



**MINUTES**  
**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY FEBRUARY 1, 2021**

The Town of Halton Hills Council met this 1<sup>st</sup>, day of February, 2021 in the Council Chambers, Halton Hills Town Hall and Via Zoom, commencing at 1:04 p.m., with Mayor R. Bonnette in the Chair and reconvened into Open Session at 3:16 p.m. in the Council Chambers and Via Zoom.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor R. Bonnette,  
(EP-Electronic Participation) Councillor C. Somerville (EP), Councillor J. Fogal (EP),  
Councillor M. Albano (EP), Councillor J. Hurst (EP),  
Councillor T. Brown (EP), Councillor B. Lewis,  
Councillor W. Farrow-Reed (EP), Councillor M. Johnson (EP),  
Councillor B. Inglis (EP), Councillor A. Lawlor (EP)

**STAFF PRESENT**  
(Closed Session)  
(E – Electronically Present) C. Mills, Acting Chief Administrative Officer,  
W. Harris, Commissioner of Recreation & Parks (E),  
J. Linhardt, Commissioner of Planning & Development,  
J. Rehill, Commissioner & Chief of Fire Services (E),  
M.J. Leighton, Town Treasurer & Director of Accounting (E),  
L. Lancaster, Acting Commissioner of Corporate Services (E),  
V. Petryniak, Town Clerk,  
B. Andrews, Commissioner of Transportation & Public Works (E),  
M. Southern, Chief Librarian (E)  
A. Fuller, Director of Communications (E)  
S. Spry, Supervisor of Municipal Law Enforcement (E),  
N. Pal, Economic Development & Special Projects Coordinator (E),  
B. Parker, Director of Planning Policy (E),  
D. Szybalski, Director of Economic Development, Innovation & Culture (E),  
R. Cockfield, Director of Strategic Initiatives (E),  
K. Okimi, Director of Parks and Open Space (E)  
R. Brown, Deputy Clerk

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M.J. Leighton, Town Treasurer & Director of Accounting (E),  
B. Andrews, Commissioner of Transportation & Public Works (E),  
V. Petryniak, Town Clerk

**\* Denotes Change From Council Agenda**

**1. OPENING OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor R. Bonnette called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

**2. CLOSED MEETING/CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS**

Resolution No. 2021-0005

Moved by: Councillor B. Inglis

Seconded by: Councillor W. Farrow-Reed

THAT the Council of the Town of Halton Hills meet in closed session in order to address the following matters:

2.1 OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN-2021-0007 dated January 13, 2021 regarding a position, plan, procedure or instructions to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board. (Fee Waiver Request)

2.2 OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN-2021-0001 dated January 13, 2021 regarding personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. (Medical Subsidy Program)

2.3 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT NO. PD-2021-0006 dated January 21, 2021 regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. (OPA31 and 31B)

2.4 Verbal Update by Mayor R. Bonnette and C. Mills, Acting Chief Administrative Officer regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board. (Park Land)

**CARRIED**

Convened into Closed Session at 1:04 p.m.

### **3. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**

Resolution No. 2021-0016

Moved by: Councillor W. Farrow-Reed

Seconded by: Councillor T. Brown

THAT the Council for the Town of Halton Hills reconvene this meeting in open session.

**CARRIED**

Council reconvened in Open Session at 3:16 p.m.

### **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **4.1 Black History Month - African Caribbean Council of Halton (ACCH)**

Mayor R. Bonnette announced that February is Black History Month, recognized the African Caribbean Council of Halton (ACCH); their contributions to this important, designated month of awareness that honours the legacy of Black Canadians and shared information about the Town's programming.

#### **4.2 Mayoral Appointments to Committees**

Mayor R. Bonnette announced that Councillor M. Albano has been appointed Chair of the Community Improvement Plan Steering Committee, Councillor B. Lewis has been appointed Chair of the Southeast Georgetown Secondary Plan Steering Committee and Councillor's C. Somerville and T. Brown have also been appointed as members of the Southeast Georgetown Secondary Plan Steering Committee.

#### **4.3 Jon Rehill New Fire Chief (Commissioner of Fire Services and Fire Chief)**

Mayor R. Bonnette welcomed Jon Rehill as the new Commissioner and Chief of Fire Services.

### **5. EMERGENCY BUSINESS MATTERS**

NIL

**6. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST/CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Councillor J. Hurst declared a pecuniary/conflict of interest with respect to Item No. 2.1 (Report No. ADMIN-2021-0007) of these minutes as he has a business relationship with an organization featured in the report. He was not present during the discussion regarding this matter and did not vote on this matter.

Councillor J. Hurst declared a pecuniary/conflict of interest with respect to Item Nos. 11.1, 11.2 and 11.3 of these minutes (Minutes of the Acton BIA Board of Management Meetings) as he is an owner and landlord of a commercial property in Downtown Acton. He did not participate in any discussion or voting on this matter.

**7. COUNCIL DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

NIL

**8. RESOLUTION PREPARED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S) OF COUNCIL**

Resolution No. 2021-0017

Moved by: Councillor B. Lewis

Seconded by: Councillor A. Lawlor

THAT the following minutes are hereby approved:

8.1 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on January 11, 2021.

8.2 Minutes of the Council Workshop held on January 11, 2021.

8.3 Confidential Minutes of the Council Meeting held on January 11, 2021.

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**CARRIED**

**9. GENERAL COMMITTEE**

Resolution No. 2021-0018

Moved by: Councillor M. Albano

Seconded by: Councillor B. Inglis

THAT Council do now convene into General Committee.

**CARRIED**

**9.1 Delegations/Presentations regarding items in General Committee**

**a. Opening Remarks by Damian Szybalski, Director of Economic Development, Innovation and Culture with a Presentation by Aileen Murray, President of Mellor Murray Consulting**

D. Szybalski, Director of Economic Development, Innovation and Culture provided opening remarks and Aileen Murray, President of Mellor Murray Consulting made a presentation regarding the 5-Year Economic Development Strategy.

(PowerPoint on file in the Clerk's Office)

**b. Kevin Okimi , Director of Parks and Open Space**

K. Okimi, Director of Parks and Open Space made a presentation regarding Fairy Lake Water Quality Update.

(PowerPoint on file in the Clerk's Office)

**9.2 Municipal Officers Reports to be Considered by General Committee**

**a. OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN-2021-0002 dated January 14, 2021, regarding the Town's new 5-Year Economic Development and Tourism Strategy (2021-2026)**

Recommendation No. GC-2021-0006

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2021-0002, dated January 14, 2021, regarding the Town's new 5-Year Economic Development and Tourism Strategy (2021-2026), be received for information;

AND FURTHER THAT the Economic Development and Tourism Strategy (2021-2026), as well as the Economic Development and Tourism Strategy Summary, appended to this report, be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT Town staff bring back to Council an Implementation Plan, and the Economic Recovery and Resilience Framework for the Economic Development and Tourism Strategy.

**CARRIED**

- b. **RECRATION AND PARKS REPORT NO. RP-2021-0003 dated January 18, 2021 regarding the Fairy Lake Water Quality Study Update Project Charter and Terms of Reference.**

Recommendation No. 2021-0007

THAT Report RP-2021-0003 dated January 18, 2021 regarding the Fairy Lake Water Quality Study Update Project Charter and Terms of Reference be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the project charter attached as Appendix B to Report RP-2021-0003 be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT staff be directed to proceed with the issuance of a Request for Proposal for the Fairy Lake Water Quality Study Update as outlined in Appendix C of Report RP-2021-0003;

AND FURTHER THAT staff report back on the Fairy Lake Water Quality Update project as outlined in Report RP-2021-0003.

**CARRIED**

- c. **OFFICE OF THE CAO MEMORANDUM NO. ADMIN-2021-0003 dated January 27, 2021 regarding UNESCO Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities Resolution.**

Recommendation No. GC-2021-0008

THAT Memorandum No. ADMIN-2021-0003 dated January 27, 2021 regarding UNESCO Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities Resolution be received for information.

**CARRIED**

- d. **OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN-2021-0004 dated January 13, 2021 regarding updates to the Tourism Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference.**

Recommendation No. GC-2021-0009

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2021-0004, dated January 13, 2021 regarding updates to the Tourism Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council approve updates to the Tourism Advisory Committee's Terms of Reference, as set out in in this report and in Appendix 1.

**CARRIED**

- e. **OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN 2021-0009 dated February 1, 2021 regarding the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Halton Hills and Halton Environmental Network.**

Recommendation No. GC-2021-0010

THAT Report No. 2021-0009, dated February 1, 2021 regarding the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Halton Hills and Halton Environmental Network be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Halton Environmental Network (HEN) in the amount of \$10,000.00 in exchange for HEN assisting with implementation of climate change initiatives outlined in the attached Appendix known as Schedule 'One', and subject to HEN meeting the requirements of and signing a MOU with the Town of Halton Hills;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and the Town Clerk be authorized to execute a MOU between the Town and HEN on behalf of the Town of Halton Hills;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this report and the associated Council recommendation be forwarded to HEN.

**CARRIED**

- f. **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT NO. PD-2021-0003 dated December 15, 2020 regarding the Region of Halton's proposed modifications to the Premier Gateway Phase 1B Secondary Plan (Official Plan Amendments No. 31A and 31B).**

Recommendation No. GC-2021-0011

THAT Report PD-2021-0003 dated December 15, 2020 regarding the Region of Halton's proposed modifications to the Premier Gateway Phase 1B Secondary Plan (Official Plan Amendments No. 31A and 31B) be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the proposed modifications set out in the Region of Halton's post circulation letter dated December 7, 2020 and attached as Appendix A to this report be endorsed;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town Clerk forward a copy of this report to the Director of Planning Services and Chief Planning Official at the Region of Halton for review and consideration as part of the Region's final disposition of the Secondary Plan and related Official Plan Amendments.

**CARRIED**

- g. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT NO. PD-2021-0004 dated 13 January 2021 regarding Removal of a Listed Property from the Heritage Register – 10874 Steeles Avenue.**

Recommendation No. GC-2021-0012

THAT Report PD-2021-0004 dated 13 January 2021 regarding Removal of a Listed Property from the Heritage Register – 10874 Steeles Avenue be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the property at 10874 Steeles Avenue be removed from the Heritage Register.

**CARRIED**

- h. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT NO. PD-2021-0005 dated January 18, 2021 regarding the License Agreements to permit the installation of monitoring wells/probes below the surface of certain Town-owned lands in the vicinity of 24 Ontario Street and 2 Glen Road, Georgetown, in order to conduct water/soil sampling, testing and monitoring activities.**

Recommendation No. GC-2021-0013

THAT Report No. PD-2021-0005 dated January 18, 2021 regarding the License Agreements to permit the installation of monitoring wells/probes below the surface of certain Town-owned lands in the vicinity of 24 Ontario Street and 2 Glen Road, Georgetown, in order to conduct water/soil sampling, testing and monitoring activities, be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Council enact the necessary by-law to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the necessary License Agreements, for the purpose of installing monitoring wells/probes to



conduct sampling, testing and monitoring activities below the surface of certain Town-owned lands in the vicinity of 24 Ontario Street and 2 Glen Road, Georgetown for a period of 10 years, with the option for renewal for a further 5 years, for the benefit of those properties;

AND FURTHER THAT such the terms and conditions of the License Agreements be to the satisfactory to the Commissioner of Transportation & Public Works.

**CARRIED**

**i. OFFICE OF THE CAO MEMORANDUM NO. ADMIN-2021-0001 dated January 11, 2021 regarding Halton Hills Digital Main Street Program.**

Recommendation No. GC-2021-0014

THAT Memorandum No. ADMIN-2021-0001 dated January 11, 2021 regarding Halton Hills Digital Main Street Program be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**9.3 Adjourn back into Council**

Recommendation No. GC-2021-0015

THAT General Committee do now reconvene into Council.

**CARRIED**

**10. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FORWARDED FROM GENERAL COMMITTEE FOR APPROVAL**

Resolution No. 2021-0019

Moved by: Councillor M. Johnson

Seconded by: Councillor M. Albano

THAT the recommendations regarding the Reports & Memorandums from the Monday, February 1, 2021 General Committee Meeting are hereby adopted:

GC-2021-0006, GC-2021-0007, GC-2021-0008, GC-2021-0009, GC-2021-0010, GC-2021-0011, GC-2021-0012, GC-2021-0013, GC-2021-0014

**CARRIED**

## **11. RECEIPT OF MINUTES OF ADVISORY/SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

Resolution No. 2021-0020

Moved by: Councillor T. Brown

Seconded by: Councillor W. Farrow-Reed

THAT the following minutes are hereby received for information:

- 11.1 Minutes of the Acton Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management Meeting held on November 16, 2020
- 11.2 Minutes of the Acton Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management held on December 7, 2020.
- 11.3 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Acton Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board held on December 7, 2020.
- 11.4 Minutes of the Halton Hills Public Library Board Meeting held on December 9, 2020.
- 11.5 Minutes of the Downtown Georgetown Business Improvement Area (BIA) Board of Management held on December 15, 2020.

**CARRIED**

## **12. PETITIONS/COMMUNICATIONS/MOTIONS**

### **12.1 Digital Main Street**

Resolution No. 2021-0021

Moved by: Mayor R. Bonnette

Seconded by: Councillor J. Fogal

WHEREAS The Digital Main Street Program was successful in supporting local main street businesses in the Town of Halton Hills, including businesses located within the Acton and Georgetown Business Improvement Areas (BIAs), as well as in Glen Williams and Norval;

AND WHEREAS The Digital Service Squad member was employed by the Town of Halton Hills for 10 weeks, as per the funding agreement with Digital Main Street, from October to December 2020;

AND WHEREAS as part of the program, Halton Hills hired a Digital Service Squad member who reached out to over 150 local main street businesses across a wide range of sectors, including retail, arts and culture, health and wellness, and restaurants; and supported 67 businesses with expanding and building their virtual presence and e-commerce capabilities;

AND WHEREAS with the assistance of the Town's Digital Service Squad member, eligible businesses were able to apply for a \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant, administered by the Ontario Business Improvement Area Association (OBIAA), to purchase hardware and higher quality digital tools, resulting in nearly \$60,000 being provided to support local businesses;

AND WHEREAS as of December 31, 2020, applications for both the \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant and new applications for Digital Service Squad support have been closed to new applications awaiting potential renewal of funding;

AND WHEREAS with the Province being placed in a Shutdown starting on December 26, 2020, the need for online and digital channels for small businesses to interact with customers and generate revenues has been further elevated;

AND WHEREAS the Town established the Economic Support and Recovery Task Force to help respond to COVID-19 challenges faced by local businesses through early and coordinated action;

AND WHEREAS the Town completed a survey of businesses to determine the need for potential additional COVID-19 supports, and the need for enhanced e-commerce capability and funding were identified to be of priority;

AND WHEREAS businesses outside of the Digital Main Street Program eligible catchment area also require e-commerce and funding supports in order to be able to respond to the unprecedented challenges caused by COVID-19.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills call on the provincial and federal governments to:

- Renew the Digital Service Squad support and \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant;
- Expand the Digital Transformation Grant to be available to businesses and also previously eligible non-profit organizations that are located outside of Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) since the initial program restricted applications to businesses located in commercially zoned main street areas such as those located in BIA areas;
- Commit to a minimum 2-year funding extension to the Digital Main Street program;

AND FURTHER THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills, in collaboration with the Chair of the Town's Economic Support and Recovery Task Force, be directed to write a letter advocating for the extension and expansion of the Digital Main Street Program and Digital

Transformation Grant to the Provincial Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, and Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction, and the Federal Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages, and Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade;

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed to send a copy of the letter and resolution to Michael Chong, Wellington-Halton Hills MP, Ted Arnott, Wellington-Halton Hills MPP, Halton Region, Town of Milton, City of Burlington, Town of Oakville, FCM, AMO, GTHA Mayors and Chairs, Ontario Business Improvement Area Association (OBIAA), Toronto Association of Business Improvement Areas (TABIA), Tourism Industry Association of Ontario (TIAO), Ontario Restaurant, Hotel and Motel Association (ORHMA), Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC), Large Urban Mayors Caucus of Ontario (LUMCO), Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario (MARCO), Small Urban GTHA Mayors, Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce, Acton Business Improvement Area, Georgetown Business Improvement Area, Milton Chamber of Commerce, Burlington Chamber of Commerce and Oakville Chamber of Commerce.

**CARRIED**

## **12.2 Halton Region Provincial Court Facility**

### Resolution No. 2021-0022

Moved by: Councillor C. Somerville

Seconded by: Mayor R. Bonnette

WHEREAS on December 16, 2020, the Council for the Regional Municipality of Halton unanimously adopted a Resolution regarding Halton Region Provincial Court Facility (Appendix A to this Motion);

AND WHEREAS Council for the Town of Halton Hills agrees with the statements contained within the Region of Halton Resolution with respect to the inadequate and antiquated regional court facility situated at 491 Steeles Avenue Milton, Ontario and the need for a new court facility.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills supports Halton Regions Resolution and calls upon the Province of Ontario to design and build a new court facility that is adequate to meet the needs both current and future within the Region of Halton, giving proper consideration to the ongoing modernization initiatives;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario work with the various partners of the justice system designing and delivering an adequate and sufficiently scaled regional court facility for the Region of Halton, and do

so in a timely fashion in order to address the ongoing and ever growing issues, including health and safety issues, with the current facility;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Minister Doug Downey, Minister Laurie Scott, Minister Sylvia Jones, Halton MPP's, AMO, Halton Regional Police Service, Halton Region, City of Burlington, Town of Milton and Town of Oakville.

**CARRIED**

### **12.3 Sick Pay**

Resolution No. 2021-0023

Moved by: Mayor R. Bonnette

Seconded by: Councillor M. Johnson

WHEREAS on January 20, 2021 Council for the Regional Municipality of Halton adopted a resolution with respect to Sick Pay (Attached as Appendix A to this Motion);

AND WHEREAS Council for the Town of Halton Hills agrees with the statements contained in the Halton Region Resolution, and recognizes that the COVID-19 pandemic and rise in workplace transmission has highlighted the crucial need for paid sick time so workers, particularly precarious and or essential services, do not choose to go to work sick due to economic hardship;

AND WHEREAS Council for the Town of Halton Hills also recognizes that the lack of paid sick days, financial/income supports, and sick leave protection are known barriers to COVID-19 control measures, including testing and isolation, due to fear of income loss and financial hardship.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council for the Town of Halton Hills calls on the Government of Ontario and the Government of Canada to provide longer, better funded sick leave to help address the ongoing spread of COVID-19;

AND FURTHER THAT the Town Clerk circulate this motion to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister; the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier; the Honourable Patty Hadju, Federal Minister of Health; the Honourable Christine Elliott, Provincial Minister of Health; Large Urban Mayors Caucus of Ontario (LUMCO), Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario (MARCO), Small Urban GTHA Mayors, Halton Region MPs, MPPs, FCM, AMO, Halton Region, City of Burlington, Town of Milton and Town of Oakville.

**CARRIED**

#### **12.4 Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities**

Resolution No. 2021-0024

Moved by: Mayor R. Bonnette

Seconded by: Councillor J. Fogal

WHEREAS the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities is an international network that currently includes 82 Canadian municipal members;

AND WHEREAS joining the Coalition, signing the Declaration to Join the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities, and working actively towards the Coalition's ten commitments will assist the Town in developing its strategy to help build an inclusive and equitable community for all residents, that respects and positively influences the lives of diverse and racialized persons, indigenous peoples, visible minorities, people with disabilities, and the LGBTQ2S+ community;

AND WHEREAS the Coalition will provide a network of support and resources to assist the Town in combating racism and discrimination;

AND WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) endorses the Coalition and encourages its' members to join;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Halton Hills Council supports joining the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities and working actively towards the Coalition's ten commitments;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor sign the Declaration on behalf of the Town of Halton Hills to Join the Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities.

**CARRIED**

#### **12.5 Request to Extend the Consultation Period for the Regional Official Plan Review**

Resolution No. 2021-0025

Moved by: Councillor J. Fogal

Seconded by: Mayor R. Bonnette

WHEREAS Halton Region is currently conducting a municipal comprehensive review (MCR) of its Official plan whereby decisions must be made as to how all of the population and employment growth is to be accommodated in the local municipalities for the next 30 years;

AND WHEREAS since June 2019 the Province has amended a number of Provincial Statutes and policies that impact how municipalities plan for growth including the following:

- The Provincial Policy Statement,
- A Place to Grow: The Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe,
- The Development Charges Act,
- The Planning Act,
- The Environmental Assessment Act, and
- The Conservation Authorities Act;

AND WHEREAS these significant changes include:

- reduced density targets in new greenfield development from 80 persons and jobs per hectare to 50 persons and jobs per hectare,
- reduced intensification targets from 60% beyond 2031 to 50%,
- setting minimum population and employment growth forecasts that can be exceeded subject to Provincial approval,
- extended the planning horizon from 2041 to the year 2051,
- introduced market demand as a consideration in determining the housing mix, and
- revisions to how municipalities fund growth

AND WHEREAS these and other changes signal an abrupt shift from the emphasis on creating compact and complete communities to a planning regime that facilitates lower density and car dependent communities;

AND WHEREAS Halton Hills, Burlington, Oakville, Milton and Halton Region have all declared climate change emergencies and must consider the role of land use planning in their strategies to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions;

AND WHEREAS these changes create pressure to convert more class 1, 2 and 3 farmland in Halton to urban uses than would otherwise be necessary which is contrary to Halton's Official Plan and its 2019-2022 Strategic Plan, which both have as a goal to protect a permanent agricultural system in Halton;

AND WHEREAS the change of the planning horizon to 2051 means that future municipal councils and the public will have little power to change decisions about how they will grow for the next 30 years;

AND WHEREAS Halton Hills has adopted a public engagement charter that is based on transparency, notification and participation;

AND WHEREAS the current pandemic is making effective, in person public consultation impossible at a time when robust, informed public consultation is needed more than ever.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Region of Halton be requested to delay its final report on its Official Plan Review until proper, in person, informed consultation with the public has been conducted;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province be requested to suspend the timetable for municipal conformity to the Growth Plan and the Provincial Policy Statement to ensure that the public can fully participate in the process of planning their communities for the next 30 years of growth;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to Premier Doug Ford, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Halton Region, local Halton municipalities, AMO, leader of the Provincial opposition parties, MPP Ted Arnott and GTA Small Urban Mayors.

**Recorded Vote:**

**In Favour:** Mayor R. Bonnette, Councillor M. Albano, Councillor J. Hurst, Councillor T. Brown, Councillor B. Lewis, Councillor M. Johnson, Councillor W. Farrow-Reed, Councillor B. Inglis, Councillor A. Lawlor  
**Opposed:** NIL

**CARRIED**

## **12.6 Speed Reduction on Local Roads**

Resolution No. 2021-0026

Moved by: Councillor J. Fogal

Seconded by: Councillor C. Somerville

WHEREAS speeding on local roads is a concern in many neighbourhoods throughout the Town of Halton Hills;

AND WHEREAS when vehicle operating speeds on these streets are measured by speed devices they are frequently travelling at or under the default speed limit of 50 kmh;

AND WHEREAS residents indicate that vehicles traveling at 50 kmh is too fast for the safety of their family members;

AND WHEREAS the Active Transportation Advisory Committee discussed the issue of speeding on local roads and recommended at their January



26<sup>th</sup> 2021 meeting that the Town investigate lowering the speed limit on specific local roads.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that staff investigate the experience of other municipalities such as Hamilton, Toronto, Middlesex Centre, Surrey, Vancouver and Oakville that have begun programs to reduce speed limits on selected local streets or in some cases a blanket speed limit reduction across all local streets and report back on the efficacy of these programs in terms of reduced driving speed by road users;

AND FURTHER THAT staff develop a pilot project comprised of both urban and rural residential sites to test speed reduction strategies that combine traffic calming measures and speed reduction signage to determine if the selected combination of measures produces measurable benefits along with implementation costs;

AND FURTHER THAT staff report back on emerging traffic calming technology that will be available in the near future to assist in reducing speeding within the municipality;

AND FURTHER THAT the town consider traffic calming strategies in the planning and design of new streets in Vision Georgetown and other new neighbourhoods in the Town.

**CARRIED**

**13. ADVANCE NOTICE OF MOTION**

NIL

**14. MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE GENERAL INFORMATION PACKAGE**

Resolution No. 2021-0027

Moved by: Councillor W. Farrow-Reed

Seconded by: Councillor T. Brown

THAT the General Information Package dated February 1, 2021 be received.

**CARRIED**

**15. MOTION TO APPROVE CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

**2.1**

**OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN-2021-0007 dated January 13, 2021 regarding a position, plan, procedure or instructions to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board. (Fee Waiver Request)**

Resolution No. 2021-0028

Moved by: Councillor C. Somerville

Seconded by: Councillor B. Inglis

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2021-0007, dated January 13, 2021, regarding a position, plan, procedure or instructions to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board (Fee Waiver Request) be deferred to the March 1, 2021 Council Meeting.

**CARRIED**

**2.2**

**OFFICE OF THE CAO REPORT NO. ADMIN-2021-0001 dated January 13, 2021 regarding personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees. (Medical Subsidy Program)**

Resolution No. 2021-0029

Moved by: Councillor M. Albano

Seconded by: Councillor A. Lawlor

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2021-0001 dated January 13, 2021 regarding personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees be received;

AND FURTHER THAT Staff carry out Council's direction on this matter as set out in the Confidential Minutes dated February 1, 2021.

**CARRIED**

## 2.3

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT NO. PD-2021-0006 dated January 21, 2021 regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. (OPA31 and 31B)**

Resolution No. 2021-0030

Moved by: Councillor M. Johnson

Seconded by: Councillor C. Somerville

THAT Report No. PD-2021-0006 dated January 21, 2021 regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose. (OPA 31A and 31B) be received for information.

**CARRIED**

## 2.4

**Verbal Update by Mayor R. Bonnette and C. Mills, Acting Chief Administrative Officer regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board. (Park Land)**

Resolution No. 2021-0031

Moved by: Councillor J. Hurst

Seconded by: Councillor J. Fogal

THAT the Verbal Update by Mayor R. Bonnette and C. Mills, Acting Chief Administrative Officer regarding litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board. (Park Land) be received for information.

**CARRIED**

## 16. CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS

Resolution No. 2021-0032

Moved by: Councillor J. Hurst

Seconded by: Councillor J. Fogal

THAT the following Bills are hereby passed by Council;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the said by-laws and affix the seal of the Corporation thereto:

**BY-LAW NO. 2021-0005**

A By-law to amend By-law 2005-0117 regarding the hours of parking restrictions in a municipal lot.

**BY-LAW NO. 2021-0006**

A By-law to authorize the execution of License Agreements to allow the installation of monitoring wells/probes on Town-owned Lands, in the vicinity of 24 Ontario Street, Georgetown.

**BY-LAW NO. 2021-0007**

A By-law to adopt the proceedings of the Council Meeting held on the 1st day of February, 2021 and to authorize its execution.

**CARRIED**

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

Resolution No. 2021-0033

**Moved by:** Councillor B. Lewis

**Seconded by:** Councillor M. Albano

THAT this Council meeting do now adjourn at 6:08 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Rick Bonnette, MAYOR

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Valerie Petryniak, TOWN CLERK