% Other Revenue – 16%
	*Current projects include Durham Watershed Planning and Floodplain Mapping studies, funded through special benefitting projects with Durham Region, City of Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton County. Costs vary annually.				
Natural Hazards Communications, Outreach and Education	Promoting public awareness of natural hazards including flooding, drought, and erosion. Public events, materials. Social media services. Media relations. Educate elementary school students and the public about the danger of floodwaters.	1	CA Act	\$6,600	Municipal Levy – 100%

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
Study of the potential effects of climate change on natural hazards and impact assessment/planning policies related to natural hazard management. (NEW)	As per Mandatory Programs and Services Regulation Section 1(3)1. Iv. Collection and management of climate science data in order to identify potential effects of climate change on flooding and erosion. Identification of vulnerability or risk, and the development of mitigation and adaptation policies and plans. This is a new program area (2021). Some initial work has been underway to understand the geographical distribution of precipitation lake temperature and air temperature through the Senior citizen's climate change project.	1	New program area	\$29,000	Other Revenue –100%
Flood and Erosion Control Infrastructure	Water and erosion control infrastructure and low flow augmentation. We do not own or operate any structures.	1	N/A	N/A	N/A
Ice Management Services	The development and updating of ice management plans. Identified in the CA Act (as advisable). This is not a management plan that we anticipate will be required.	1	N/A	N/A	N/A

Water Quality & Quantity and Environmental Monitoring

Provincial Water Quality & Quantity Monitoring

Program Description: In partnership with Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Parks (MECP), long term sites to monitor surface and ground water conditions have been established.

see 21.1 (1) 2 of the Conservation Authorities Act; Section 12(2) and 12(3) of the Mandatory Programs and Services Regulation O.R. 686/21

Provincial Water Quality	A long-standing (30+ year) CA/MECP partnership for stream	1	Currently	\$28,900	Municipal Levy – 100%
Monitoring Network	water quality monitoring at nine sites. CA takes water		Provided	, ,	
(PWQMN)	samples and MECP does lab analysis and data				
	management.				

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network (PGMN)	A long-standing CA/MECP partnership for groundwater level and quality monitoring at 16 stations. Costs include equipment, data collection, analysis, data management and reporting. MECP funded network installation and continues to fund equipment replacements. Data collected supports flood forecast and warning, low water response, and water quality monitoring.	1	Currently Provided	\$48,200	Municipal Levy – 100%
Local Environmental Mon	itoring				

Program Description: In partnership with community organizations, municipalities, and federal and provincial agencies, sites are established to monitor environmental parameters and advance environmental monitoring and assessment initiatives.

Surface Water Quality Monitoring and Reporting	Surface water quality monitoring is conducted at sites in addition to PWQMN; water quality monitoring at 17 sites (Kawartha Water Watch), benthic monitoring at 15 sites and temperature monitoring focused on cold water streams at 30 sites across the watershed. Costs include sampling, analysis, and reporting. Conservation Authorities report on local watershed conditions every five years. Measuring increases understanding of the watershed, focuses efforts and tracks progress.	3	Currently Provided Will seek apportioning agreement	\$54,700	Municipal Levy – 100%
Local Groundwater Monitoring	Local shallow groundwater monitoring is conducted at 4 sites for the purpose of understanding local groundwater in response to weather conditions.	3	Currently Provided Will seek apportioning agreement	\$18,900	Municipal Levy – 100%
Local Environmental Monitoring activities	Monitoring strategy, other environmental studies and overarching management of information and data.	3	Currently Provided Will seek apportioning agreement	\$44,840	Municipal Levy – 100%

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
Lake Management Plan Implementation Monitoring	Ongoing monitoring activities as part of the Lake Management plans and implementation of those plans. Includes implementation of activities across City of Kawartha Lakes and Durham Region. Activities include water quality sampling, water level monitoring, aquatic vegetation monitoring, nearshore monitoring and sediment and erosion control measures. Note: Programs include monitoring aspects of the Lake Management Implementation Action Plan for the City of Kawartha Lakes approved in June 2018. Durham Region program includes the monitoring aspects of watershed plan implementation handled through the annual budgeting process, and the Lake Scugog Enhancement project MOU signed 2018.	2	Special Benefitting Projects with municipality	\$188,900	Municipal Levy – 80% Other Revenue – 20%
Drinking Water Source Pro	otection				
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Program Description: The Source Protection Plans.	protection of municipal drinking water supplies in the Kawartha				
Drinking Water Source Protection Program	see 21.1 (1) 1 iii of the <i>Conservation Authorities Act; Se</i> Source Protection Area/Region, technical support, Source Protections Committee support, Source Protection	1 1	Currently Provided	\$48,700	Provincial – 100%

Authority reports and meetings. Activities required by the

Program operates under recurring MOU with the Province and Source Protection Lead; funds received from the Source Protection Lead, which are provincial funds.

Clean Water Act and regulations.

(KHSPA)

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
Risk Management Official	Carrying out Part IV duties of the Clean Water Act on behalf of municipalities through service agreements. Category 2: City of Kawartha Lakes municipal agreements. RMO services provided to the City of Kawartha Lakes through an MOU 2014.	2	Currently Provided under MOU	\$59,300	Municipal Levy – 100%

Core Watershed-based Resource Management Strategy

Core Watershed-based Resource Management Strategy

Program Description: The purpose of a watershed plan is to understand the current conditions of the watershed, and identify measures to protect, enhance, and restore the health of the watershed. Watershed strategies provide a management framework to provide recommendations which consists of goals, objectives, indicators, and management recommendations. This addresses existing issues in the watershed and mitigate impacts from potential future land uses, while recommending appropriate actions to protect, enhance, and restore the watershed.

see 21.1 (1) 2 of the Conservation Authorities Act; Section 12(4)-(9) of the Mandatory Programs and Services Regulation O.R. 686/21

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Strategy Development (related to natural hazards)	Collate/compile existing resource management plans, watershed plans, studies, and data. Strategy development, implementation, and annual reporting.	1	New program area	TBD	Funding source likely 100% from Municipal Levy.
(NEW)	This project will build on the 1983 Watershed Management Strategy, and subsequent subwatershed plans including riverine and lake management plans and program specific strategies as applicable. NOTE: Strategy to be completed on or before December 31, 2024 per requirements in 12(4)-(9) of the Mandatory Programs and Services Regulation				

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
Watershed Studies and St	rategies				
	ershed strategies provide a management framework to provide dresses existing issues in the watershed and mitigate impacts frestore the watershed.				
Subwatershed Initiatives not related to natural hazards (Lake Management Plans and Subwatershed Studies)	We undertake riverine and lake-based management plans across the watershed on a rotating basis as needs are identified and the funding and resources allow. Activities include: community engagement and objective setting, supporting protection, enhancement and restoration activities, and monitoring and evaluating actions. The Lake Dalrymple Management Plan is currently in development (4-year plan), cost estimate based on year 1 actual expenditure which will be higher in future years.	2	Special Benefitting Projects with municipality	\$45,000	Municipal Levy – 100%
Climate Change Implementation	Involvement in climate change implementation not directed at natural hazards specifically and tied into municipal initiatives to assess and address climate vulnerability. Specific implementation measures will be tied to service level agreements and MOUs as appropriate. This is a developing program.	3	Currently Provided	\$7,200	Municipal Levy – 100%
Ecological Land Classification (Land Use Mapping)	We undertake mapping activities to verify our ELC information when new orthophotography is available. Aerial photo interpretation occurs on land use and ecological features, used in long-range planning. Municipal apportionment for this program is identified during the budgeting process or accelerated through Special Benefitting Projects.	3	Currently Provided Will seek apportioning agreement	\$9,200	Municipal Levy – 100%
Natural Heritage Systems Implementation	Incorporation of natural heritage information particularly around wetlands to develop planning and regulatory strategies to mitigate downstream natural hazards.	3	N/A	N/A	N/A

Program/Service	Description	Category	Program	Estimated	Source of Funding
and Subservices		(1,2,3)	Service	Average	
			Area	Annual	
			Provisions	Costs	
	We do not have a structured program for this service				
	area.				

Conservation Lands and Conservation Areas

Conservation Authority Lands and Conservation Areas

Program Description: We own 809 hectares of land which includes forests, wetlands, and farmland, and manage an additional 405 hectares on behalf of the Ontario Heritage Trust. This property is essential to watershed management, environmental protection, provides community spaces and areas for passive recreation.

see 21.1 (1) 1 ii of the Conservation Authorities Act; Sections 9-10 of the Mandatory Programs and Services Regulation O.R. 686/21

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Section 29 Minister's regulation for Conservation Areas (O. Reg. 688/21	Conservation areas regulations enforcement and compliance.	1	Currently Provided	\$39,700	Municipal Levy –72% Self Generated – 28%
Conservation Easement Agreements	Annual monitoring, reporting, and enforcement of conservation easement agreements.	1	Currently Provided	3,600	Municipal Levy – 72%, Self Generated –28%
Conservation Areas	Management and maintenance of five conservation areas. Includes passive recreation, risk management program, hazard tree management, gates, fencing, signage, brochures, communications, and general maintenance of boardwalks, viewing platforms, trails pedestrian bridges, parking lots, pavilions, roadways; stewardship, restoration, ecological monitoring, carrying costs such as taxes and insurance.	1	Currently Provided	\$308,400	Municipal Levy – 72%, Self Generated –28%
Conservation Area Infrastructure Development	Major capital improvements to support public access, safety, and environmental protection such as pedestrian bridges, boardwalks, trails. Other infrastructure improvements on CA lands that will enhance user experience such as camping, education center, washrooms, etc. Recent projects include the viewing platform, accessible	3	Currently Provided Will seek apportioning agreement as needed	\$25,900	Municipal Levy – 50%, Other Revenue – 50%

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
	trails and trail improvements, accessible washrooms, and a pedestrian bridge replacement. Projects are completed based on funding opportunities. Levy apportionments are brought to the board for approval when a project is identified.				
Land acquisition	Strategic acquisition of environmentally or locally significant properties. Recent projects include the securement of a 5-acre parcel. In Durham Region, 40% of securement costs are eligible for municipal funding, with the other 60% being raised through private donations. Each opportunity is brought to the board for consideration with funding mechanisms and potential levy impacts identified on a case-by-case basis.	3	Currently Provided Will seek agreement as needed	\$10,400	Municipal Levy – 40%, Other Revenue – 60 %
Ontario Heritage Trust properties	Management and maintenance of Ontario Heritage Trusts owned lands. Includes passive recreation, risk management program, hazard tree management, forest management, signage, trails, parking lots, roadways, stewardship, restoration, ecological monitoring, carrying costs such as insurance. This program includes the management of Fleetwood Creek Natural Area and is fully funded under agreement with the Ontario Heritage Trust.	3	Currently Provided	\$8,600	Other Revenue – 100%
Inventory of Conservation Authority lands (NEW)	The land inventory will include the following information: location as well as date, method, and purpose of acquisition, land use. One time project with updates as properties are acquired or disposed of. NOTE: Inventory to be completed on or before December 31, 2024, per requirements in Section 11 of the Mandatory Programs and Services Regulation	1	New Program Area (2023)	\$10,400	Municipal Levy – 100%,

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
Strategy for CA owned or controlled lands and management plans (NEW)	A strategy to guide the management and use of CA-owned or controlled properties including: guiding principles, objectives, land use, natural heritage, classifications of lands, mapping, identification of programs and services on the lands, public consultation, publish on website. One-year project. This is an update to previous conservation area management plans. NOTE: Strategy to be completed on or before December 31, 2024, per requirements in Section 10 of the Mandatory Programs and Services Regulation	1	New Program Area (2023)	\$20,700	Municipal Levy – 100%
Land Acquisition and Disposition Strategy (NEW)	A policy to guide the acquisition and disposition of land in order to fulfill the objects of the authority. One-year project that updates the 2011 Interim Land Securement Policy.	1	New Program Area (2022)	\$2,200	Municipal Levy – 100%
Conservation Lands Operations (Resource Development)	Manage land owned by the Authority for resource development purposes (i.e., commercial forestry, aggregate extraction, agriculture, etc.).	3	N/A	N/A	N/A

Watershed Stewardship and Restoration

Watershed Stewardship and Restoration (Urban, rural & agricultural)

Program Description: The stewardship and restoration program has three key components: one-on-one technical assistant to watershed landowners, connecting landowners with cost-share funding, and the reforestation program. Projects reduce the risk to life and property from natural hazards, protect water quality and quantity, improve forest conditions, increase biodiversity, and make the watersheds more resilient to climate change.

Lake Management Plan	Public and Private Land Stewardship in urban, rural, and	2	Special	\$384,400	Municipal Levy – 68%
Implementation –	agricultural communities.		Benefitting		Other Revenue – 32%
Stewardship	Work with property owners to implement best management practices to mitigate flood and erosion hazards, improve and protect water quality, restore flood plains and river valleys, reduce nutrient contamination, restore and enhance wetlands to reduce flooding peaks		Projects with municipality		

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
	and augment low flow, manage terrestrial non-native invasive species, protect groundwater, and improve species at risk habitat.				
	Apply for and manage external funding, promote private land stewardship, outreach, provide technical advice and design assistance.				
	Programs include stewardship aspects of the Lake Management Implementation Action Plan for the City of Kawartha Lakes approved in June 2018. Durham Region program includes the stewardship aspects of watershed plan implementation. These projects are handled through the annual budgeting process.				
Tree Planting and Forestry Services	Forestry services including planting plan development, site preparation, tree and shrub planting, and survival assessments. Private woodlot stewardship, technical assistance, link to funding programs to maintain form and function of watershed forest cover. This program is provided in the City of Kawartha Lakes as part of the Lake Management Implementation Action Plan	2	Special Benefitting Projects with municipality or MOU	\$111,500	Municipal Levy –59% Self Generated and Other Revenue – 41%
	June 2018. It is offered in the Region of Durham through the Durham Trees MOU April 2021. Cost estimate is reflective of one year of active programming scope.				
Conservation Education a	nd Community Outreach (Education and Outreach – School Pro	ograms, Famil	y & Community	Programs)	
Conservation Education a	nd Community Outreach				
	cation and outreach programs increase knowledge and awarend tion actions they can implement.	ess in children	and adults abou	t local environme	ntal issues, watersheds and
School programs	Curriculum-based education programs for elementary and secondary students. These programs focus on local watersheds, ecosystems, and environmental issues.	3	Currently Provided	\$2,600	Self Generated and Other Revenue– 100%

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
	Programs take place at schools (indoors and outdoors), field trips to conservation areas and community parks and through online learning				
	Current programs have been paused during covid but typically include school field trips and in class programs. This program is provided to local schools on a cost recovery basis through user fees.				
Youth Summer Camp	Day camp programs designed for children under the age of 15. These programs focus on environmental themes including species identification, watershed and ecosystem health, and species at risk. Current programs have paused during covid but typically include summer day camps for July and August. This program is provided on a cost recovery basis through user fees.	3	Currently Provided	\$16,200	Self Generated and Other Revenue– 100%
Community programs and events	Education and outreach programs and community events to assist in achieving the objectives of the conservation authority. These programs are open to people of all ages. Current programs include Forest Therapy, Kawartha Quest, and assorted community hikes. This program is provided on a cost recovery basis through user fees and grants.	3	Currently Provided Will seek agreement as needed	\$14,400	Self Generated and Other Revenue– 100%
Innovation Hub	Provision of education and training for professionals across a range of topics. Recent courses include River Ice Engineering, Project Management, Environmental Impact Assessment and Ontario Building Code, Part 8 Septic Systems Exam Preparation. This program is provided on a cost recovery basis through user fees.	3	Currently Provided	\$3,000	Self Generated – 100%

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
Enabling Program Serv	ices				
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	ey assistance provided to all departments of the conservation authorate in an accountable, transparent, efficient, and effective manner	•			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Corporate Services	Administrative, human resources, operating and capital costs which are not directly related to the delivery of any specific program or service, but are the overhead and support costs of a conservation authority.	1	Currently Provided	\$345,600	Municipal Levy – 96% Self Generated – 4%
	Includes health and safety program support, overseeing programs and policies and implementation of business improvements.				
Financial Services	Annual budget, accounts payable and receivable, payroll, financial analysis, financial audit, administration of reserves and investments, financial reports for funding agencies, preparing and submitting reports to CRA, benefits program administration.	1	Currently Provided	\$172,800	Municipal Levy – 96% Self Generated –4%
Corporate Legal Expenses	Costs related to agreements/contracts, administrative by- law updates, human resource matters including policy review.	1	Currently Provided	\$200	Municipal Levy – 96% Self Generated – 4%
Governance	Supporting CA Boards, Advisory Committees, Office of CAO, and Senior Management.	1	Currently Provided	\$172,800	Municipal Levy – 96% Self Generated – 4%
Communications	Ensure organization transparency and accountability to our Board of Directors, municipal partners, staff, and the watershed community, while representing our organization in a strong, positive manner that is consistent with our vision, mission, and focus.	1	Currently Provided	\$91,100	Municipal Levy – 96% Self Generated – 4%
	Inform and promote to the community our programs and projects through media, open houses, public meetings, website administration, responding to inquiries from the				

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
	public, crisis communications.				
Administration Buildings	Office buildings and workshop used to support staff, programs, and services. Includes utilities, routine and major maintenance, property taxes. While most upgrades have been implemented for accessibility, a comprehensive review of requirements may require additional investment in infrastructure.	1	Currently Provided	\$125,600	Municipal Levy – 100%
Information Technology and Records Management	Data management, records retention, records scanning and integration into IMS system and server and GIS support. Development and use of systems to collect and store data including cost of software and server upgrades. Cost of outside server to maintain and provide security services.	1	Currently Provided	\$57,000	Municipal Levy – 100%
Vehicle and Equipment	A fleet of vehicles and equipment to support the work of the organization, including capital purchases, fuel, licenses, repairs, and maintenance. Programs and projects are charged for the use of the vehicles and equipment.	1	Currently Provided	\$120,000	Municipal Levy – 100%
Asset Management (NEW)	Asset management planning, tracking and risk management of facilities & property management. An asset management plan is proposed to be initiated in 2022	1	New Program Area	\$50,000	Municipal Levy – 36% Other Revenue – 64%
Corporate Records	In conjunction with the Information Management System, the digitization of hard copy files to contribute to faster processing of planning applications and other corporate information. Benefits of shifting to digitized documents will allow for easy storage, retrieval, updating and improved access and transport of information.	1	General Benefitting Project	\$15,400	Municipal Levy – 100%

Program/Service and Subservices	Description	Category (1,2,3)	Program Service Area Provisions	Estimated Average Annual Costs	Source of Funding
	A general benefitting project is serving to further this initiative				

Notes:

- Estimated annual average costs consider monetary contributions only; other in-kind contributions of time are not accounted for in this analysis, although they may contribute significantly to the outcomes and success of programming.
- Special project costs may vary from year to year depending on grants applied for and received and municipal levy support.
- Estimated average annual costs are based on a running four-year average as 2020 was an atypical year impacting organizational operations throughout.
- Moving forward, 2022 budget information represents a reasonable representation of program costs aside from new program areas.
- Implementation of *Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022* will introduce variances in the inventory affecting services and average annual costs in certain categories

Revisions:

Version 1 – Approved Feb 24th, 2022 by Board of Directors

Version 2 – Feb 23, 2023

Inventory updated to reflect Bill 23 amendments to the Conservation Authorities Act. Specifically adjustments to the category "Plan Review Not Related to Natural Hazards" (\$26,900) were made such that average annual costs for providing this service are directed to the category Section 28.1 Permit Administration and Compliance and Communications (\$18,800 added to service area cost \$343,800 for a total of \$362,600) and to the category Municipal Plan Input and Review (Natural Hazards) (\$8,100 added to the service area cost \$166,600 for a total of \$174,700).



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July 5, 2023

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By Email

On behalf of the Durham Regional Police Services Board, I am pleased to provide a copy of the DRPS 2022 Annual Report, as required by the Protocol for the Sharing of Information between the Durham Regional Police Services Board and the Durham Regional Council.

The 2022 Annual Report can be viewed by Members of Council on the Board's website at https://durhampoliceboard.ca/annual-reports-business-plans/.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Regards,

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

The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

DURHAM AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 13, 2023

A meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 in Meeting Room 1-A, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 7:30 PM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

1. Roll Call

Present: Z. Cohoon, Member at Large, Chair

R. Death, Whitby

N. Guthrie, Ajax

B. Hulshof, Uxbridge

G. O'Connor, Member at Large

D. Risebrough, Member at Large, Vice-Chair

H. Schillings, Member at Large

M. Shiers, Durham Region Federation of Agriculture

B. Smith, Uxbridge, Vice-Chair M. Somerville, Member at Large

D. Stevenson, Oshawa

N. Swain, Scugog

G. Taylor, Pickering

T. Watpool, Brock

W. Wotten*, Regional Councillor

* denotes members of the Committee participating electronically

Absent: T. Barrie, Clarington

Staff

Present: A. De Vos, Program Specialist, Department of Planning and Economic Development

C. Goodchild, Manager, Policy Planning & Special Studies

S. Jibb, Manager, Agricultural & Rural Economic Development, Department of Planning and Economic Development

R. Inacio, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services - IT

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 G.L. O'Connor, Seconded by T. Watpool,
That the minutes of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting
held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, be adopted.

CARRIED

4. Discussion Items

A) Rural and Agricultural Economic Development Update

- A. De Vos provided the following update:
 - The Precision Agriculture Field Day was hosted by the Barrie Family on May 30 and was offered to high school students to advise of career opportunities in agriculture and general exposure on how precision agriculture technology is used to produce food. There has been discussion to make this an annual event.
 - Local Food Week took placed the week of June 5th which included campaigns for Durham Farms and Local Food and identified the Village of Newcastle as the apple capital of Canada.
- S. Jibb provided the following update:
 - It was the consensus of staff to not continue to work on the On-Farm Diversified Toolkit at this time with the Provincial Policy changes and instead will shift their focus to educating staff on the Provincial guidelines for On-Farm Diversified Uses.

B) Avian Influenza and Backyard Chickens

- S. Jibb provided the following update:
 - The Township of Brock is looking into introducing backyard chickens and changing their by-law.
 - The City of Pickering Council adopted the staff recommendation to not proceed with a backyard chicken pilot project.
 - Hubert Schilling delegated to the City of Pickering on Monday, June 5, 2023 to speak on this topic.

C) Agriculture 101 Training

A. De Vos provided the following update:

 Zac Cohoon presented to Regional Council regarding the Agriculture 101 Training. There was discussion to provide the training to local municipalities.

Discussion ensued with regards to providing the Agriculture 101 Training in the late fall/winter; making the training specific to each lower tier municipality; how to get the training onto the lower tier agendas; the length of the presentation to Regional Council and shortening the version to the lower tiers; ensuring appropriate staff are in attendance for the training; who will be providing the training to the lower tier municipalities; and the priority of topics to be included in the training. Scugog Council will be the first local tier presentation.

D) <u>2023 Farm Tour Sub-Committee Report</u>

D. Risebrough advised the Farm Tour will take place on Thursday, September 21, 2023 and will be hosted by Carncroft Farm and Swain Beef Farm with registration beginning at 11:00 AM and lunch at 12:00 PM; the guest speaker is the Director of Meat & Poultry Ontario; and the presentation of the two farms will take place at 1:00 PM. He further advised that assistance is needed from Committee members for the set up and take down of equipment used for the event at the locations.

E) <u>Durham Regional Official Plan Update</u>

M. Scott advised that the new Durham Regional Official Plan was adopted by Regional Council on May 17, 2023 and has been sent to the Province for approval. He further advised he would provide an update when they hear back from the Province with any changes.

F) Regional Development Charge By-law

S. Jibb advised she had a discussion with the Regional Development Charge (DC) working group and discussed the comments raised at the May 9th Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting in terms of the On-Farm Diversified Uses and Building definition in the DC By-law, and that it was the consensus that more time was needed to look into the definitions. She further advised that there will be a presentation on this topic at the October 10th meeting.

Discussion ensued with regards to whether comments received from the committee can be brought up through an amendment to the by-law or if it has to be done during the next by-law study; and working with the Planning Division to assist with defining On-Farm Diversified Uses appropriately.

G) Region of Durham Annual Business Count

- M. Scott advised the Region of Durham Annual Business Count is open at durham.ca/businesscount and that they will not be conducting it in person this year due to the Avian Influenza.
- H) Consultation on Proposed Changes to Part XV of the Health of Animals Regulations (Identification and Traceability)
 - M. Scott advised that any comments from the Committee on the regulations are due by June 16, 2023. He further advised that fair boards will have to take control over tracking the animals that are coming to and leaving each fair and that it was previously done by the exhibitor.

Moved by T. Watpool, Seconded by B. Smith,

That the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee supports the Agriculture Societies in maintaining the exhibitors as the source of traceability for animals attending fairs.

CARRIED

5. Information Items

A) <u>DAAC Workplan and Terms of Reference 2023</u>

Report #2023-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development – DAAC Workplan and Terms of Reference 2023 was provided as a link to the Agenda and received.

M. Scott advised that Report #2023-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development was approved by the Planning and Economic Development Committee on June 8, 2023 and will be presented to Regional Council on June 28, 2023.

B) <u>Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee Resolutions</u>

Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee Resolutions included in the June 6, 2023 Planning and Economic Development Committee agenda was provided as a link to the Agenda and received.

C) Report #2023-P-15 – Envision Durham – Recommendations on the New Regional Official Plan

Report #2023-P-15 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development – Envision Durham – Recommendation on the New Regional Official Plan was provided as a link to the Agenda and received.

M. Scott advised that Report #2023-P-15 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development was approved by Regional Council at the Special Regional Council meeting held on May 17, 2023.

D) <u>Notice of Adoption – Regional Official Plan</u>

Notice of Adoption of the Regional Official Plan dated May 30, 2023 was provided as Attachment #2 to the Agenda and received.

E) Durham Region's Response to Provincial Consultation on Bill 97 – the Helping Homeowners, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023, the Proposed Provincial Planning Statement, and Related ERO Postings #019-6821, #019-6822, #019-6813

Report #2023-P-19 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development – Durham Region's Response to Provincial Consultation on Bill 97 – the Helping Homeowners, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023, the Proposed Provincial Planning Statement, and Related ERO Postings #019-6821, #019-6822, #019-6813 was provided as a link to the Agenda and received.

- M. Scott advised that Report #2023-P-19 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development was approved by the Planning and Economic Development Committee on June 8, 2023 and will be presented to Regional Council on June 28, 2023.
- F) Joint Statement from Ontario's Farm Leaders on Bill 97 and Proposed Provincial Planning Statement

Joint Statement from Ontario's Farm Leaders on Bill 97 and Proposed Provincial Planning Statement was provided as Attachment #3 to the Agenda and received.

G) CBC News Article – Farmers Pressure Doug Ford Government to Reverse Course on Housing Plan

CBC News Article entitled Farmers Pressure Doug Ford Government to Reverse Course on Housing Plan was provided as a link to the Agenda and received.

- Z. Cohoon advised that Mike Crawley attended at his farm to prepare the news article. He further advised that M. Crawley was invited to the Durham Agriculture Advisory Committee Farm Tour.
- H) <u>Development of Lands Removed from the Greenbelt</u>

Report #2023-COW-23 of the Chief Administrative Officer – Development of Lands Removed from the Greenbelt was provided as a link to the Agenda and received.

M. Scott advised that Report #2023-COW-23 of the Chief Administrative Officer will be presented to the Committee of the Whole on June 14, 2023 and to Regional Council on June 28, 2023.

I) <u>Brock Backyard Chickens Proposal</u>

Township of Brock's Backyard Chickens Proposal survey was provided as a link to the Agenda and received.

J) Local Food in Durham Region: Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association Annual Update and Ontario Local Food Week

Report #2023-EDT-8 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development – Local Food in Durham Region: Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association Annual Update and Ontario Local Food Week was provided as a link to the Agenda and received.

S. Jibb advised that Report #2023-EDT-8 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development was approved by the Planning and Economic Development Committee on June 8, 2023. She further advised that Rob Alexander, President, Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association delegated to the Planning and Economic Development Committee on June 8, 2023 and it was well received.

K) Durham Environment and Climate Advisory Committee Minutes – April 20, 2023

Durham Environment and Climate Advisory Committee minutes dated April 20, 2023 was provided as a link to the Agenda and received.

6. Other Business

There was no other business.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 starting at 7:30 PM.

8. Adjournment

Moved by D. Risebrough, Seconded by H. Schillings, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM

Respectfully submitted,
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Z.Cohoon, Chair
K. Smith, Committee Clerk

DURHAM NUCLEAR HEALTH COMMITTEE (DNHC) MINUTES

Location

Virtual-Durham Regional Headquarters 605 Rossland Road E, Whitby

Meeting

In an effort to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19, this DNHC meeting was a virtual meeting so that presenters, members, and guests could present and participate without meeting together in the Regional Council Chambers.

Date & Time

June 16, 2023 at 1:00 PM

Members that Participated

Dr. Robert Kyle, Durham Region Health Department (DRHD) (Chair)

Mary-Anne Pietrusiak, DRHD

Phil Dunn, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP)

Raphael McCalla, Ontario Power Generation (OPG)

Loc Nguyen, OPG

Deborah Kryhul, Public Member

Veena Lalman, Public Member

Susan Ebata, Public Member

Deborah Kryhul, Public Member

Janice Dusek, Public Member

Jane Snyder. Public Member

Dr. Lubna Nazneen, Alternate Public Member

Alan Shaddick, Alternate Public Member

Presenters & Assistants

Paulo Correia, DRHD (Secretary)

Dianne San Juan, DRHD (Secretary)

Shannon Lewis, DRHD

Helen Tanevski, DRHD

Leah Wood, DRHD

Anjali Pandya, DRHD

Roger Inacio, DRITD

John Henry, Regional Chair & CEO

Lindsay Hamilton, OPG

John Burta, Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC)

Sarah Eaton, (CNSC)

Carol Gregoris, OPG

Tiasi Ghosh, OPG

Cammie Cheng, OPG

Pejman Asgaripour, OPG

Regrets

Dr. Kirk Atkinson, Ontario Tech University (OTU) Lisa Fortuna, (DRHD) Matthew Cochrane, Alternate Public Member

Dr. Kyle opened the virtual meeting and welcomed everyone.

Land Acknowledgement by Dr. Kyle.

Dr. Kyle mentioned that observers who have questions concerning presentations today, should email or discuss their requests with Dianne San Juan, DNHC Secretary, at dnhc@durham.ca.

Dianne will follow-up with each of the presenters after the meeting with the observers' questions off-line to prevent any duplication of emails and responses. Dianne will report back to Dr. Kyle the outcomes of the questions received.

1. Approval of Agenda

The Revised Agenda was adopted.

2. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of April 20, 2023 meeting were adopted as written.

3. Correspondence

- 3.1 Complete Record of Decision Canadian Nuclear Laboratories' (CNL's) Application for Renewal of Licence for Port Hope Project; Received April 20, 2023 from the CNSC
- 3.2 CNSC renews OPG's waste facility operating licence for its Darlington Waste Management Facility; Received April 20, 2023 from OPG
- 3.3 Update on the Darlington New Nuclear Project (DNNP) 2022 In Review; Received April 24, 2023 from OPG
- 3.4 Darlington Nuclear Generating Station (NGS) Community Advisory Council (CAC) January 24, 2023 meeting agenda, presentations, and minutes; Received on May 4, 2023 from Francis Gillis, Pickering NGS CAC
- 3.5 Pickering NGS CAC January 17, 2023 meeting agenda, presentations, and minutes; Received on May 4, 2023 from Francis Gillis, Pickering NGS CAC
- 3.6 Darlington NGS CAC March 28, 2023 meeting agenda and minutes; Received May 7, 2023 from Francis Gillis, Darlington NGS CAC

3.7 Pickering NGS CAC March 21, 2023 meeting agenda and minutes; Received May 7, 2023 from Francis Gillis, Pickering NGS CAC

3.8 Correspondence received from Dr. Barry Neil to advise of his resignation from the DNHC. Paulo Correia thanked him on behalf of Dr. Kyle and the DNHC for his contributions; Received May 9, 2023

4. Presentations

All meeting presentations will be made available on the Council and Committee Meetings Calendar. PDF files for each presentation can be accessed using the addendum HTML link provided for each meeting. A video recording of meetings can be viewed using the webstreaming link provided approximately two weeks after each meeting.

4.1 CNSC Update on the Darlington New Nuclear Project (DNNP)

Presented by Sarah Eaton, Director of Advanced Reactor Licensing Division, CNSC

Highlights of the presentation included:

An overview of the CNSC

- CNSC's mandate is to regulate the use of nuclear energy and materials to protect communities, workers and the environment, ensure peaceful use of nuclear energy, and share objective, scientific, technical and regulatory information to the public.
- CNSC regulates ALL nuclear-related activities in Canada from uranium mines and mills, and processing facilities, the use of nuclear substances and radiation devices, nuclear reactors and nuclear waste facilities.
- Decisions to grant a licence are made by an Independent Commission tribunal

 members are independent from staff; proceedings are webcast and publicly available at nuclearsafety.gc.ca
- CNSC will be transitioning to a new president in the coming months
- CNSC staff responsibilities implement Commission decisions, develop regulatory requirements and guidance, verifying and enforce licensee compliance with regulatory requirements, and communicate with the public and Indigenous Nations and communities through outreach and engagement programs

DNNP overview and licence application

 OPG proposed construction and operation of up to four new nuclear reactors at the existing Darlington site (up to 4,800 MWe)

- Environmental Assessment (EA) completed in 2009; technology was not selected initially; has now selected the BWRX-300 technology and must demonstrate that the technology fits within the bounds of the 2009 EA
- In 2022, OPG submitted a licence to construct application for one reactor
- DNNP timeline discussed (slide 9)
- Currently still in technical review and commission proceedings will be held in January 2024 and tentatively October 2024

BWRX-300 Technology

Boiling water technology able to generate 300 MWe

DNNP licencing and hearing process

- Licence to construct application submitted in October 2022
- Engagement with Indigenous Nations and Communities, stakeholders and the public is continuous throughout the process
- Licencing application process overview discussed
- Technical review process 14 safety and control areas, including safety, radiation protection programs, decommissioning, etc.; iterative process where additional information is requested from OPG (licensee) and new information is received and reviewed; process continues until staff are satisfied all requirements are met
- Public hearings Hearing 1 Jan 2024 (whether the BWRX-300 reactor technology chosen by OPG is within the bounds of the 2009 DNNP EA); hearing 2 (licence to construct decision) depends on outcome of hearing 1
- Joint Review Panel recommendation 1 the technology selected falls within the bounds of the original EA; if the selected technology is fundamentally different from the technology bound by the Plant Parameter Envelope (PPE), the panel recommends a new EA be conducted
- CNSC created a "What We Heard" report summarizing outcomes of the CNSC April 2023 workshop regarding OPG's selected technology, this report is being finalized and will be made publicly available on nuclearsafety.gc.ca.

Upcoming events

- CNSC technical review is ongoing
- Public CNSC webinars on the DNNP June 20 and 22
- Hearing 1 in January 2024

CNSC's review of OPG's Licence to Construct application

 OPG's submission will be assessed against key nuclear regulations – full list available on website https://www.cnsc-ccsn.gc.ca/eng/acts-and-regulations/regulatory-documents/index.cfm; staff available if there are questions

- Licence issued when applicant (OPG) is deemed qualified; qualifications discussed protecting health and safety, national security and adhering to international obligations, etc.
- Hearing 2 dependent on outcome of hearing 1; tentatively scheduled
 October 2024; participant funding for involvement in hearing 2 will be opened
 later this year or early next year; subscribe to email list to hear more
- CNSC Open house on all regional projects in Oshawa Sept 26, 2023

Resources shared:

Staff who work on this project available for questions: Dnnp-npnd@cnsc-ccsn.gc.ca

Open Government link - <u>Darlington New Nuclear Project - Information and Reports - Open Government Portal (canada.ca)</u>

Upcoming webinar <u>Webinar: Darlington New Nuclear Project – Upcoming</u> licensing review - Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (cnsc-ccsn.gc.ca)

Dr. Kyle questions and comments:

- 1) "What We Heard" report please send to DNHC via Dianne
- 2) Information for participant funding for hearing 2 also to be shared with Dianne; inquiries can also be emailed

4.2 Progress Report by OPG's DNNP Team concerning its future development of a Small Modular Reactor (SMR) at the Darlington site

Presented by Carol Gregoris, Project Director, SMR and Cammie Cheng, Senior Manager, Environment Health & Safety, OPG

Highlights of the presentation included:

Presentation began with a territory acknowledgement and treaties statement

Summary of the project and summary of Environment Impact Statement (EIS) review

- location of project: north shore of Lake Ontario, east of existing Darlington NGS
- original EA was based on up to four new nuclear power reactors to produce up to 4,800 megawatts of electrical generating capacity; in 2021, OPG announced going forward with BWRX-300 technology; reviews of the PPE and EIS will confirm that BWRX-300 fits within the original PPE
- Site layout discussed; existing NGS, BWRX-300, waste management facility, exclusion zone (about 914 m for Darlington, for BWRX-300, 350 m)

Technology overview: BWRX-300

- lots of SMRs being developed today, but can be different in fuel formats and how heat moves through
- BWRX same technology as a lot of other reactors around the world; the fuel design for this reactor has been used in operation for over 15 years
- BWR boiling water reactor; X tenth generation of this type of reactor; 300 megawatts of electrical output
- cylindrical reactor building; footprint of facility is approximately the size of a football field

Timelines (pending regulatory approvals from CNSC)

- Site preparation licence to prepare the site (2021), non-nuclear construction activities have started
- Oct 2022 licence to construct application submitted
- Goal: license to operate submit in early 2026; commercial operation 2029
- What's driving the timeline? Reducing reliance on fossil fuels, in Ontario and around the world; electrification demand will increase once we start transferring fossil-based systems to electric; need to move forward quickly and safely for climate change considerations

Environmental Assessment

- EIS submitted by OPG in 2009 at the time no technology was selected; based on a bounding framework which considered various reactor technologies, known as a PPE
- Commitments report outlines commitments made by OPG during the EA process
- After selection of BWRX-300 technology, OPG committed to an assessment of effects for the BWRX-300 parameters that were not within the PPE and a review of the EIS for the deployment of the BWRX-300 to ensure that the results of the EIS remain valid

Plant Parameter Envelope

- PPE listing of values that can be used in the EA and licence applications to assist in predicting the potential safety and environmental effects
- The PPE used for the DNNP 198 design parameters
- BWRX-300 design compared to PPE 9 parameters outside of original PPE;
 these were discussed; the EIS review determined the conclusions of the EIS are not impacted and remain valid
- Examples discussed, such as:
 - Deeper embedment of reactor groundwater impacts reviewed; only impacted during construction phase, no permanent changes to

- groundwater flow and levels; BWRX-300 actually has no impacts to original conclusions in EIS
- Activity of isotope of airborne releases and solid radioactive waste doses found to be within regulatory limits and no impact to conclusions in EIS
- Conclusions of the EIS remain unchanged; PPE report has been updated

Environment Impact Statement Review

- EIS review report considers the environmental impact of deploying up to 4 BWRX-300 SMRs at the Darlington site; EIS review being undertaken to support license to construct application; high level approach discussed
- What are the likely effects of the project? Mitigation measures and design features to reduce or eliminate and effects? Are there residual effects (can be positive or adverse)? If there are adverse effects, these are to be reviewed to determine if significant
- Likely effects of 13 environmental components, including atmospheric, radiation/radiation activity, human and ecological health, effects of the environment (flooding, etc.), malfunctions, accidents and malevolent acts, etc.
- EIS review summary of results:
 - BWRX-300 has a smaller footprint smaller physical size and electrical power, less excavation, lower atmospheric emissions, lower noise, able to retain some habitat; additional studies conducted and found residual adverse effects expected to be minor
 - BWRX-300 deployment utilizes once-through lake water cooling; the cooling tower structures considered as options in the original EIS no longer apply
 - no radiological liquid effluent released during normal operation of the facility – a positive change (previous EIS considered emissions to lake)
 - BWRX-300 will require less marine and shoreline works lake infilling not required, reduced effects for lake water circulation patterns, shoreline processes and temperature at mouth of Darlington Creek; residual effects from vibration and changes to groundwater (GW) flow anticipated to be minor; residual adverse effects for aquatic biota during construction of lake infill and cooling water intake and discharge structures anticipated to be less
- Summary of results discussed; EA follow up and monitoring program remains suitable for BWRX-300 deployment to verify predictions of environmental effects identified in the EA and to determine effectiveness of mitigation measures
- Community engagement efforts discussed; preparing for Jan 2024 hearing with CNSC

Questions:

1) Dr. Lubna Nazneen: Besides being small sized facility what were the other reasons to select the SMR?

Over 100 technologies were reviewed; in 2021, these were reduced to 3 technologies. When evaluated against at least a dozen criteria, established risks and benefits, safety, costs, economic impacts to area, we rated a short list of technologies and based on this, BWRX was selected. The BWR already had a lot of operating experience, GE Hitachi was an experienced designer and had a good safety record.

- 3 kinds of SMRs were discussed and why they chose a grid scale design for Darlington site
- 2) Susan Ebata: Will there be any monitoring for community health effects pre and post operation undertaken, besides the environmental monitoring?

We look at concentrations in various environmental media to determine public dose and compared these concentrations to public dose limits. We also conduct environmental risk assessments which look at emissions from the site and compare to health benchmarks to determine effects to human and non-human biota surrounding the facility.

3) Mary-Anne Pietrusiak: Other than waste storage, are there other shared facilities between the current Darlington NGS and the BWRX-300 SMRs?

There will be shared facilities and services. OPG will be looking for options to run facilities as efficiently as possible; the full extent has not been confirmed at this stage.

4) Dr. Kyle: The previous presenter made reference to a "What We Heard" report – is OPG expected to respond to issues raised from this report? What are the impacts to OPG from CNSC's "What We Heard" report?

OPG will not be responding directly to this report but will be taking the feedback from stakeholders and build it into plans and future communications to provide more clarity.

5) Dr. Kyle: The Independent Electricity Supply Operator (IESO) is the reviewer of electricity supply and demand – does the IESO engage with the public? Can DNHC reach out to inquire on this type of information?

The IESO has a good website; it would be worthwhile to inquire about plans for future generation/supply and demand outlooks.

OPG will continue to provide the DNHC with progress reports on the DNNP. More information is available at opg.com.

4.3 Progress Report by OPG concerning its Refurbishment of the Darlington NGS

Presented by Pejman Asgaripour, Project Director, Darlington Refurbishment, OPG

Highlights of the presentation included:

Update on nuclear refurbishment at Darlington

- Discussed budgets, duration \$12.8 B Cdn investment; planning took approximately 10 years
- Project adds sizable economic benefits; adds \$89.9 B to Ontario's GDP
- Refurbishment outage schedule discussed
- Started with unit 2 applied thousands of lessons learned to subsequent units
- Vendor partners discussed; include BWXT, AECON, FOX and Black & McDonald
- June 2020, Unit 2 was reconnected to Ontario's electricity grid, at the height of COVID-19 pandemic; over 4000 lessons learned and will be built into plans for units 3, 1, & 4
- Molybdenum-99 (Mo-99) isotope used in medical diagnostic imaging will be produced in Unit 2 (pending CNSC and Health Canada approval); Unit 2 is the only source in North America
- Unit 3 status update started in Sept 3, 2020; reactor construction complete; undergoing operational testing and CNSC approvals to return the unit to commercial operations; forecasted to be complete Q3 of 2023
- Cobalt-60 (CO-60) isotope production capabilities have been installed into Unit 3 reactor – medical diagnostics and food preservation; Ontario's CANDU reactors produce 50% of the world's supply of Co-60
- Unit 1 status update 2nd refurbishment project on site; a first for Darlington to have 2 different units being refurbished at the same time
- Unit 4 planning phase underway; refurbishment to commence after unit 3 is returned to commercial operation Q3 of 2024
- Refurbishment of all 4 units is on track for completion in 2026

Questions:

No questions or comments received.

The OPG will continue to update the DNHC on the refurbishment of the Darlington NGS. More information is available at opg.com.

5. Communications

5.1 Community Issues at Pickering Nuclear and Darlington Nuclear

Lindsay Hamilton, Senior Manager, Corporate Relations & Projects, OPG, provided an update on Community Issues at Pickering and Darlington and the highlights were:

Operational Performance: Nuclear Update:

- Pickering Units 1, 5, 6, 7 and 8, are operating at or near full power, with Unit 4 in a scheduled maintenance outage.
- Darlington Units 2 & 4 are operating at or close to full power. Units 1 & 3 are currently in refurbishment.

Projects/Site Updates: Revised Evacuation Time Estimates (ETEs)

- Revised ETEs are now finalized and are available on opg.com/nuclearsafety
- Notification emails have been sent to local stakeholders at EMO, Toronto, Durham, Peterborough, OPP, DRPS etc.

Pickering Units 5-8 Operations to 2026:

- OPG submitted a Licence Amendment Application to the CNSC which requests Commission authorization to operate Pickering NGS Units 5-8 to the end of December 2026. The application includes an amendment to the Periodic Safety Review (PSR2). A public hearing will be held at a later date as per Commission procedures.
- As a reminder, the current Pickering Nuclear operating licence includes operations to the end of 2024, followed by safe storage activities to the end of 2028.
- Units 1 and 4 will shut down in 2024 as planned.
- The PSR2 that was completed to support the 2018 license application has been updated for Pickering's Units 5-8 to the end of 2026. The PSR2-B confirmed that the design and operation of structures, systems and components (SSCs) supports the safe commercial operations of Pickering NGS units to the end of 2026.
- Pickering NGS is committed to continuous improvement in safety and has robust comprehensive programs in place that are aligned with industry best practices for ensuring the condition of SSCs are well understood and well maintained.

DNNP - Licence to Construct Application:

- DNNP Workshops: The DNNP team held interactive workshops in support of the current phase of the DNNP. As the first hearing approaches in Jan 2024, the focus was on educating and engaging with key stakeholders on:
 - DNNP Overview and Timelines
 - Environmental Impact Statement Overview
 - Plant Parameter Envelope Overview
- Workshop Dates:
 - June 1: In-person and virtual session for Municipal, regional and provincial stakeholders
 - o June 15: virtual session for non-governmental organizations

Nuclear Sustainability Services – Darlington (NSS-D) Waste Management Facility Re-Licencing:

- In December 2021, OPG submitted its licence renewal application to the CNSC, indicating the intent to renew this licence for another 10-year period.
- The public hearing for the licence renewal application took place with/was hosted by the CNSC in January 2023.
- In April of 2023, the CNSC confirmed renewal of the licence for the NSS-D Waste Management Facility.
- The renewed licence is valid from May 1, 2023 to April 20, 2033.

Community Programing:

- Neighbours Newsletter: the latest newsletter went out over the last few weeks.
- Bring Back the Salmon (BBS) Hatchery Launch Jan. 30: Kickoff BBS
 Hatchery Launch at DNGS Info Centre for the launch of the salmon hatchery.
 Over the course of the last four months, as the Atlantic salmon eggs matured into fry, OPG in partnership with Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, Toronto Recreational Conservation Authority and Central Lake Ontario Conservation delivered a 4-tier program to two classes (4/5 & 5/6). The program helps to educate students on the lifecycle of Atlantic salmon through environmental stewardship activities. The final tier included the release of the salmon fry into a couple of local streams, including Bowmanville Creek, this year.
- Tuesdays on the Trail: Pickering and Darlington Nuclear Corporate Relations is pleased to offer another year of high quality and well-attended summer community programming.
 - OPG welcomes families to attend a two-hour program on select Tuesdays in July and August at Centennial Park (Pickering) in the morning and the Darlington Waterfront Trail (specifically the Darlington Lower Soccer Fields) in the afternoon.
 - OPG will collaborate with a different community partner each week to provide a variety of free, educational programs throughout the summer months.
 - Weekly registration will be offered through www.opg.com.

For more information, please contact Carrie-Anne Atkins, Senior Communications Advisor, Corporate Affairs, Pickering Nuclear, OPG. She can be reached at 416-528-7766 or by e-mail at carrie-anne.atkins@opg.com.

Or:

Lindsay Hamilton, Manager, Corporate Affairs, Darlington Nuclear, OPG, at 905-914-2457 or by e-mail at lindsay.hamilton@opg.com.

6. Other Business

6.1 Future Topics for the DNHC to Consider

Dr. Kyle mentioned the next DNHC meeting is scheduled for September 22, 2023. Theme: Annual Environmental Monitoring Results for Pickering and Darlington NGSs

The Draft Agenda will include:

- Progress report by OPG concerning the Results of the 2022 Environmental Monitoring Program (EMP) for Darlington and Pickering NGSs - Margo Curtis, Environmental Advisor, OPG
- Progress report by OPG concerning the Results of the 2022 Groundwater Monitoring Program (GWMP) at Darlington and Pickering NGSs - Ali Esmaeily, Section Manager, Environment, OPG
- Progress report by the CNL concerning the Port Granby Project Ajit Ghuman, Manager, Port Hope Long-Term Waste Management Facility
- Progress report by the Office of the Regional Chair and Chief Administrative
 Officer concerning the development of the Durham Nuclear Sector Strategy –
 Caitlin Rochon, Manager, Corporate Initiatives, Region of Durham

6.2 Scheduled DNHC Meetings in 2023

- September 22 -Virtual
- November 17 -Virtual

6.3 Mary-Anne Pietrusiak, Manager, Health Analytics and Research, DRHD, and staff representative on the DNHC, has announced her retirement from the DRHD.

Mary-Anne left the following message on the meeting chat: "This is my last DNHC meeting before my retirement. Thank you everyone for all your contributions to this committee. Dr Kyle and I have been members of DNHC since 1996. Au revoir!" We wish Mary-Anne all the best in this next chapter.

6.4 New Members

Dr. Kyle indicated the DNHC is preparing an ad to recruit new committee members in the near future.

7. Next Meeting

Location Virtual MeetingDurham Region Headquarters
605 Rossland Road East, Whitby

Date & Time

September 22, 2023 at 1:00 PM

8. Adjournment 2:58 PM

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

The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

DURHAM REGION ANTI-RACISM TASKFORCE

Thursday, June 22, 2023

A meeting of the Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce was held on Thursday, June 22, 2023 in Meeting Room 1-B, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 7:07 PM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

1. Traditional Territory Acknowledgment

Chair Samuel read the following land acknowledgement:

We are currently located on land which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange among the Mississauga Peoples and is the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississauga of Scugog Island First Nation. We honour, recognize and respect this nation and Indigenous Peoples as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet today.

2. Roll Call

Present:

- B. Goodwin, Commissioner of Corporate Services
- S. Bookal*, Community Member, attended the meeting at 7:12 PM
- S. Byrne, Industry/Association/Public Institution Representative

PG Case, Industry/Association/Public Institution Representative, Vice-Chair

- R. Coelho, Community Member
- A. Frempong, Community Member
- J. Munawa*, Community Member
- C. Oyeniran*, Community Member
- N. Samuel, Industry/Association/Public Institution Representative, Chair
- Councillor Shahid, Regional Council
- K. Vieneer, Community Member, attended the meeting at 7:21 PM
- J. Williamson, Industry/Association/Public Institution Representative
- G. Wilson-Beier, Community Member, attended the meeting at 7:57 PM
- * denotes members of the Committee participating electronically

Absent:

- E. Baxter-Trahair, Chief Administrative Officer
- T. Hancock, Community Member Councillor Lee, Regional Council
- B. Nelson, Industry/Association/Public Institution Representative
- R.O. Pule, Community Member

Staff

- Present: A. Hector-Alexander, Director, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
 - P. Hines, Manager, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
 - H. Mohammed, Policy Coordinator, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
 - A. Sharma, Policy Advisor, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

M. Barta, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT K. Smith, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by A. Frempong, Seconded by PG Case,
That the minutes of the Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce meeting held on Thursday, May 25, 2023, be adopted.

CARRIED

5. Delegations

There were no delegations to be heard.

6. Presentations

A) Gillian Venning, Durham District School Board (DDSB), re: DDSBs New Multi-Year Strategic Plan

The presentation was not heard as Gillian Venning, Durham District School Board, was unable to attend the meeting.

7. Information Items

There were no information items.

8. Discussion Items

A) Group Agreements

The Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce Group Agreements document was provided as Attachment #2 to the Agenda and received.

A. Sharma advised that the Group Agreements document was established based on the information shared at the last meeting and provides conditions on the following three areas: participatory agreements; relational and ethical agreements; and functional agreements.

Discussion ensued with regards to establishing a mission statement, and having the Group Agreements displayed during meetings.

Moved by A. Frempong, Seconded by PG Case,

That the Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce Terms of Reference be amended to reference the Group Agreements.

CARRIED

B) <u>Emancipation Day Event</u>

P. Hines advised that the Emancipation Day Event will be taking place on August 1, 2023 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at the Audley Recreation Centre in the Town of Ajax with the theme being Liberation Legacy Progress. She further advised that Durham Region is working in partnership with the Town of Ajax, Municipality of Clarington, City of Pickering, City of Oshawa, Town of Whitby, Durham Family Culture Centre, The Welcome Centre, Durham Community Action Group, Womxn of Colour, Durham Collective, Unemployment Help Centre, Women's Multicultural Resource Centre, Canadian Jamaican Club of Oshawa, Ifarada Centre for Excellence, and Carea Community Health Centre, now called Durham Community Health Centre. She noted that the Anti-Racism Taskforce and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion subcommittees from Durham Region will be attending the event.

Discussion ensued with regards to Committee members providing support for the event; providing a giveaway at the event; activities for participants; whether children can attend the event; accessibility options for the event; registration for the event; food vendors; providing event flyers to community partners to spread the word; Committee members wearing identifying shirts; pouring of libations from an elder to ground the space; and playing the Black National Anthem.

C) Durham District School Board – Community Agency Networking Fair on August 21, 2023

Anu Sharma advised that the Durham District School Board is hosting a Community Agency Networking Fair on August 21, 2023 and that staff from the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Division will be attending the event. She invited members of the Committee to support the fair and staff a table as representatives of the Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce.

D) DRART Workplan

A. Hector-Alexander advised that the workplan for Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce will be presented to Regional Council in the Fall of 2023. She indicated that the Workplan will be used as a roadmap for the subcommittee working groups and that members of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion team would be available to support and provide resources. A. Hector-Alexander requested that each subcommittee nominate a lead to facilitate the work and provide updates to the Committee at each meeting.

Discussion ensued with regards to finalizing which subcommittee Committee members will be part of; which subcommittee the reporting tool should be placed under; and having subcommittee meetings throughout the summer months.

A. Hector-Alexander advised that the subcommittee updates will be added to the September 28, 2023 agenda.

Moved by Councillor Shahid, Seconded by K. Vieneer,
That the Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce subcommittee working
groups continue to work throughout the summer months.
CARRIED

9. Other Business

A) Caste-Based Discrimination

Councillor Shahid advised that a group of people have reached out to enhance diversity regarding Caste-Based Discrimination being banned in Brampton and the Toronto District School Board and can pass along their information to present to the Committee in the Fall.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Durham Region Anti-Racism Taskforce meeting will be held on Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

11. Adjournment

Moved by PG Case, Seconded by Councillor Shahid, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM

K. Smith, Committee Clerk

Respectfully submitted,		
N. Samuel, Chair		

The Regional Municipality of Durham

Minutes

Energy From Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee

Tuesday, June 27, 2023

A meeting of the Energy From Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, June 27, 2023 in Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, at 7:00 PM. Electronic participation was permitted for this meeting.

1. Roll Call

Present: G. Gordon, Whitby, Chair

G. Best, Whitby

M. Cannon, Oshawa R. Fleming, Pickering

P. Haylock, Clarington, Vice-Chair

K. Palinka, Oshawa T. Shomar, Clarington J. Vinson, Clarington

*all members of the Committee participated electronically

Absent: C. Des Granges, Clarington

Non-Voting Members

Present:

- N. Ratnasingam, Climate Action Response Coordinator, Municipality of Clarington
- L. Reck, Manager of Corporate Performance and Innovation, Municipality of Clarington

Staff

Present:

- M. Barta, Systems Support Specialist Information Technology
- A. Evans, Director, Waste Management Services R. Jagannathan, Acting Commissioner of Works L. Saha, Project Manager, Waste Management
- D. San Juan, Environmental Health Specialist, Health Department, Durham Region
- S. Ciani, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services Legislative Services

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by G. Best, Seconded by T. Shomar,
That the minutes of the EFW-WMAC meeting held on Tuesday,
March 28, 2023, be adopted.
CARRIED

4. Presentations

There were no presentations heard.

5. Delegations

There were no delegations heard.

6. Correspondence

There were no correspondence items to be considered.

7. Administrative Matters

A) EFW-WMAC Work Plan (2023-2024) – Next Steps

A. Evans advised that the EFW-WMAC Workplan was approved by the Works Committee and Regional Council in May. He advised that there are three key areas of the workplan that the Committee can examine:

- 1) Plan and Program Implementation;
- 2) Diversion Program Assessment; and
- 3) Technology and Facility Review.

Discussion ensued regarding what areas of the workplan Committee members would be interested in investigating, and how the Committee can move forward with the workplan such as how the Committee could help in increasing outreach to the community.

Committee members expressed their interest in investigating organics diversion, community outreach activities (such as presenting to elementary and secondary school classes), and investigating what Durham's infrastructure needs are.

8. Other Business

A) Update by Andrew Evans, Director, Waste Management Services, the Regional Municipality of Durham, regarding Oshawa Landfill – Biocover Pilot

A. Evans advised that the Biocover Pilot Systems are comprised of an above ground filter and in-cover bio window that were constructed in May 2023. He advised that these systems will now be evaluated to assess their performance in terms of methane reduction as materials move through the biocover. He

further advised that staff will be reporting to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks (MECP) next Spring, and that an assessment of whether the monitoring should continue will be made.

- A. Evans advised that longer term monitoring would allow staff to see the effectiveness of the biocover over multiple seasons.
- B) Update by Andrew Evans, Director, Waste Management Services, the Regional Municipality of Durham, regarding Community and Outreach Activities
 - A. Evans advised that the Works Department recently hosted a number of successful and well-attended outreach activities such as: compost giveaways throughout the Region; an open house at the Durham York Energy Centre (DYEC) for National Public Works Week (NPPW) that was attended by roughly 180 visitors; staff attendance at several watershed festivals hosted by the Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority (CLOCA); and communications with local schools boards to learn about the Waste programs that staff have developed.
 - A. Evans responded to questions from the Committee regarding online community engagement activities that the Region has completed in the past; whether Committee will be advised of when events are taking place in the Region so that they can share this information within their networks; how residents are accessing the Region's waste management information and how the online calendar can be better utilized/advertised; and the possibility of establishing a Waste Reduction Achievement Award.
- Update by Andrew Evans, Director, Waste Management Services, the Regional Municipality of Durham, regarding Durham Region's Organics Management Project
 - A. Evans advised that the contract for Durham Region's Organics Management Project (for the processing of green bin materials) is out for tender, and that staff are continuing to work on developing a model for multiresidential collection of green bin materials which includes surveying buildings across the Region to assess their readiness. He advised that staff will be looking at a Request for Proposal (RFP) in the Fall and will then be bringing the program to Council for budget approval as it would be a new service program.
- D) Update by Andrew Evans, Director, Waste Management Services, the Regional Municipality of Durham, regarding Extended Producer Responsibility
 - A. Evans advised that the first communities are transitioning to extended producer responsibility (EPR) this weekend, and that Durham is about one year out to transitioning. He advised that staff continue to work with Circular Materials Ontario (CMO) on a number of issues including the use of Waste

Material Facilities (WMF) as collection points, how complaints and inquiries will be processed, and the transition with regards to promotion and education.

In response to a question from the Committee regarding an update on the Region's Material Recovery Facility (MRF), A. Evans advised that last Fall there was a tender put out to the private sector. HGC was the successful bidder and they will be operating the facility under contract to the Region up until Durham's transition to EPR.

- E) Update by Andrew Evans, Director, Waste Management Services, the Regional Municipality of Durham, regarding Durham York Energy Centre
 - A. Evans advised that the Durham York Energy Centre (DYEC) facility remains fully operational with no issues to report.

A. Evans responded to questions from the Committee regarding organizing a DYEC tour for the new Committee members; an update with respect to the 20,000-tonne increase in capacity at the DYEC; and what the effect would be at the DYEC if organics were reduced through diversion.

9. Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the EFW-WMAC will be held on Thursday, September 26, 2023 in Council Chambers, at 7:00 PM, Regional Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

10. Adjournment

Moved by G. Best, Seconded by P. Haylock, That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

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G. Gordon, Chair, Energy from Waste – Waste Management Advisory Committee	
S. Ciani, Committee Clerk	