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MINUTES OF THE

TOURISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING FEBRUARY 17, 2022

Minutes of the Tourism Advisory Committee meeting held on Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor A. Lawlor, Chair, C. Bower (left at 3:00 p.m.), K.

Gastle, M. Frazer (left at 3:00 p.m.), G. Coman, S. Mazhari

REGRETS: C. Thibeault, P. Rowe, L. Bengtson

STAFF PRESENT: A. Nap, Economic Development and Tourism Officer; E. Kaiser,

Manager of Economic Development and Innovation; M. Lawr,

Deputy Clerk – Legislation

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councilor A. Lawlor, Chair called the meeting to order 2:07 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary/conflict of interest.

3. RECEIPT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.a Minutes of the Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting held on November 25, 2021.

Recommendation No. TAC-2022-0001

THAT the Minutes of the Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting held on November 25, 2021 be received.

CARRIED

4. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- 4.a New Tourism Brochure A. Nap provided an update on the process of working on a new tourism brochure. A. Nap noted that the Town was awarded a 50% Partnership Grant from Heart of Ontario (HHBRTA). The timeline of the project is to work on the design aspect of the brochure from February to the end of March, with printing planned to occur in April and brochures will be distributed in the summer of 2022. The Committee provided feedback on distribution locations and content ideas.
 - 1. **Purpose** A. Nap presented the purpose of the brochure to the committee as to introduce people to the different locations of tourism in Halton hills.
 - 2. **Distribution** A. Nap advised that the new brochures will be distributed this summer. The Committee provided feedback and suggestions on where brochures could be distributed. A. Nap will be creating a spreadsheet to track where and how many brochures are being distributed.
 - 3. Look and Feel The Committee reviewed what the previous brochure looked like, and A. Nap presented new design ideas for this brochure.
 - **4. Content** The Committee provided suggestions on what to include in the new brochure. These suggestions included:
 - Listing key tourist attractions
 - Leaving out specific event dates to avoid needing to update the brochure multiple times a year
 - Having the brochure direct people to the Visit Halton Hills website (example: including a QR code)
 - Listing accommodations
 - Noting the distance from the 401 to Halton Hills

Quorum was lost at 3:01 p.m.

The remaining items were not discussed as quorum was lost after Item No. 4.a.

4.b Updates and Progress

- 1. Digital Main Street
- 2. New Investhaltonhills.com website
- 3. Tourism businesses
- 4. COVID Supports to Tourism Businesses

- 5. COMMITTEE MEMBER NEWS AND UPDATES
- 6. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING
- 7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:01 p.m.



COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES

Minutes of the Committee of Adjustment hearing held on **February 2, 2022**, at 6 p.m. via Zoom.

Members Present: Todd Jenney (Chair), Jane Watson, Lloyd Hillier, Neal Panchuk, Thomas Hill

Staff Present: John McMulkin, Planner

Niloo Hodjati, Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment & Consent Official

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

3. APPLICATIONS HEARD

When an application is approved, the Committee considered the requested variance(s) to:

- 1. Meet the intent and purpose of the Official Plan,
- 2. Meet the intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law,
- 3. Be desirable for the appropriate use of the land, building or structure, and
- 4. Be minor in nature.

a) Minor Variance D13VAR22.001H - Lotta

Location: 47 John Street, Town of Halton Hills (Georgetown), Regional Municipality of Halton

Purpose: Requesting relief from Zoning By-law 2010-0050, as amended,

- **1.** To increase the floor area for an accessory structure from the maximum 20 sq m to permit a floor area of 83.5 sq m.
- **2.** To increase the height for an accessory structure from the maximum 3.5 m to permit a height of 5.5 m.

To accommodate a proposed accessory structure.

Owner(s): Giuseppi Francesco Vito Lotta

The Town Planner noted no staff objections to approval, subject to conditions. The owner was present and spoke to the application.

Committee deliberations included: the overall size; height for a structure without a peaked roof; and other homes in the area having large accessory structures.

It was MOVED by Thomas Hill, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to conditions.

b) Minor Variance D13VAR22.002H – du Plessis

Location: 61 Bower Street, Town of Halton Hills (Acton), Regional Municipality of Halton

Purpose: Requesting relief from Zoning By-law 2010-0050, as amended,

- 1. To reduce the exterior side yard setback from the minimum 4.5 m to permit a 2.82 m exterior side yard setback to the second storey addition over the existing dwelling.
- **2.** To reduce the exterior side yard setback from the minimum 4.5 m to permit a 3.34 m exterior side yard setback to the existing covered deck.

To accommodate a proposed second storey addition to dwelling, and existing covered deck.

Owner(s): Marcell du Plessis & Danette Jayne van der Linde, **Agent:** Matthews Design & Drafting, Doug Matthews / Bethany VanRavens

The Town Planner noted no staff objections to approval, subject to condition. The agent was present and spoke to the application.

It was MOVED by Todd Jenney, SECONDED, and CARRIED

THAT the application be approved, subject to condition.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at approximately 6:20 p.m.



MINUTES OF THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

January 25, 2022

Minutes of the Active Transportation Committee meeting held on Tuesday January 25, 2022 Via Zoom

Members Present: Councillor J. Fogal, Chair, Councillor W. Farrow-Reed,

R. Hendry, C. Lenz, G. Price-Jones, A. Sommer, A. Stiehl

Regrets: Councillor C. Somerville, S. Suprina, A. Welter

Staff Present: I. Drewnitski, Transportation Planning Technologist; M. Taylor,

Senior Landscape Architect; Renee Brown, Deputy Clerk -

Administration

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor J. Fogal, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY/CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of conflict or pecuniary interests.

3. RECEIPT OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.a Minutes of the Active Transportation Committee Meeting held on November 23, 2021.

Recommendation No. ACT-2022-0001

THAT the Minutes of the Active Transportation Committee Meeting held on November 23, 2021 be received.

CARRIED

4. SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

4.a 2022 Active Transportation Projects

- I. Drewnitski provided the committee with an overview of the proposed 2022 Active Transportation projects
- The implementation of phase 2 of cycling infrastructure along Maple Ave from Trafalgar Road to Main Street This project will incorporate active transportation facilities along Maple Avenue.
- The rehabilitation of Mountainview Road bridge over Hungry Hollow to provide a safe and reliable level of service for transportation and active transportation.
- The replacement of the culvert over Beeney Creek on Sixth Line including installation of a guiderail to protect the travelling public.
- The resurfacing of Mountainview Road from Maple Avenue to John Street. This project will incorporate active transportation facilities along Mountainview Road.

Infill Sidewalk Connections

As part of the 2022 program, Public Works will install a sidewalk connection on the north side of Eastern Avenue between Metrolinx's railway tracks and Young Street.

Pedestrian Crossings

The project's scope is to install new pedestrian crossovers (PXOs) to improve pedestrian safety, mobility, and pedestrian network connectivity. The 2022 installations will include lower-level PXOs that require only signs and pavement markings. The following locations are proposed for the PXO implementations: Tanners Drive/Bonnette Street, Robinson Road south Bowman Street, Meadowglen Boulevard/Herb Wild Street, and Eaton Street and Craig Crescent (West).

Guelph St & Sinclair Ave Turn Lane

A new multiuse asphalt pathway will be installed on the west side of Sinclair Avenue from Guelph Street to Duncan Drive. There will also be the installation of bike signals at the intersection of Guelph and Sinclair which will be the first in the Town.

Active Transportation Improvements

Annual program to provide various active transportation infrastructure to connect pedestrian and cycling networks along municipal road allowances as approved under the Active Transportation Master Plan (2020). The project will include a variety of signed bike routes with pavement markings as applicable. This includes the following streets: Ontario Street, Banting Road, Carruthers Road, College Street, Ewing Street, John Street, Joycelyn Crescent and McCullough Crescent

Carry Over Projects

22 Side Road Hwy 7 to Limehouse (50m east of Elizabeth)

Bike lanes added to Tanners Drive from Churchill Road North to Churchill Road South

4.b 2022 Trails Projects

M. Taylor provided the committee with an overview of the proposed 2022 Trail projects:

Hungry Hollow

Trail connection from Main Steet to Cedarvale Park. Design and permitting to occur January-February with bidding to occur in March and construction to take place June -September.

Trafalgar Sports Park

Trail connection Trafalgar Sports Park to Black Creek Estates Subdivision. Staff have worked with Holy Redeemer Cemetery to arrange to have the trail cross their property. Staff are completing design work, anticipating that construction will occur June-July.

Upper Canada College

Design and permitting to occur December – March, bidding to occur in April and construction to take place July-August.

Fairy Lake

Trail connection to Birchway Place. Design and permitting to occur December-March with bidding to occur in April and construction to take place in August. Connecting loop from Birchway Place to Acton Legion around the Acton Seniors Residence.

5. SUB-COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

5.a Bike It Committee

Councillor J. Fogal advised that the Bike It committee is planning for events starting in May, including Bike It to the Market in June and other rides. The Committee is continuing to work on the Bike Map and promoting cycling.

Recommendation No. ACT-2022-0002

THAT the following Minutes are hereby adopted:

- 1. Bike It Committee minutes dated November 11, 2021.
- 2. Bike It Committee minutes dated December 8, 2021.

CARRIED

6. COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

Councillor J. Fogal noted that an inquiry was made with respect to RV/Trailer Parking. I Drewnitski advised that this project is not feasible at this time.

- A. Stiehl noted that the hungry hollow trail needs repairs and provided M. Taylor with specific locations.
- A. Stiehl offered a suggestion that perhaps having artists paint under the bridges in Hungry Hollow would cover up and potentially deter graffiti in the area.
- G. Price-Jones noted that there are still issues with poop and scoop even with the new signage.

7. ITEMS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR NEXT MEETING

NIL

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

From: Prime Minister | Premier Ministre

To: Melissa Lawr Cc: Karina Gould

Subject: Office of the Prime Minister / Cabinet du Premier ministre

Dear Mayor Bonnette:

On behalf of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, I would like to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 9, 2022, regarding a resolution passed by the Town of Halton Hills in relation to affordable child care.

Thank you for writing to the Prime Minister. You may be assured that your comments, offered on behalf of the Town of Halton Hills, have been carefully reviewed.

I note you have also sent a copy of your email and attached letter to the Honourable Karina Gould, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development. While the Prime Minister appreciates having had your correspondence brought to his attention, he will leave the matter you raise to be considered by Minister Gould.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to write.

K. Bentsen

Executive Correspondence Officer / Agente de correspondance Executive Correspondence Services / Services de la correspondance de la haute direction



March 3, 2022

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- AMO's Response to the Province's Housing Affordability Task Force Report.
- Lead Where You Live: AMO's Guide to Running for Municipal Election.
- Survey on best practices for source water protection.
- AMO/LAS Municipal Energy Symposium March 31 April 1.
- Webinar: Prevention strategy, H&S rep training update, & rebates from WSIB.
- Webinar: Jump-start your Digital Transformation with an e-signature solution.
- Webinar: Breaking down barriers Accessible digital solutions for your community.
- Blog: Will you be ready for your 15 minutes of fame?
- Don't miss Canoe webinars in March.
- Now booking 2022 Road & Sidewalk assessments.
- LED lighting upgrades qualify for incentives.
- LAS in-person energy workshops are back!
- Register for OMSSA's Inclusive Leadership workshop.
- Register to vote in the 2022 Ontario Municipal and School Board Elections.
- Careers.

AMO Matters

AMO has provided a <u>response</u> to the Province's <u>Housing Affordability Task Force Report</u>. AMO urges the Ministry to consider AMO's <u>Housing Blueprint</u> <u>recommendations</u> in responding to the housing crisis.

AMO has assembled an easy-to-use guide that provides all the information you need when preparing to run for council. AMO's <u>Lead Where You Live</u> guide highlights the things you will want to get familiar with during your campaign so you are prepared should you be elected.

Provincial Matters

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks is collecting feedback until April 18, 2022 on its recently released <u>best practices for source water protection</u>. You can <u>complete the survey here</u>.

Eye on Events

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LAS

As mandates lift and we return to in-person conferences, will you be ready for impromptu media interviews? Our customer service representative tells us <u>how to be prepared</u>.

Join our webinars to learn more about the <u>Canoe Procurement Group</u> - save time and money on the products and services you use every day. On March 9 we will hear from Computrol Systems, provider of bulk water dispensing systems for municipalities - <u>Register here</u>. Madvac/Exprolink will present on March 16, showing the street sweepers and littler collection equipment available – <u>Register here</u>.

Want to optimize your road budgets to get the best bang for your buck? The <u>Road and Sidewalk Assessment Service</u> makes sure every dollar is spent as efficiently as possible. Better data and the tools to use it make for better decisions. <u>Contact Tanner</u> to learn more and get a no-obligation quote.

Did you know financial incentives are available to improve lighting and reduce energy consumption in your facilities? Take advantage by including a project through the <u>LAS Facility Lighting Service</u> in your 2022 budget. <u>Contact Christian Tham</u> today for a free budget proposal.

Capacity limits are behind us and the future looks a bit more normal! LAS is excited to once again offer custom <u>energy training workshops</u> in person. From climate resiliency and net zero emissions to recommissioning and wastewater treatment plants, we've got a workshop for every need. <u>Contact Christian Tham</u> to book your 2022 workshop today.

Municipal Wire*

The importance of organizational leadership cannot be overstated during these challenging times. In this workshop, participants will evaluate their own leadership competencies and identify those they can develop. Register today.

The upcoming year will be a busy one for Ontario voters, with the Ontario Provincial Election and Municipal and School Board Elections happening just a few months apart. Make sure you are on the list to vote in the 2022 Municipal and School Board Elections on October 24. Register at voterlookup.ca. Download Toolkit.

Careers

<u>Deputy City Treasurer - City of Orillia.</u> Responsible for the control, management, and effective administration of financial functions in the areas of budgeting, long range financial planning, accounting, investment, fund management and internal audit. <u>Apply</u>

<u>Payroll & Accounting Coordinator - Township of Uxbridge.</u> The Coordinator will assist the Deputy Treasurer in administering the payroll system, employee benefits, OMERS Pension Plan and performing general accounting tasks. Apply to <u>tlee@uxbridge.ca</u> by March 25.

<u>Auditor General - City of Toronto.</u> The role calls for a highly experienced Professional Accountant whose expertise in auditing and oversight is underpinned by a CPA (CMA, CGA or CA) designation. Apply to <u>careers@phelpsgroup.ca</u> by March 25.

<u>Town Solicitor/ General Manager of Legal and Council Support Services - Town of East Gwillimbury</u>. This position will be a key member of the Town's Senior Management Team, providing leadership and support to both the CAO and Council. <u>Apply online</u> by March 20.

<u>Senior Director, CAO's Office - City of Windsor.</u> This position will support the CAO and Corporate Leadership Team with responsibility for maximizing the CAO's productivity and value-add to the organization and community. <u>Apply online</u> by March 7.

<u>Executive Director of Corporate Services - Town of Midland</u>. Responsible for the execution of critical support services to all areas of the Town's administration and Council in performing various statutory responsibilities. Apply online by March 17.

<u>Director, Diversity - Toronto Transit Commission (TTC)</u>. The is a compelling opportunity for a results-oriented leader to be at the forefront of cultural transformation. Apply to <u>imurray@bipocsearch.com</u> by April 11.

<u>Commissioner of Recreation and Parks - Town of Halton Hills</u>. The role will provide strategic leadership and oversight to the Recreation and Parks Department, which provides programs, services and facilities. Apply to humanresources@haltonhills.ca by March 22.

<u>Manager of Operations - Municipality of Kincardine</u>. The role will effectively manage and oversee the infrastructure operations for the municipality. <u>Apply online</u> by March 23.

<u>Manager of Environmental Services - Municipality of Kincardine</u>. Responsible to plan, manage and oversee municipal infrastructure related to water, wastewater and storm water. <u>Apply online</u> by March 23.

<u>Government & Stakeholder Relations Specialist - Niagara Region</u>. The Specialist is responsible for assisting with the planning and execution of the government relations activities. <u>Apply online</u> by March 23.

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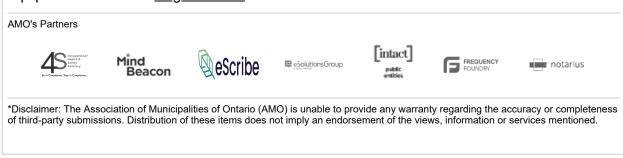
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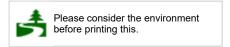
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February 24, 2022

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- AMO/LAS Municipal Energy Symposium March 31 April 1.
- Webinar: Prevention strategy, H&S rep training update, & rebates from WSIB.
- Webinar: Jump-start your Digital Transformation with an e-signature solution.
- Webinar: Breaking down barriers Accessible digital solutions for your community.
- Free Risk Management webinar: Back-to-basics.
- Canoe webinar date change Madvac/Exprolink.
- Kraft Hockeyville nominations are now open: Nominations close April 3.
- Careers.

AMO Matters

AMO is hosting facilitated discussions that will explore your role in advancing asset management in your community. AMO is offering a series of dates for these sessions. You can register by filling out this <u>form</u>. These sessions are open to *elected officials* only.

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discussion about municipal insurance, terms and trends." Save the dates for our other free Risk Management webinars: June 2, September 8, and November 3. <u>Learn more and register here</u>.

The <u>Canoe Procurement Group</u> webinar with <u>Madvac/Exprolink</u> has changed to March 16, register here to learn about equipment used to keep your community clean. We'll also be speaking with Computrol on their water dispensing systems on March 9, <u>Register here</u>. Did you miss one? Watch our archives on the <u>LAS website</u>.

Municipal Wire

The Kraft Hockeyville grand prize community winner will have an opportunity to host an NHL preseason game and receive \$250,000 for arena upgrades. This year's winner and each of the 3 runner-up communities will receive \$10,000 to purchase new hockey equipment for their minor hockey programs. To submit a nomination, visit the Kraft Hockey Ville website. The Township of Lucan (Lucan Community Memorial Centre), Township of Stirling-Rawdon (Stirling Arena) and former Town of Dundas (J.J Grightmire Arena) are past winners.

Careers

<u>Director, Licensing & Enforcement Services - City of Kingston.</u> This position is responsible for licensing, property standards, general by-law, noise and animal control, parking operations and enforcement and general administration. <u>Apply online</u> by March 16, 2022.

<u>Strategic Initiatives & Policy Specialist - City of Cambridge</u>. The Policy Specialist will participate in the development and implementation of the corporate performance management framework, support government relations and policy review and lead special projects as required. <u>Apply online</u> by March 3.

<u>Purchasing Coordinator - County of Hastings</u>. This position will assist with the coordination and facilitation of the procurement process in accordance with applicable regulations, legislation, industry best practices and the County's purchasing policy. Apply to <u>careers@hastingscounty.com</u> by March 10.

<u>Service, Information and Records Coordinator - Central Lake Ontario Conservation</u>
<u>Authority</u>. The Coordinator performs reception duties, greeting and directing visitors to appropriate staff. Submit resume and cover letter to <u>cjones@cloca.com</u> by March 18.

<u>Program Manager, Customer Service & Issues Management - City of Toronto.</u>

Manages and leads key division-wide priorities and projects, issues management, strategic planning, complaint management, equity and inclusion, and other strategic initiatives. <u>Apply online</u> by March 4.

<u>Muslim Community Liaison Advisor - City of London.</u> The Advisor is an effective and engaging leader who works to develop and strengthen the City's relationship with diverse Muslim people, and representative organizations in the community. <u>Apply online</u> by March 17.

<u>Director, Water, Wastewater and Storm Water - City of London</u>. The Director leads the teams providing critical drinking water, wastewater, and storm water services to all Londoners. Apply to <u>careers@lesp.ca</u> by March 23.

<u>General Manager, Development Services - Town of East Gwillimbury</u>. Responsible for the strategic leadership and financial management of Development Services for the Town including both Planning & Building Services. <u>Apply online</u> by March 13.

<u>Commissioner of Public Works – Niagara Region</u>. The role provides strategic, innovative, and operational leadership for the Public Works department; ensures linear infrastructure program and service development, enhancement, and maintenance delivery to support growth objectives. Apply to <u>arthur@wmc.on.ca</u> by March 18.

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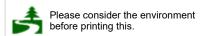








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The Honourable Doug Ford
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Township of Puslinch 7404 Wellington Road 34 Puslinch, ON NOB 2J0 www.puslinch.ca

March 4, 2022

RE: Town of Halton Hills - New Gravel Extraction Licensing Applications Resolution

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on March 2, 2022 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2022-063: Moved by Councillor Sepulis and Seconded by Councillor Bulmer

That the Consent Agenda item 6.4 listed for March 2, 2022 Council meeting be received; and

Whereas, Puslinch Council supports the 6.4 Town of Halton Hills - New Gravel Extraction Licensing Applications Resolution, that Council directs staff to forward a support resolution accordingly.

CARRIED

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely, Courtenay Hoytfox Municipal Clerk

CC:

Valeria Petryniak, Town Clerk, Town of Halton Hills, <u>valeriep@haltonhills.ca</u> Hon. Ted Arnott MPP, <u>ted.arnottco@pc.ola.org</u> AMO, <u>amo@amo.on.ca</u>



February 9, 2022

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Via Email

Re: New Gravel Extraction Licensing applications

Please be advised that Council for the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday, February 7, 2022, adopted the following Resolution:

Resolution No. 2022-0021

WHEREAS Ontario currently has over 5000 licenced pits and quarries located throughout the province that are able to meet the expected near term needs of Ontario's construction industry;

AND WHEREAS applications continue to be submitted without a definitive determination if there is a need for additional supply;

AND WHEREAS gravel pits and quarries are destructive of natural environments and habitats;

AND WHEREAS pits and quarries have negative social impacts on host communities and neighbouring properties in terms of noise, air pollution, and truck traffic;

AND WHEREAS the urgent need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in order to combat climate change has brought awareness to the very high carbon footprint associated with the production of concrete and asphalt which are major end-users of aggregates;

AND WHEREAS there is an obligation to consult with First Nations peoples regarding the impacts of quarries on treaty lands and a responsibility to address those impacts:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ontario government be requested to impose an immediate temporary moratorium on all new gravel mining applications pending a broad consultation process including with First Nations, affected communities, independent experts and scientists to chart a new path forward for gravel mining in Ontario which:

- Proposes criteria and processes for determining the need for new gravel licences;
- Recommends updated policies and restrictions for gravel mining below the water table to reflect current groundwater sciences;
- Develops new guidelines for reprocessing in order to ensure sustainable aggregate supplies;

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- Recommends a fair levy for gravel mining that includes compensation for the full environmental and infrastructure maintenance costs to the local community of extraction and distribution of aggregate;
- Provides greater weight to the input by local municipalities to lessen the social impacts from mining operation and trucking through their communities;
- Proposes revisions to application procedures which fully honour First Nations' treaty rights;

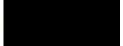
AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the leaders of all Provincial Parties, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Honourable Ted Arnott MPP, AMO, Small Urban GTHA Mayors, Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario (TAPMO), James Seeley, Mayor of Puslinch, Town of Milton, Town of Oakville and City of Burlington.

CARRIED

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2022-0021.

If you have any questions, please contact Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk for the Town of Halton Hills at 905-873-2600 ext. 2331 or valeriep@haltonhills.ca.

Yours truly,



Melissa Lawr Deputy Clerk – Legislation

cc. Leaders of all Provincial Parties
Leader of the Opposition
Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
the Honourable Ted Arnott, MPP
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Small Urban GTHA Mayors
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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.: 2022-0021

Title: New Gravel Extraction Licensing applications

Date: February 7, 2022

Moved by: Mayor R. Bonnette

Seconded by: Councillor J. Fogal

Item No. 15.3

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Mayor Rick Bonnette



VIA EMAIL

March 2, 2022

Legislative & Planning Services Department Office of the Regional Clerk 1151 Bronte Road Oakville ON L6M 3L1

Kevin Arjoon, City Clerk, City of Burlington Meaghen Reid, Town Clerk, Town of Milton Vicki Tytaneck, Town Clerk, Town of Oakville Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk, Town of Halton Hills

Please be advised that at its meeting held Wednesday, February 16, 2022, the Council of the Regional Municipality of Halton adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: Modified Preferred Growth Concept

WHEREAS the Region of Halton is in the process of updating the Regional Official Plan to conform with the 2019 Growth Plan, as amended, in accordance with the Places to Grow Act, 2005, and to plan to accommodate a total population of 1.1 million and total jobs of 500,000 to 2051; and

WHEREAS the Region is committed to meeting the Provincial conformity deadline of July 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS by letter dated November 12, 2019, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing clarified that municipalities may choose to take a phased approach to their municipal comprehensive review through multiple official plan amendments; and

WHEREAS the Region is completing its municipal comprehensive review using a phased approach, including updating the Regional Urban Structure, considering a Draft Preferred Growth Concept arising from the Integrated Growth Management Strategy that has explored issues and opportunities related to growth management, and considering a Policy Directions Report to guide the development of updated official plan policies; and

WHEREAS the market for housing and employment is constantly evolving due to the COVID-19 pandemic, shifts in demographics, work from home opportunities, housing affordability, and other factors that are anticipated to significantly change the way people live, work and play in Halton; and

WHEREAS on February 8, 2022, Ontario published a report from the Housing Affordability Task Force that may have significant implications on the supply of market housing to address the housing crisis and which implications are unclear;

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WHEREAS the Draft Land Needs Assessment provided in support of the Draft Preferred Growth Concept indicates that the majority of pre-2041 population and employment growth can be accommodated without expansions to the existing approved urban boundary; and

WHEREAS it would be prudent for the Region consider all relevant information that is available to it during its municipal comprehensive review exercise to make a determination on land requirements and other fundamental planning decisions that will dictate growth in Halton to 2051;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT Halton Regional Council directs Staff to prepare a Regional Official Plan Amendment (ROPA 49) that advances a modified Preferred Growth Concept in two phases to accommodate growth pre-2041 and from 2041 to 2051:

- 1. For accommodating growth pre-2041, directing population and employment growth to the existing approved urban boundary;
- For accommodating growth from 2041 to 2051, providing a clear framework for when, and how planned growth should be distributed based on principles of minimizing land consumption, making the most efficient use of land and infrastructure, and achieving other principles of the Growth Plan;
 - (a) AND THAT the findings of the Affordable Housing Task Force, Natural Heritage and Water Resources Impact Assessment and Agricultural Impact Assessment be considered in the preparation of the policy framework for growth post-2041;
 - (b) AND THAT the specific distribution of growth post-2041 be defined in an ROPA prior to or in parallel with the next statutory 5 year OP review.

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed to schedule a Statutory Public Meeting and Open House to obtain comments on an updated draft ROPA 49 no later than April 30, 2022;

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed to prepare its recommendation report and bring it forward to Regional Council such that ROPA 49 could be adopted and forwarded to the Province for approval to meet the July 1, 2022 conformity deadline, subject to being directed by the Minister to meet an alternative date, as requested the Region and other municipalities;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to the City of Burlington, Town of Halton Hills, Town of Milton and Town of Oakville.

If you have any questions please contact me at the e-mail address below.

Sincerely,

Graham Milne Regional Clerk

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VIA EMAIL

March 1, 2022

Legislative & Planning Services Department Office of the Regional Clerk 1151 Bronte Road Oakville ON L6M 3L1

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Nancy Davy, Grand River Conservation Authority
Joshua Campbell, Credit Valley Conservation Authority
Paula Tenuta, BILD-Halton
Mike Collin-Williams, West End Home Builders Association
Kevin Arjoon, City Clerk, City of Burlington
Meaghen Reid, Town Clerk, Town of Milton
Vicki Tytaneck, Town Clerk, Town of Oakville
Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk, Town of Halton Hills

Please be advised that at its meeting held Wednesday, February 16, 2022, the Council of the Regional Municipality of Halton adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: LPS12-22 - Annual Update on Halton Developers' Liaison Committee (2021)

THAT the Regional Clerk forward a copy of Report No. LPS12-22 re: "Annual Update on Halton Developers' Liaison Committee (2021)" to the City of Burlington, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton, the Town of Oakville, Conservation Halton, Credit Valley Conservation Authority, Grand River Conservation Authority, the Building Industry and Land Development Association's Halton Region chapter (BILD-Halton), and the West End Home Builders Association (WE HBA), for their information.

Included please find a copy of Report No. LPS12-22 for your information.

If you have any questions please contact me at the e-mail address below.

Sincerely,

Graham Milne Regional Clerk

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The Regional Municipality of Halton

Report To: Regional Chair and Members of Regional Council

From: Bob Gray, Commissioner, Legislative and Planning Services and

Corporate Counsel

Date: February 16, 2022

Report No: LPS12-22

Re: Annual Update on Halton Developers' Liaison Committee (2021)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Regional Clerk forward a copy of Report No. LPS12-22 re: "Annual Update on Halton Developers' Liaison Committee (2021)" to the City of Burlington, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton, the Town of Oakville, Conservation Halton, Credit Valley Conservation Authority, Grand River Conservation Authority, the Building Industry and Land Development Association's Halton Region chapter (BILD-Halton), and the West End Home Builders Association (WE HBA), for their information.

REPORT

Executive Summary

- On February 12, 2020, Regional Council approved a revised Terms of Reference for the Halton Developers' Liaison Committee (the "HDLC") through Report No. LPS07-20 re: "Halton Developers' Liaison Committee Terms of Reference".
- As outlined in the revised Terms of Reference and approach for the HDLC, staff provided an annual summary report on the 2020 meetings through Report No. LPS23-21 re: "Annual Update on Halton Developers' Liaison Committee".
- This report highlights 2021 topics discussed and the anticipated discussion items for 2022.
- The HDLC met three times in 2021 (February 26, June 25, and November 26), and discussed the Regional Official Plan Review, the Region's Allocation infrastructure projects, the Affordable Housing Program, and Development Charges.

• At this time, three HDLC meetings have been scheduled for the first half of 2022. The schedule will be reviewed based on the need for further meetings.

Background

The HDLC is a valued forum for developers, landowners, development professionals, and Regional staff to discuss matters of mutual interest, and provide feedback on Regional initiatives. In its role, the HDLC seeks to explore resolutions to issues of mutual concern, however it does not directly advise Regional staff or Council Members.

HDLC membership from Council includes Chair Carr and Councillors Adams, Bentivegna, Fogal, and Malboeuf. Current Council Members are appointed to a term ending November 14, 2022. The HDLC includes 20 Members from a range of disciplines including planners, engineers, consultants and development industry leaders.

The annual summary report for 2021 and the anticipated work plan for 2022 is provided through this report.

Discussion

In 2021, the HDLC met on February 26, June 25, and November 26. Virtual meeting software has been utilized to host all meetings and allow for HDLC Members and Public Attendees to provide feedback on agenda items.

Minutes from each of the 2021 meetings are included as Attachments #1, #2, and #3 to this report. Regional staff also continue to cite feedback received at or from the HDLC in reporting on the particular projects discussed. The minutes from the meetings on February 26 and June 25 were also circulated to Council by the Clerk. The minutes from the meeting on November 26 will be circulated in conjunction with the invite for the first meeting in 2022.

2021 Overview

At the meetings held in 2021 the following topics were presented and discussed:

Regional Official Plan Review:

Regional staff provided several updates on the Regional Official Plan Review, focusing on the Integrated Growth Management Strategy – Growth Concepts and draft Preferred Growth Concept, as well as Land Needs Assessment. The Ministerial approval of Regional Official Plan Amendment 48 was also highlighted, noting that the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing issued a decision on November 10, 2021, to approve the Amendment as adopted by Regional Council, subject to modifications (Report No. LPS91-21).

Region's Allocation Infrastructure Projects:

Regional staff provided regular updates on the Region's Allocation infrastructure projects, including design or construction stages, (projected) tender award dates, (projected) construction start dates, and scheduled completion dates, as well as contractors and contract administrators.

Region's Affordable Housing Program:

Regional staff provided an update on the Region's Affordable Housing Program, including an overview of how the program works with municipal, private, not-for-profit, and cooperative development partners; the Region's incentives (e.g., policy programs, capital programs, and operating programs); and also the Regional purchase of vacant lands, buildings, and/or units to respond to affordable housing demand. Information related to the properties owned by the Region and Halton Community Housing Corporation for new assisted and affordable rental housing development were also shared.

Region's Development Charges By-law Review:

Regional staff provided an update on the Region's Development Charges By-law Review, including an introduction to Development Charges as well as an overview of calculations, rates, and policies (current policies and proposed changes) related to Development Charges. The process of the 2022 Development Charges update was also discussed.

2022 Areas of Focus

Regional staff have scheduled the following three HDLC meetings to be held in the first half of 2022. The schedule will be reviewed based on potential need for further meetings.

- February 25
- April 29
- June 17

Topics for meetings in 2022 are anticipated to include updates in relation to the Regional Official Plan Review, process and customer service improvements, and other Halton planning initiatives as appropriate. Status updates on the Region's Allocation Infrastructure projects will also continue to be an agenda item. Where possible, Regional staff continue to incorporate identified areas of interest from the HDLC into agenda items for the 2022 meetings.

CONCLUSION

All feedback received through this forum will be documented throughout 2022 and will be considered as input into Regional services, projects, and programs.

FINANCIAL/PROGRAM IMPLICATIONS

Costs associated with operating Halton Developers' Liaison Committee are included in the annual operating budgets for the Clerk's Office and Planning Services.

Respectfully submitted,

Curt Benson

Director, Planning Services and Chief

Planning Official

Bob Gray

Commissioner, Legislative and Planning

Services and Corporate Counsel

Approved by

Jane MacCaskill

Chief Administrative Officer

Jane Macabill

If you have any questions on the content of this report, please contact:

Curt Benson

Tel. # 7181

Attachments: Attachment #1 – HDLC Meeting Minutes of February 26, 2021 (HDLC 01-21)

Attachment #2 – HDLC Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2021 (HDLC 02-21) Attachment #3 – HDLC Meeting Minutes of November 26, 2021 (HDLC 03-21)

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

MEETING NO. 01-21

NAME OF MEETING: <u>HALTON DEVELOPERS LIAISON COMMITTEE</u>

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, February 26, 2021

9:00 a.m.

PLACE OF MEETING: Zoom Video Conference

MEMBERS PRESENT: Curt Benson, Director of Planning Services (Chair)

Councillors: Tom Adams, Angelo Bentivegna, Jane Fogal

Development Members: Allen Benson, Colin Chung, Nathan Jamieson, Dave Leighton, Lino Malito, Jason Sheldon, Jennifer Lawrence, Kevin Singh, Peter

Meiklejohn, Ryan Kerr, Ryan Oosterhoff, Sohail Naseer, Michael Telawski, Jae Truesdell, Mike Vernooy, Mike

Dickie

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Paul Sharman

REGRETS: Councillor Rick Malboeuf

Regional Chair Gary Carr

STAFF PRESENT: Andrew Farr, Dan Tovey, Joe Nethery, Matt Buist, Steven

Burke, Katherine Fleet, Robyn Gravelle, Bernie Steiger, Alicia Jakaitis, Paula Kobli, Christopher James, Owen McCabe, Shahzad Mir, Zahir Najak, Kelly Yerxa, Desiree

Liu, Graham Milne

Hemson Consulting: Jackie Hall, Russell Mathew

INTRODUCTION/ROLL CALL

The Regional Clerk opened the meeting and noted the attendance of the membership present. Curt Benson, Director of Planning Services and Chief Planning Official, provided a brief overview of the format of the meeting.

AGENDA

1. November 27th Meeting Minutes Review & Approval

Minutes of Halton Developers Liaison Committee Meeting No. 01-21, Friday, February 26, 2021

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The minutes were accepted as circulated.

2. Growth Concepts Discussion Paper and ROPA 48

Jackie Hall from Hemson Consulting introduced the Growth Concepts Discussion Paper and ROPA 48, commencing with an update on the present status of the Official Plan Review, noting that the reports have been endorsed by Regional Council for public consultation, which is currently underway. An overview of each Growth Concept, the framework for evaluating each concept and the process for developing the preferred growth concept were presented. Steven Burke, Senior Planner, concluded the presentation with an outline of the Integrated Growth Management Strategy and next steps.

A copy of the presentation is appended to the minutes.

3. Update on Staff Changes – Office of Community Planning

Curt Benson updated the Committee on temporary changes to the Region's Community Planning office as Joe Nethery has been temporarily transitioned to focus on active aggregate extraction applications in the Region. Two acting Managers of Community Planning have been named: Robyn Gravelle covering Halton Hills and Milton (North) and Bernie Steiger covering Oakville and Burlington (South).

The updated Community Planning Responsibilities map is appended to the minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:43 a.m.

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

MEETING NO. 02-21

NAME OF MEETING: HALTON DEVELOPERS LIAISON COMMITTEE

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, June 25, 2021

9:00 a.m.

PLACE OF MEETING: Zoom Video Conference

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bernie Steiger, Acting Manager, Community Planning

(South) (Acting Chair)

Councillors: Tom Adams, Angelo Bentivegna, Jane Fogal,

Rick Malboeuf

Development Members: Colin Chung, Nathan Jamieson, Dave Leighton, Lino Malito, Michael Laplante, Kevin Singh, Peter Meiklejohn, Ryan Kerr, Ryan Oosterhoff, Kathleen Schofield, Michael Telawski, Jae Truesdell,

Michael Vernooy

REGRETS: Regional Chair Gary Carr

STAFF PRESENT: Matthew Buist, Marek Braczek, Robyn Gravelle, Steven

Burke, Leila Mirriahi, Kelly Yerxa, Michaela Campbell,

Graham Milne

INTRODUCTION/ROLL CALL

Bernie Steiger, Acting Manager, Community Planning (South) opened the meeting and noted the attendance of the membership present. He advised that he would be chairing the meeting in the absence of Curt Benson, Director of Planning Services and Chief Planning Official.

AGENDA

1. February 26th Meeting Minutes Review & Approval

The minutes were accepted as circulated.

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2. Update on Regional Official Plan Review

Steven Burke, Senior Planner, gave a brief verbal update on the status of the Regional Official Plan Review, advising on the timeline for presentation of related reports to Council and responded to questions from the Committee.

3. Allocation Infrastructure Status Update

Marek Braczek, Director, Engineering and Construction presented an update on the status of projects related to the Region's Allocation Infrastructure, focusing on the Region-led Schedule "G" projects as follows:

Group 1:

- Ashgrove Booster Pump Station
- Watermain from Ashgrove BPS to Georgetown
- Georgetown Water and Wastewater Servicing
- 8th Line/Trafalgar Trunk Sewer
- Watermain on Britannia Road (Fourth Line to RR25)
- Watermain Trunk on Britannia (Drumquin PS to JSP)
- Watermain on Britannia Road (Trafalgar Road to Eighth Line)
- Drumquin Pumps Station

Group 2:

- Zone 3/4/5 Boundary Transfer Projects
- 400 mm Watermain under William Halton Parkway
- Wastewater Trunk Main under Trafalgar Road
- Wastewater Trunk Main on Dundas Street
- Watermain on Sixth Line/8th Line Zone 4 Pump Station Alterations
- Watermain on Main Street/Watermain on Derry Road

A copy of this presentation has been circulated to the committee.

OTHER BUSINESS

It was noted that the next meeting of the committee was scheduled for Friday, September 24 and a call for agenda items would be issued approximately six weeks leading up to the date of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:58 a.m.

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON

MEETING NO. 03-21

NAME OF MEETING: <u>HALTON DEVELOPERS LIAISON COMMITTEE</u>

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, November 26, 2021

9:00 a.m.

PLACE OF MEETING: Zoom Video Conference

MEMBERS PRESENT: Curt Benson, Director of Planning Services and Chief

Planning Official (Chair)

Councillors: Tom Adams, Angelo Bentivegna, Jane Fogal,

Rick Malboeuf

Development Members: Colin Chung, Mike Dickie, Nathan Jamieson, Jennifer Lawrence, Dave Leighton, Peter Meiklejohn, Lana Russell, Kathleen Schofield, Jason

Sheldon, Kevin Singh, Michael Vernooy

REGRETS: Regional Chair Gary Carr

STAFF PRESENT: Marek Braczek, Matthew Buist, Steven Burke, Michaela

Campbell, Kristen Delong, Katherine Fleet, Graham Milne, Leila Mirriahi, Sarah Phillips, Bernie Steiger, Dan Tovey,

Kelly Yerxa

CONSULTANTS: Russell Mathew, Hemson Consulting

INTRODUCTION/ROLL CALL

Curt Benson, Director of Planning Services and Chief Planning Official, opened the meeting and welcomed the membership.

AGENDA

1. June 25th Meeting Minutes Review & Approval

The minutes were accepted as circulated.

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2. DC Update

Matthew Buist, Director, Capital Development Financing, provided an update on the status of the Region's Development Charges Update, including a brief introduction to development charges, an overview of the process of updating them and a review of the proceedings of the recently completed Development Charges Advisory Committee meetings. He noted a link to the recently released 2022 Development Charges Background Study on Halton's website: https://www.halton.ca/The-Region/Finance-and-Transparency/Financing-Growth/Development-Charges-Background-Study

3. Update on Regional Official Plan Review

Steven Burke, Senior Planner, gave an update on the key principles of the Integrated Growth Management Strategy, summarizing the presentation that was provided to Regional Council at its Workshop Meeting held on November 17, 2021. He also provided an update on the recent Ministerial approval of ROPA 48 noting the modifications made by the Province. He noted that Policy Directions and Preferred Growth Concept reports would be sent to Regional Council for consideration in February of 2022.

4. Affordable Housing Program Update

Sarah Phillips, Acting Manager, Housing Action Team, gave a presentation on Halton's Affordable Housing Program, including an overview of how the program works with development partners to create incentives for construction of affordable and assisted units. She provided an overview of some of the projects moving forward at this time, and noted that a request for expressions of interest (REOI) would be issued in the forthcoming weeks for the property at 17 Guelph Street, Georgetown.

5. Allocation Infrastructure Status Update

Marek Braczek, Director, Engineering and Construction, provided an update on the construction of the Schedule G projects as a follow-up to the presentation provided at June's HDLC meeting.

6. 2022 HDLC Meetings

Curt Benson advised that calendar holds would be sent out for at least 3 meetings to be held in the first half of 2022 once the dates have been determined, and the schedule may be adjusted based on potential need for further meetings.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

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HALTON DEVELOPERS LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 03-21 FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2021

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:17 a.m.



VIA EMAIL

March 1, 2022

Legislative & Planning Services Department Office of the Regional Clerk 1151 Bronte Road Oakville ON L6M 3L1

Kevin Arjoon, City Clerk, City of Burlington Meaghen Reid, Town Clerk, Town of Milton Vicki Tytaneck, Town Clerk, Town of Oakville Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk, Town of Halton Hills

Please be advised that at its meeting held Wednesday, February 16, 2022, the Council of the Regional Municipality of Halton adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: FN-05-22 - Authority to Negotiate and Place a Debenture Issue

- 1. THAT the Commissioner of Finance and Regional Treasurer be authorized to negotiate the terms and placement of capital project financing in an amount not to exceed \$55,500,000 in Canadian currency as outlined in Report No. FN-05-22 re: "Authority to Negotiate and Place a Debenture Issue".
- 2. THAT the Regional Chair and Commissioner of Finance and Regional Treasurer be authorized to engage the services of BMO Nesbit Burns Inc., CIBC World Markets Inc., National Bank Financial Inc., RBC Dominion Securities Inc., Scotia Capital Inc. and/or TD Securities Inc. as fiscal agents and enter into all agreements and ancillary documents necessary to secure the terms and issuance of a market debenture issue for all or part of the \$55,500,000.
- 3. THAT the Regional Clerk forward a copy of Report No. FN-05-22 to the City of Burlington, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton and the Town of Oakville for their information.

Included please find a copy of Report No. FN-05-22 for your information.

If you have any questions please contact me at the e-mail address below.

Sincerely,

Graham Milne Regional Clerk

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Regional Municipality of Halton

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The Regional Municipality of Halton

Report To: Regional Chair and Members of Regional Council

From: Cyndy Winslow, Commissioner, Finance and Regional Treasurer

Date: February 16, 2022

Report No: FN-05-22

Re: Authority to Negotiate and Place a Debenture Issue

RECOMMENDATION

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- THAT the Regional Clerk forward a copy of Report No. FN-05-22 to the City of Burlington, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton and the Town of Oakville for their information.

REPORT

Executive Summary

- Halton Region facilitates all debenture financing transactions on behalf of the Region and the Local Municipalities
- The aggregate debt financing requirements for all of Halton Region is estimated to be \$55,500,000 in 2022
- The Commissioner of Finance and Regional Treasurer requires the authorization to arrange for and negotiate the terms of any market debenture issue.

 The Regional Chair and Commissioner of Finance and Regional Treasurer must also be authorized to execute all agreements and ancillary documents, on behalf of Halton Region, with respect to the market debenture issues scheduled to be completed in 2022.

Background

The purpose of this report is to request Regional Council's authority to issue debentures in the capital markets in an amount not to exceed \$55,500,000 in 2022.

Discussion

As shown in the following table, the combined debt requirement in 2022 for the Region and the Local Municipalities is estimated at \$55,500,000, and represents the maximum amount of debt that would be issued in 2022.

	2022 Total Debenture
Municipalities	Requirements
Halton Region	\$ -
Town of Oakville	10,000,000
City of Burlington	38,000,000
Town of Halton Hills	-
Town of Milton	7,500,000
Total	\$ 55,500,000

Market Outlook

The global economy continues to recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. As economic growth in many major economies accelerated during the last several months of 2021 inflation has become a significant source of concern. Demand for goods by consumers has been robust, especially in the United States. Ongoing supply disruptions due to labour shortages and transportation difficulties, are also causing significant upward pressure on prices. As a result, expectations for higher interest rates have increased, including in the U.S. and Canada. The emergence of the latest COVID-19 variant Omicron has prompted a tightening of travel and other restrictions in many countries, injecting renewed uncertainty.

The Canadian economy appeared to have significant momentum heading into the fourth quarter of 2021. Growth was led by a strong rebound in consumption as consumer demand for goods, and in particular services, recovered as restrictions were eased and higher vaccination rates improved confidence.

The Bank of Canada is forecasting growth of approximately 4.5 percent in 2022. The recovery has been evident in the broad based job gains in recent months that has returned employment levels back to its pre-pandemic level. Labour costs will continue to

be monitored closely to ensure that they don't become embedded in ongoing inflation. Housing activity strengthened with constrained supply after a short period of moderation last year. Inflation remains elevated in Canada as the impact of ongoing supply constraints is working its way through to a broader range of goods prices.

The Bank of Canada initially referred to the pricing pressures as transitory, but it has proved to be more persistent than originally thought. Financial markets are expecting the Bank of Canada to increase interest rates in 2022. The projected hike in the overnight rate is currently ranging between 0.50 to 1.25 percent by the end of the year.

The Region plans to issue debt in the first half of 2022 and then again in the fall of 2022. The latter issuance may take place under delegated authority due to the reduced schedule of Council meetings in the municipal election year. The Region's last debenture issue was in May 2021 as reported through Report No. FN-19-21 re: "2021 Debt Issuance"

FINANCIAL/PROGRAM IMPLICATIONS

Based on Halton Region's pay-as-you-go financing strategy, the Region's 2022 Budget does not require debenture financing for capital projects in 2022. As outlined in the 2022 Budget and Business Plan, the Region's annual projected debt level is expected to decline substantially over the next 10 years and will remain well within its borrowing capacity.

Respectfully submitted,

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March 3, 2022

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Please be advised that at its meeting held Wednesday, January 19, 2022, the Council of the Regional Municipality of Halton adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION: LPS16-22/FN-01-22 - Housing Supply and Financing Growth

- 1. THAT Report No. LPS16-22/FN-01-22 be received for information.
- 2. THAT the Regional Clerk forward a copy of Report No. LPS16-22/FN-01-22 to the Premier of Ontario, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Halton Area MPPs, the Halton Area MPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario. The Building Industry and Development Association, Ontario Home Association, the City of Burlington, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton, and the Town of Oakville for their information.

Included please find a copy of Report No.LPS16-22/FN-01-22 for your information.

Sincerely,

Gary Carr

Regional Chair

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The Regional Municipality of Halton

Report To: Regional Chair and Members of Regional Council

From: Bob Gray, Commissioner, Legislative and Planning Services and

Corporate Counsel

Cyndy Winslow, Commissioner, Finance and Regional Treasurer

Date: January 19, 2022

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REPORT

Executive Summary

- The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing will be hosting a Provincial-Municipal Housing Summit for Ontario's Big City Mayors and Regional Chairs on January 19, 2022. The Province has indicated that the Summit will aim to identify further opportunities for collaboration as the province and the municipalities continue to address the housing affordability crisis.
- To facilitate dialogue at the Housing Summit the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing provided a Progress Report setting out the Ministry's perspective on how Halton Region is using different tools available to advance housing supply and affordability. The Progress Report has limitations both in scope as well as addressing key metrics and tools used to advance housing supply.

- Halton Region continues to be one of the fastest growing regions in Ontario. The
 Region's Comprehensive Housing Strategy provides the strategic roadmap
 addressing housing supply needs across the housing continuum. The Region's
 Official Plan establishes the policy framework to promote housing and housing mix
 consistent with the Region's vision for growth based on the Provincial Growth Plan.
 Progress on outcomes is monitored through annual updates including the Region's
 annual State of Housing Report.
- Halton has made significant progress through the implementation of the Comprehensive Housing Strategy including:
 - An average of 3,600 new housing units delivered annually for the last 10 vears:
 - o 30,000 units available for development in the Region in the near term;
 - Achieving 30% housing affordability in 6 of the last 10 years;
 - 1,005 new assisted housing opportunities created since 2014, achieving and exceeding the target 3 years ahead of schedule.
- The Region has comprehensive growth financing strategies that ensure funding is available to deliver infrastructure and also to provide incentives for development of purpose built rental housing. Development charges are a critical to the growth financing strategy as they fund the infrastructure required to deliver housing supply.
- Housing supply is a complex issue driven by economic and market forces. Effectively addressing housing supply challenges requires a coordinated and strategic approach across all levels of government.

Background

Premier Ford and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing will host a Provincial-Municipal Housing Summit for Ontario's Big City Mayors and Regional Chairs. The summit was originally scheduled for December 16, 2021 (see Attachment #1) but was later postponed to January 19, 2022. The Summit aims to identify further opportunities for collaboration as the province and municipalities continue to address the housing affordability crisis.

In advance of the originally scheduled December summit, the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing circulated a Progress Report setting out the Ministry's perspective on how Halton Region is using different tools to advance housing supply and affordability (see Attachment #2a).

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing invited Halton Region to share any feedback on the Progress Report to the Ministry by January 10th and this feedback is provided as Attachment #2b to this report. In these comments, staff outline issues with

the Progress Report and how the Ministry characterized Halton's progress related to specific tools.

The Progress Report is narrowly focused on tools targeted to speed up delivery of new housing units. The Progress Report ignores the fact that issues related to housing supply and affordability are complex and there are many factors, including economic, market and social factors that must be addressed.

Discussion

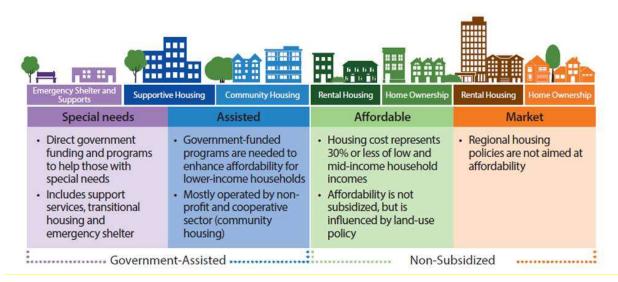
Comprehensive Housing Strategy

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The Comprehensive Housing Strategy has five elements that respond to the diverse housing needs of Halton residents from homelessness supports through to private market housing availability and affordability. The strategy's key components are as follows:

- Promote complete and healthy communities Halton Region works with local municipalities, the development community and the non-profit and cooperative sectors to ensure communities meet the physical, social and economic needs of current and future Halton residents.
- 2. **Encourage and protect affordable housing** Municipal and regional policy tools are used to encourage the private sector to provide unsubsidized rental and ownership housing options.
- 3. **Encourage and protect community housing** Halton Region creates directly, or in partnership, new government assisted housing supply and protects existing stock.
- 4. **Support Independent Living:** Halton Region works with homeowners, building owners and agencies to increase the ability of Halton residents with disabilities or special needs to live independently.
- 5. **Assist Halton residents to maintain their housing and prevent homelessness** Halton Region provides programs and coordination with other agencies to help at-risk residents maintain their housing, and prevent homelessness.

As illustrated below, the backbone of the Strategy is the concept of a "housing continuum" and recognition that Halton residents move back and forth across the continuum depending on changes in their personal circumstances.



Halton Region uses direct government funding to support the creation of Special Needs and Assisted Housing on the left side of the continuum. This includes emergency shelter and supports, supportive housing and government assisted community housing.

Housing affordability and market housing created on the right side the continuum are impacted by non-financial mechanisms, specifically planning and policy instruments.

Halton Region's Comprehensive Housing Strategy has been successful in achieving intended outcomes. This includes new housing opportunity creation, preservation and sustainability of existing assisted housing stock, and more coordinated services to residents who need support to maintain their housing.

Measuring Progress

The Region measures progress in achieving housing supply objectives through the annual State of Housing Report and annual updates on the Comprehensive Housing Strategy. Some of the key indicators of progress on addressing housing needs in Halton include:

Assisted Side of Housing Continuum

- Creation of 1,005 new assisted housing opportunities since 2014 exceeding the Comprehensive Housing Strategy target of 550-900 new assisted units three years ahead of schedule;
- Millions invested into existing community housing stock to keep them in a good state of repair and available to vulnerable Halton residents;
- Implementation of Halton Region's own funded rent supplement program (Halton Rental Assistance Program);

- Implementation of Halton Region's portable housing program (Halton In-situ Program);
- Implementation of a modified emergency shelter program and acquisition of a new capital facility for homeless families, couple and single women; and,
- Halton older adults and residents with physical disabilities supported with accessibility improvements to their homes.

Affordable /Market Side of Housing Continuum

- Consistently achieving the housing mix target in the Regional Official Plan of having greater than 50% of all new housing in townhouses or multi-storey units.
- Achieving greater than 30% of new housing completions at or below the affordability threshold in 6 of the last 10 years;
- Worked with local municipalities to implement community improvement plans regarding affordable housing.
- Undertook consultation on Inclusionary Zoning policies to support provision of affordable housing in Major Transit Station Areas through Regional Official Plan No. 48.

Development Financing

Development Charges

Development Charges are an essential cost recovery tool, which are used to help pay for the cost of infrastructure required to service new growth. As highlighted in Attachment #3, the Region's \$5.7 billion 10-year capital infrastructure budget is 58% growth related and eventually funded by development charges. Without this funding, the Region could NOT deliver the infrastructure to support the growth in housing. It is concerning that the Province included development charge reductions as a tool in the Progress Report for the Housing Summit.

If municipalities do not collect the full cost of infrastructure to support growth, the timing of key infrastructure may be delayed and the delivery of new housing thereby delayed. Discounting or reducing development charges is therefore <u>not</u> an appropriate incentive to encourage rental, non-profit or affordable housing particularly in a growth municipality with significant infrastructure requirements to support growth. However, Halton Region is using other tools such as a concierge service and Requests for Expressions of Interest (REOI) which provides funding or other incentives if affordable objectives are met to incentivize these types of development. Beyond DC deferrals that have been recently recognized in the *Development Charges Act, 1997*, Halton provides further deferrals for affordable rental housing that meets specific criteria. Targeted deferrals provide a benefit without impairing the Region's ability to finance infrastructure.

Halton Region has an interest in supporting the development of new purpose built rental units that achieve affordability targets. As such, if a purpose built rental development can

demonstrate that at least 25% of the development or 10 units, whichever is greater, will be operated at or below the affordable rent threshold as defined in Halton Region's annual State of Housing Report affordability targets, then the entire residential building (not just the affordable apartment units) will receive a DC deferral over 20 annual payments starting at building permit.

It is unfortunate that the development industry continues to express concerns regarding development charges. A recent report presented by BILD entitled "New Homeowner Money in the Government's Bank: How Unspent Municipal Reserves Are Impacting Building Livable Affordable Communities in the GTA" critiqued GTA municipalities high DC reserve balances used to finance growth-related infrastructure. The report focused on the following themes:

- Excessive size of DC reserve and other related reserve balances;
- Capital Expenditures that don't match DC revenue collection;
- · Limited use of debt for growth related expenditures; and
- Increase in DC rates.

DCs are very prescriptive in nature and can only be used for capital infrastructure needs. Municipalities are not able to charge more than the cost of the infrastructure required to support growth. If a municipality has large reserves, it is because the DCs collected accumulate until the infrastructure project proceeds.

Halton Region's growth financing strategies include the allocation programs which are designed to receive DCs early in order to ensure financing is available when needed for timely delivery of infrastructure. As such, contrary to the BILD report messaging presented on use of DCs, the Region's DC reserve balances are low as money is spent to match timing of DCs required for capital to support growth.

DCs comprise a relatively small percentage of the cost to build a home, which is approximately 5-10% of new single family home prices in the GTA. This has been somewhat constant since the inception of the DCA. Housing prices are largely market driven with an incentive for the industry to maximize profits and therefore lowering DCs does not necessarily result in a reduction of housing prices. DC rates are a reflection of the cost of capital required for growth. DC increases have been driven by land cost increases, environmental regulations and material costs. If municipalities do not collect the full cost of infrastructure to support growth, the timing of key infrastructure may be delayed and the delivery of new housing thereby delayed.

In addition, there are many other factors that have a greater impact on home prices including demand, development interests, mortgage rules, interest rates, immigration levels, foreign buyers, economic growth, raw land value, inter-generational wealth transfer, location and labour and material costs which need to be considered.

Regional Allocation Programs

Halton Region and its Local Municipalities have long-term infrastructure plans to ensure that municipal infrastructure is available to support planned growth and grow the economy in a responsible way. A history of growth-related financing is provided in Attachment #3.

In November 2019, Regional Council approved the 2020 Allocation Program through Report No. FN-46-19/PW-50-19/LPS112-19, re: "2020 Allocation Program Options", representing a financing plan to provide roughly \$1.5 billion worth of water, wastewater and transportation infrastructure to support growth, development and new housing supply across the Region for the next 6-10 years. Of the \$1.5 billion in growth-related infrastructure, \$858.5 million is the residential developer's responsibility and the remaining \$630.3 million is financed by the Region as part of the state of good repair and for non-residential interim financing.

Halton's Allocation programs, including the 2020 program, have recognized that residential-led development results in timing differences between the financing of the non-residential cost share and the collection of non-residential DCs, as it is the residential development that drives the timing of the infrastructure. Providing interim financing to fund the non-residential share of infrastructure is a way of assisting the residential developers to service their development in a timely manner and protect the tax and rate payers of the Region. Without this method of interim funding through borrowing, the funding of the non-residential share of the costs would have to come from the non-residential developers which would ultimately delay growth. At the end of 2021 it is projected that Halton's interim financing for non-residential capital cost will be in excess of \$500 million.

Due to Halton Region's approach to growth related financing through allocation programs, the Region has a supply of approximately 30,000 units in greenfield areas. In addition to development within allocation areas it is estimated that there will be over 2,300 units per year developed in built-up areas, based on the best planning estimates.

Opportunities for Provincial and Federal Collaboration

Continued collaboration between all levels of government is necessary to address housing affordability and housing needs across the Housing continuum. Halton Region is committed to working with the Federal and Provincial Governments to continue to identify opportunities to advance housing supply and address affordability. Below are some opportunities that the Region has identified previously through various consultation processes.

Housing Supply

It is recognized that a strong partnership with the Provincial Government is vital to the Region's long term goals of advancing housing supply. Through AMO and other forums, the Chair and Members of Regional Council have long advocated for and requested:

- A coordinated, provincial infrastructure investment plan and funding connected to the Growth Plan, to support high-growth communities in advancing critical Provincial infrastructure, including:
 - New schools to support families in high growth areas like North Oakville and the Boyne Survey in Milton;
 - o The expansion of Hospital services in Georgetown;
 - o All day, two-way GO service on the Milton line;
 - Investments in to unlock growth potential in important growth nodes like the Mid-town Oakville Urban Growth Centre;
- Reform to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) that upholds local and Regional planning decisions as well as provides quick delivery of decisions.

In addition to the above, Halton's comments on the Province's Housing Supply Action Plan emphasize the following priorities that require intervention from the Province:

- There needs to be flexibility in introducing new housing supply in underutilized and strategically located employment lands.
- New housing supply is dependent on significant municipal infrastructure investments that must be fully recovered through development charges.
- Timing to deliver new housing supply is impacted by Provincial policies that impose rigid and unnecessary requirements on municipal land use and infrastructure planning. Some examples include:
 - Reforms to the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process: Construction of critical infrastructure to service growth is often significantly delayed due to the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment planning process when there are frivolous requests to elevate the undertaking to comply with Part II of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. There is an opportunity for the Province to streamline this process especially when infrastructure is identified by an approved Official Plan.
 - Continuous Provincial planning reforms divert municipal resources away from implementing existing policies that support housing supply: Over the last several years municipalities across the Greater Golden Horseshoe have not been afforded an opportunity to plan for and implement growth through updates to municipal official plans due to an ever changing policy environment. There needs to be a 'pause' on provincial planning reforms to allow municipalities to develop and implement their growth plans for new housing supply.

Assisted Housing

Senior government funding for housing opportunities in Halton has decreased over the past three years. From April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2019, Halton Region received close to \$33 million in total funding under federal/provincial cost-shared programs. This funding was paramount in delivering upon the CHS' goals of creating new housing opportunities and preserving existing housing stock.

Halton's current three year allocation (April 1, 2019 – March 31, 2022) under the Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) and Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative (OPHI) is \$10.2 million combined which represents 1/3 of historical investments in Halton Region. This reduced Federal/Provincial funding constrains Halton Region's ability to create new housing as COCHI and OPHI funding is sufficient only to sustain existing commitments. As noted below, dedicated senior government funding for housing is needed.

Through Report No. LPS84-21/SS-25-21 re: "Portfolio Approach to Achieving Comprehensive Housing Strategy Objectives," Regional Council endorsed a portfolio approach to help meet growing assisted and affordable housing needs. This portfolio can create a further 600 new assisted and affordable units at a cost of approximately \$451 million by the end of 2031 if dedicated federal and provincial funding is made available. Given that Halton has committed \$174 million to 2031 to support this objective, Provincial and Federal funding of approximately \$270 million combined is required to achieve this housing target.

On January 12, 2021 Halton Region's Chair met with the Honourable Ahmed Hussen, Minister of Housing and Diversity and Inclusion to outline Halton's housing portfolio approach and the necessity of renewed funding to create new assisted housing in Halton. Dialogue between the Region and Federal government is ongoing to secure necessary Federal funding. In addition, dedicated provincial funding is also required for the success of Halton Region's housing portfolio.

Conclusion

Halton Region continues to be one of the fastest growing regions in Ontario. The Halton municipalities have long supported planning for housing supply to accommodate the Region's vision for growth based on the Provincial Growth Plan. Halton Region cannot advance housing supply on its own and requires a meaningful partnership with the Province. Halton Region will continue to collaborate with the Federal and Provincial Government to identify housing programs and funding/program mechanisms to advance the housing supply needs of our community.

FINANCIAL/PROGRAM IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications associated with this report.

Halton Region uses its financing tools to ensure growth proceeds while maintaining its AAA credit rating. DCs are an important cost recovery tool, which are used to help pay for the cost of infrastructure required to service new growth. The Region's allocation programs are designed to ensure financing is available when needed while protecting taxpayers from the cost of growth.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments:

Attachment #1: Letter from Deputy Minister Manson-Smith – Housing Summit

Attachment #2: Housing Tools Progress Report

Attachment #3: Overview of Growth Related Regional Financing

Attachment #1 to Report No. LPS16-22/FN-01-22

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Hello Jane MacCaskill,

On December 16, Premier Ford and Minister Clark are convening Ontario's regional chairs and big city mayors at a virtual Summit to discuss how we can work together to address the province's housing crisis. I am writing to you because Regional Chair Carr has been invited to take part in this Summit. Please ensure that the attached documents are made available for Regional Chair Carr's use during the Summit.

Due to the evolving public health situation, please also note that the Summit will now be held virtually – no in-person event will occur. Logistical information, including log-in details, will follow shortly.

The Summit will provide an opportunity to celebrate and share the good work across jurisdictions and will aim to identify further opportunities for collaboration as the province and municipalities continue to address the housing affordability crisis.

The government understands that to improve performance, it is necessary to develop meaningful performance indicators and to track progress. That is why one focus area of the Summit will be to look at planning, finance, and other tools that governments can use to accelerate and incent new housing supply.

In preparation for these discussions, my ministry has compiled a preliminary profile of your municipality's progress in using some of the key tools that we have introduced, and have worked together to roll out, in recent years. This information represents a particular point in time, and we will continue to work with you to discuss and understand the value of these metrics and the potential to develop enhanced metrics in the future. We also want to hear more about what we can improve to enhance the uptake and impact of these and other tools.

The Premier and Minister Clark will also invite mayors and chairs to join them in a commitment to increase housing supply, share further data on housing approvals and collaborate on other innovative ways to improve housing supply and affordability.

The past twenty-two months have been a reminder of just how much we can accomplish when all levels of government work together towards a common cause. It is our hope that we can continue in that same spirit of collaboration as we look at ways to increase housing supply and address Ontario's housing affordability crisis together.

We look forward to a productive and collaborative discussion on December 16. In the meantime, please feel free to contact me directly at kate.manson-smith@ontario.ca should you have any questions about the Summit or the attached materials.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kate Manson-Smith Deputy Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Attachments:

Housing Tools Progress Report for the Regional Municipality of Halton Summit agenda



Regional Municipality of Halton

Housing Tools Progress Report

Based on the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing's preliminary assessment, the Regional Municipality of Halton is currently using the tools noted below to increase housing supply and affordability.

	Tool	Question	Usage			
1	Approvals Applications	Where responsible, does the municipality publish application numbers for: A. Site plan approvals? B. Rezoning approvals?	No responsibility			
2	Open Data on Approval Timelines	Where responsible, does the municipality publish performance data (e.g., average timeframes, on-time performance) on its website for: A. Building permit approvals? B. Site plan approvals? C. Rezoning application approvals?				
3	Online Status Tracking	where applicable, does the municipality allow applicants to check the status of their planning and building permit applications online?				
4	Where applicable, has the municipality delineated Major Transit Station Areas Transit Areas (MTSAs) and planned for transit-supportive densities to help enable new housing supply near transit?		1/1			
5	Additional Residential Units	Does the municipality's Official Plan explicitly authorize Additional Residential Units (ARUs, also known as secondary units) in all types of applicable housing (i.e., single detached, semi-detached and rowhouse units, and ancillary buildings)?	0/1			
6	Community Planning Permit System	Has the municipality implemented a community planning permit system (CPPS) that will facilitate housing?	0/1			
7	DC Funding for Housing Services	If the municipality collects Development Charges and provides housing services, does it collect for these services through Development Charges?	1/1			
8	DC Incentives	Does the municipality offer full or partial reductions in Development Charges for rental housing, non-profit housing or affordable housing in their bylaws?	0/1			
9	Use of DC Funds	Is the proportion of development charges spent compared to what was collected over a 10-year period for the municipality at or above the provincial average (87%)?	1/1			
10	Use of Parkland Funds	Is the proportion of parkland dedication funds spent compared to what was collected over a 10-year period for the municipality at or above the provincial average (47%)?	Not applicable			
11	Section 37	Does the municipality publish information on annual charges collected and spent under the previous s. 37 (density bonusing) provisions under the Planning Act on its website?	Not applicable			
12	Financial Incentives for New Housing	Has the municipality used economic development tools, such as Municipal Capital Facilities Agreements or Community Improvement Plans for housing development?	1/1			
13	Community Benefits Charges	Has the municipality begun work and consultation on a Community Benefits Charge (CBC) strategy to develop and pass a CBC by-law by September 2022?	Not applicable			
14	Official Plan Conformity	Is the municipality on track to submit a new Official Plan or Official Plan Amendment(s) to implement the policies in A Place to Grow by the required deadline of July 1, 2022?	1/1			
15	Modernization / streamlining	Has the municipality implemented any broad modernization initiatives or process improvements, impacting multiple aspects of the housing development process, intended to help streamline the development of new housing supply?	0/1			



Key Opportunities (Zero or Partial Usage)

- Online status tracking: Allowing applicants to check on the status of their development applications online can provide transparency in the approvals process and save time for applicants and staff.
- Additional Residential Units: Enabling and encouraging additional residential units in a broader range of housing types and ancillary buildings could increase the supply of new affordable rental units.
- Community Planning Permit System: Implementing a Community Planning Permit System can help provide predictability for communities and housing developers, which can help incent the creation of more housing supply.
- Development Charge incentives: Reduction of Development Charges (where levied) for types of housing can help improve the economics of building new non-profit, affordable and rental housing projects.
- Modernization / streamlining of systems or processes related to housing: By modernizing their review and approval processes, municipalities can help speed up the development of new housing supply.

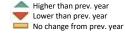
- Transit Areas: Identifying areas within a few minutes' walk of major transit stations is the first step in increasing housing supply in these areas, so more people can take advantage of the Province's investments in transit.
- Development Charge funding for housing services: Ontario's Housing Supply Action Plan made changes to allow municipalities to recover 100 per cent of the cost to build critical community services, including affordable housing and homelessness services through Development Charges and a separate Community Benefits Charge.
- Use of Development Charge funds: Where levied as an optional tool, using Development Charge funds in a timely manner can ensure critical infrastructure is funded to meet growing housing demand, support the needs of new residents and the feasibility of future development.
- Financial incentives for new housing: Providing grants or other financial incentives for housing projects can help improve the economics of building new housing and encourage the creation of more supply.
- Official Plan conformity: Completing a municipal comprehensive review and bringing its Official Plan into conformity with A Place to Grow is a key step in a municipality identifying how and where new housing will be built. It is critical this work be completed by July 2022 to avoid delays that may create shortages and drive up the cost of housing.

Local Market Context							
	Annual Pop. Growth Rate	Starts / New Household	Average Resale Price	Resale Price-to- Income	Average Rent	Rent-to-Income	Apt. Vacancy Rate
Regional Municipality of Halton Pop.: 540,980	+1.8%	1.4 📥	\$914,000 🗻	8.2x 🗻	\$1,582	0.32x 🗻	2.3% 🗥
Ontario Pop.: 13,448,500	+0.9%	1.3 📤	\$597,000 📥	7.4x 📥	\$1,340 📥	0.35x 📤	3.2% 🗻

Approval date of in-effect Official Plan

February 4, 2014

Population forecasts in in-effect Official Plan: Planning horizon 2031, Pop. forecast 780,000



Glossary

Local Market Context: Sources and Notes

Population: Statistics Canada, 2016 Census of Population Population growth rate: Annualized rate based on growth from 2011 to 2016 Census

Starts / new household: 2020 housing starts divided by projected new households for 2020; based on CMHC Starts and of Population

Average resale price: Real Property Solutions House Price Index

Resale-price-to-income: Average resale price divided by median household income. Household income based on 2016 Census and inflated to 2020 using Consumer Price Index (CPI)

Average rent: Average monthly market rent for apartments, CMHC Rental Market Survey

Rent-to-income: Average annual market rent for apartments Completions Survey and Statistics Canada, 2011 and 2016 Census divided by median renter household income. Household income based on 2016 Census and inflated to 2020 using Consumer Price Index



January 10, 2022

Legislative & Planning Services
Department
Halton Region
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Attn: Kate Manson-Smith Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing 17th Floor, 777 Bay Street Toronto, ON M&A 2J3

Sent By Email Only:

housingsupply@ontario.ca

RE: Initial Comments on Province's Progress Report for Halton's Housing Supply and Affordability Tools

Dear Ms. Manson-Smith:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the Progress Report that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has compiled for Halton Region. We are a rapidly growing region and have long supported and advanced tools to help support and manage growth in a coordinated and integrated fashion. Halton is focused on advancing our shared objectives related to housing supply, transit supportive development, jobs and economic development.

Halton Region staff have reviewed the Progress Report and offer the following comments for your consideration. The comments have been organized in 3 sections:

- 1. Comments that apply to the overall Progress Report;
- 2. Comments on specific tools identified and their evaluation; and
- 3. Important actions the Province can take to address housing supply and affordability

Comments that apply to the overall Progress Report

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The Progress Report focuses on whether and if Halton Region is using tools to address housing supply and affordability. The Report will only be useful if the following comments are addressed by the Province:

• The Progress Report appears to imply that use of the identified tools by municipalities would address housing supply and affordability. There is no information provided to suggest a direct relationship exists between the use of these municipal tools and outcomes related to the delivery of housing supply and affordability. In some cases the use of individual tools are referred to as 'measures' or 'metrics'. These are not proper

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- indices of progress as these are not the primary factors that result in realized housing supply. Comments on the specific tools relative to this point are also provided below.
- The Progress Report uses a rudimentary scorecard, where the municipality gets 1 point for each tool in use. This scoring system is confusing and does not reflect the relative weight or importance of the tools themselves. Further, it is important to acknowledge where municipalities are making progress on a particular tool there may be instances where a simple 0 or 1 score does not reflect tools and approaches that are in progress that perhaps will be completed or implemented in the near future.
- Issues related to housing supply and affordability are complex and there are many other factors that have an influence on outcomes. In order to appropriately define the problem, it is important that there is a full understanding of how different factors can contribute to positive outcomes. Some examples of measures that capture different factors that need to be explored by the Province include:
 - How much housing supply is currently being constrained due to the lack of coordinated investment in Provincial infrastructure, such as schools, hospitals, interchanges and public transit?
 - Output Description
 OLT resourced to ensure that there is a fair, just and timely resolution to matters that increase housing supply?
 - How much designated urban land is being held and not advanced by development interests?
 - To what degree is housing supply constrained by a shortage in skilled labour or materials?
 - o Is the quality of planning and development applications sufficient to assess conformity to Provincial plans and policies and expedite approvals?
 - How much time and resource capacity have municipalities diverted from developing tools to advance housing supply because of the need to respond and adapt to continuous and disruptive Provincial planning reforms?

Comments on specific tools identified

Upon review there are a few specific tools that are profiled in the Progress Report that are either not accurately evaluated or may warrant a greater explanation on how the tool is characterized. The following comments on a few of the specific tools are provided for your consideration:

Tool #3 "Online Status Tracking": Online status tracking represents one avenue for applicants to get up to date information on the status of an application. This may be a useful tool where there is currently no enhanced or coordinated application review and approval approach, however it is difficult to determine what, if any relationship this tool has on housing supply and affordability. In Halton Region, we implement a coordinated approach among our local municipal and conservation authority partners. This approach is enshrined through the Memorandum of Understanding for an Integrated and Seamless

- Halton Planning System, where roles and responsibilities including regular monitoring and reporting on application status are clearly defined.
- <u>Tool #4 "Transit Areas"</u>: Halton Region has established Major Transit Station Areas in the Regional Official Plan through the Minister's approval of ROPA 48. We thank Ministry staff for its support in advancing this important amendment.
- Tool #5 "Additional Residential Units": Section 86(10) of the Regional Official Plan requires local Official Plans and Zoning By-Laws to permit additional residential units as of right. This tool is not currently recognized as being fulfilled by Halton Region and should be.
- Tool #6 "Community Planning Permit System": While the Community Planning Permit System is an innovative tool that would result in more streamlined permitting, it requires significant up-front investment in time and resources for the municipality to establish. The tool is resource-intensive and would shift much of the upfront expense of development review and approval from the land developer to the municipality. While this tool could be an effective one, the Province does not currently provide adequate support to municipalities for its use and implementation. One suggestion that might entice municipalities to advance the CPPS is to enable the costs of this tool to be recoverable through Development Charges.
- Tool #8 "DC Incentives": This measure captures the use of Development Charges in a very narrow way. Firstly, Halton Region does not offer full or partial development charges (DC) exemptions or reductions for rental, not-for-profit or affordable housing developments. If municipalities do not collect the full cost of infrastructure to support growth, the timing of key infrastructure may be delayed and the delivery of new housing thereby delayed. Discounting or reducing development charges is therefore NOT an appropriate incentive to encourage rental, non-profit or affordable housing particularly in a growth municipality with significant infrastructure requirements to support growth. While the Region does not provide DC reductions, we do have programs that provide funding and other supports to incent the development of rental, non-profit and assisted housing. There should be a measure to capture other innovative programs, such as the one provided by Halton.
- Tool #15 "Modernization / Streamlining": Modernization and streamlining implies taking a continuous improvement approach. It is not clear what would constitute a grade of 1 in this category. The Progress Report does not reflect significant efforts of Halton's municipalities in implementing service enhancements to planning review and approvals processes necessary to advance housing supply and economic development. For example, Regional Council has endorsed the recommendations of the "Halton Development Planning and Engineering Service Review". That review identified 10 recommendations for enhancements to development review and approval that have all now been fully implemented. The collaborative work of the Halton municipalities related to planning and development review and approvals are also enshrined in a Memorandum of Understanding that has been endorsed by all municipalities and Conservation Authorities across Halton Region. It has been commonly documented that Halton

outperforms its peer municipalities in service quality and efficiency related to planning review and approval.

Important actions the Province can take to Address Housing Supply and Affordability

- 1. Halton Region and its Local Municipalities have long-term infrastructure plans to ensure that municipal infrastructure is available to support planned growth and grow the economy in a responsible way. In November 2019, Regional Council approved the 2020 Servicing Allocation Program representing a financing plan to provide roughly \$1.5 Billion worth of water, wastewater and transportation infrastructure to support growth, development and new housing supply across the Region for the next 6-10 years. While this investment in infrastructure underscores the Region's commitment to advancing housing supply as demonstrated through the Region's allocation programs, the absence of a provincial infrastructure plan focused on growing communities, including the delivery of critical provincial infrastructure such as schools, hospitals and highways, has resulted in barriers to increasing housing supply and economic growth. These necessary Provincial assets are integral to unlocking housing supply opportunities and need to be financed, planned, designed and commissioned seamlessly in time to support the needs of growth in new communities.
- 2. Timing to deliver new housing supply is impacted by policies that impose rigid and unnecessary requirements on municipal land use and infrastructure planning. Some examples cited include:
 - a. Reforms to the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process: Construction of critical infrastructure to service growth is often significantly delayed due to the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment planning process when there are frivolous requests to elevate the undertaking to comply with Part II of the Environmental Assessment Act. There is an opportunity for the Province to streamline this process especially when infrastructure is identified by an approved Official Plan.
 - b. Continuous Provincial planning reforms divert municipal resources away from implementing existing policies that support housing supply: Over the last several years municipalities across the Greater Golden Horseshoe have not been afforded an opportunity to plan for and implement growth through updates to municipal official plans due to an ever changing policy environment. There needs to be a 'pause' on provincial planning reforms to allow municipalities to develop and implement their growth plans for new housing supply.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions related to the above comment, please give me a call to discuss further.

Sincerely,

Curt Benson, MCIP, RPP

Director of Planning Services and Chief Planning Official

cc: Jane MacCaskill, Chief Administrative Officer, Halton Region

Overview of Growth Related Regional Financing

For more than 20 years, the financing of growth-related water and wastewater infrastructure services to enable development to proceed has been a partnership between the Region and the development community.

This partnership and the approach to financing growth-related infrastructure differs from the Regions of Peel, York and Durham as those Regions received Provincial funding in the 1970s and early 1980s to finance such infrastructure. When it was time to proceed with large scale growth in Oakville in the mid 1980s in Halton there were no similar provincial funding programs available to fund Halton's growth-related water and wastewater infrastructure. Accordingly, this gave rise to Halton's long standing principle that an acceptable financing plan needed to be approved by Council prior to growth proceeding to protect the Region's tax and rate payers from impacts related to financing growth-related infrastructure.

In recognition that DCs have a limited revenue-generating capacity to fully support growth infrastructure, together with the development community, the Region has explored and employed alternative funding tools and mechanisms (beyond DCs) through its development financing plans over the past years. In its simplest form, Halton's Development Financing Plan involves the following:

A financing plan requires an approved DC by-law in place to ensure that all growth related costs that can be recovered under the DC By-law from growth will be recovered.

Once a DCs by-law was in place with an approved capital forecast which included the capital forecast in the DC Background Study, the Region would then identify how many single detached equivalent units (SDEs) within the growth forecast would proceed to develop within a certain period of time. This is known as the allocation program.

The Region would then identify the growth related water and wastewater projects in the Council approved capital forecast that are required to service development for this Allocation Agreement. The total cost of these projects has two main components: a residential development funding share and non-residential development funding share.

Finally, a financing plan would be prepared to determine whether the prepayment of residential water and wastewater DCs prior to subdivision agreement is sufficient to fund the residential share of the water and wastewater growth-related infrastructure needed to service the development.

The non-residential share would be interim funded by the Region from the Regional Revolving Fund reserve and debt, which would be recovered from future non-residential DCs.

This Revolving Fund reserve was established in the early 1990s to enable the internal borrowing from reserve and limit the external debt to protect the tax and rate payers in the Region. The financing plan recognized that residential-led development would result in timing differences between the financing of the non-residential cost share and when non-residential DCs would be collected as the residential development drives the timing of the infrastructure. The borrowing from the Revolving Fund reserve to fund the non-residential share of the residential led water and wastewater infrastructure requirements was a way of assisting the residential developers to service their development in a timely manner and protect the tax and rate payers of the region. Without this method of interim funding through the

borrowing of reserves, the funding of the nonresidential share of the costs would have to come from the non-residential developers, which would ultimately delay growth.

Once approved by Council, the Allocation Program would be implemented whereby residential developers would enter into a development agreement (under Section 27 of the *Development Charge Act, 1997*) to prepay their DCs based on the funding need.

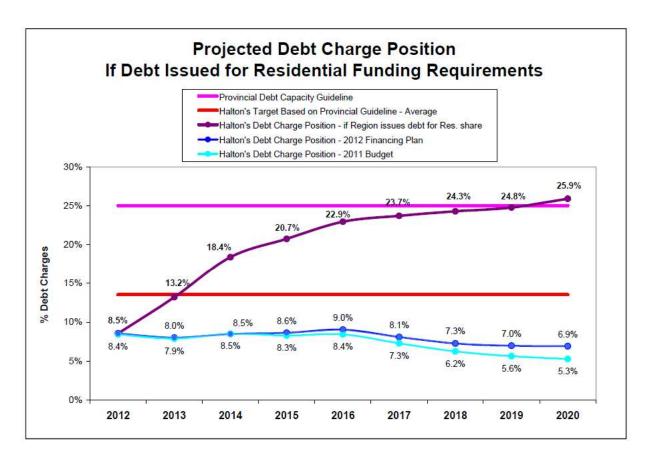
Since 1991, the foregoing has been Halton's approach to financing growth related infrastructure, a model based on a Regional and developer partnership to provide water and wastewater infrastructure to service growth in a timely manner.

For the most part up until 2004, each allocation program generated sufficient residential water and wastewater DCs from the early payment of water and wastewater DCs to fund the residential share of the required infrastructure costs.

Starting in 2005, circumstances changed whereby more significant and costly infrastructure was required to service growth in the allocation programs. This resulted in a funding gap between the residential funding share and the residential DC revenues generated from the prepayment of DCs for water and DC wastewater services. In particular, the major drivers of this funding gap were as follows:

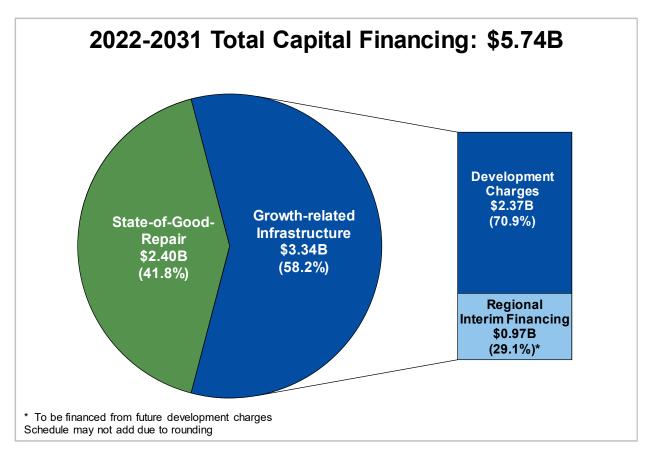
- For the 2005 Allocation Program (approved for 7,386 SDEs), the need for a new water treatment plant was required, which necessitated the voluntary payment of \$1,650 per SDE, in addition to the prepayment of water and wastewater DCs.
- For the 2008/2009 Allocation Program (approved for 8,951 SDEs), the requirement of a second feed water/wastewater main through Oakville and into Milton and funding of an accelerated road capital program (originally initiated by the developers in 2006) necessitated the early payment of future DCs of \$7,889 per SDE, in addition to the prepayment of water and wastewater DCs and road DC payments at subdivision agreement.
- For the 2012 Allocation Program (approved for 14,000 SDEs), the requirements of a Boyne deep sewer and expansion of the Mid Halton wastewater treatment plant together with the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) requirement to accelerate the sewer outfall to Lake Ontario and further acceleration of the road capital program have necessitated the proposed early payment future DCs of \$27,516 per unit, through the Front-End provision in the DCA, in addition to the prepayment of water and wastewater DCs.
- For the 2020 Allocation Program (approved for 18,743 SDEs the need for servicing to Georgetown, as well as major road infrastructure required a prepayments of water, wastewater and roads DCs. The requirement for the prepayment of roads DCs was necessary given the shortfall of roads DC reserves from the 2012 Allocation Program and the significant capital requirements.

If Allocation programs were not in place, the Region would have had to wait until sufficient DC revenue was generated in its reserves to fund this significant infrastructure which would create substantial reserve balances. Issuing debt is a challenge as, in many cases, the cost would exceed both Halton and the Province's debt capacity limit. For example, the 2012 Allocation Program alone would have increased the Region's debt capacity limit above the Province's 25% threshold, well above the Region's guideline limit.



The Region utilizes its debt for strategic priorities and if debt was incurred for development related activity it would limit or nullify its use for strategic needs. Further, if there is a timing delay in development proceeding, debt charges may be left stranded and born on the Region.

In addition to the residential growth-related infrastructure costs, the state-of-good repair, and the non-residential costs also need to be financed in order for infrastructure to proceed. The Region's 2022 10-year capital program totals \$5.74 billion which incorporates \$3.34 billion of growth-related infrastructure and \$2.40 Billion in state-of-good-repair as shown below.



The \$3.34 billion in growth related infrastructure includes \$2.37 billion in DCs and \$0.97 billion in Regional Interim Financing. As mentioned earlier, the Region internally interim finances the non-residential portion of capital costs as a planned investment for economic development in the Region.

Therefore, the Regional share for the 10-year forecast is \$3.37 billion once you factor in the \$2.40 billion required for the state-of-good repair and the 0.97 billion in interim financing. Although the interim investments will be fully reimbursed from the collection of DCs as non-residential development proceeds in the future, at the end of 2021 it is projected that this interim financing for non-residential capital cost, will already be in excess of \$0.5 billion from previous interim financing.



COUNCIL RESOLUTION

SHUNIAH	Resolutio	n No.:_	67-6	12	Date: <u>Feb 22, 2022</u>
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Municipality of Southwest Middlesex

Moved by: Councillor Christa Cowell Seconded by: Councillor Doug Bartlett

THAT the Council of the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex acknowledges and supports Halton Hills' resolution; dissolving the Ontario Land Tribunal. The original resolution is attached.

Municipality of Southwest Middlesex Resolution #2022-055

Carried

Deputy Clerk

March 8 2022



February 9, 2022

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Via Email

Re: Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal

Please be advised that Council for the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday, February 7, 2022, adopted the following Resolution:

Resolution No. 2022-0020

WHEREAS Municipalities across this province collectively spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money and municipal resources developing Official Plans that meet current Provincial Planning Policy;

AND WHEREAS an Official Plan is developed through months of public consultation to ensure, "that future planning and development will meet the specific needs of the Town of Halton Hills community";

AND WHEREAS our Official Plan includes provisions that encourage development of the "missing middle" or "gentle density" to meet the need for attainable housing in our community:

AND WHEREAS our Official Plan is ultimately approved by the province;

AND WHEREAS it is within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to approve Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that better the community or fit within the vision of Town of Halton Hills Official Plan:

AND WHEREAS it is also within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to deny Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that do not better the community or do not fit within the vision of the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan;

AND WHEREAS municipal planning decisions may be appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT; formerly the Ontario Municipal Board or "OMB"), an unelected, appointed body that is not accountable to the residents of the Town of Halton Hills:

AND WHEREAS the OLT has the authority to make a final decision on planning matters based on a "best planning outcome" and not whether the proposed development is in compliance with municipal Official Plans;

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AND WHEREAS all decisions—save planning decisions—made by Municipal Council are only subject to appeal by judicial review and such appeals are limited to questions of law and or process;

AND WHEREAS Ontario is the only province in Canada that empowers a separate adjudicative tribunal to review and overrule local decisions applying provincially approved plans;

AND WHEREAS towns and cities across this Province are repeatedly forced to spend millions of dollars defending Official Plans that have already been approved by the province in expensive, time consuming and ultimately futile OLT hearings;

AND WHEREAS lengthy, costly OLT hearings add years to the development approval process and act as a barrier to the development of attainable housing;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills requests the Government of Ontario to dissolve the OLT immediately thereby eliminating one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of more attainable housing in Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

CARRIED

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2022-0020.

If you have any questions, please contact Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk for the Town of Halton Hills at 905-873-2600 ext. 2331 or valeriep@haltonhills.ca.

Yours truly,

Melissa Lawr

Deputy Clerk - Legislation

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cc. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.: 202

2022-0020

Title:

Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal

Date:

February 7, 2022

Moved by:

Mayor R. Bonnette

Seconded by:

Councillor C. Somerville

Item No. 15.2

WHEREAS Municipalities across this province collectively spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money and municipal resources developing Official Plans that meet current Provincial Planning Policy;

AND WHEREAS an Official Plan is developed through months of public consultation to ensure, "that future planning and development will meet the specific needs of the Town of Halton Hills community":

AND WHEREAS our Official Plan includes provisions that encourage development of the "missing middle" or "gentle density" to meet the need for attainable housing in our community;

AND WHEREAS our Official Plan is ultimately approved by the province;

AND WHEREAS it is within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to approve Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that better the community or fit within the vision of Town of Halton Hills Official Plan;

AND WHEREAS it is also within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to deny Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that do not better the community or do not fit within the vision of the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan;

AND WHEREAS municipal planning decisions may be appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT; formerly the Ontario Municipal Board or "OMB"), an unelected, appointed body that is not accountable to the residents of the Town of Halton Hills;

AN WHEREAS the OLT has the authority to make a final decision on planning matters based on a "best planning outcome" and not whether the proposed development is in compliance with municipal Official Plans;

AND WHEREAS all decisions—save planning decisions—made by Municipal Council are only subject to appeal by judicial review and such appeals are limited to questions of law and or process;

AND WHEREAS Ontario is the only province in Canada that empowers a separate adjudicative tribunal to review and overrule local decisions applying provincially approved plans;

AND WHEREAS towns and cities across this Province are repeatedly forced to spend millions of dollars defending Official Plans that have already been approved by the province in expensive, time consuming and ultimately futile OLT hearings;

AND WHEREAS lengthy, costly OLT hearings add years to the development approval process and act as a barrier to the development of attainable housing;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills requests the Government of Ontario to dissolve the OLT immediately thereby eliminating one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of more attainable housing in Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

Mayor Rick Bonnette

Subject: Mulmur's Endorsement of Town of Halton Hills Resolution

Good Morning,

Please be advised that at Mulmur's Council meeting on March 2, 2022 Council passed the following motion:

15.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

15.13 Town of Halton Hills Resolution: Ontario Land Tribunal

Moved by Cufaro and Seconded by Boxem

THAT Council receives the information items as copied;

AND THAT the following items be endorsed: 15.13 Town of Halton Hills Ontario Land Tribunal Resolution. **CARRIED.**



March 4, 2022

The Honourable Doug Downey Attorney General

attorneygeneral@ontario.ca

Dear Honourable Attorney General Downey:

Subject: Notice of Motion - Joint and Several Liability

At its meeting on February 28, 2022, Oakville Town Council approved the following resolution with respect to the subject item noted above:

WHEREAS municipal governments provide essential services to the residents and businesses in their communities;

WHEREAS the ability to provide those services is negatively impacted by exponentially rising insurance costs;

WHEREAS one driver of rising insurance costs is the legal principle of 'joint and several liability,' which assigns disproportionate liability to municipalities for an incident relative to their responsibility for it;

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has the authority and responsibility for the legal framework of 'joint and several liability;

WHEREAS the Premier of Ontario committed to review the issue in 2018 with a view to helping municipal governments manage their risks and costs; and

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario on behalf of municipal governments has provided recommendations in this source document to align municipal liability with the proportionate responsibility for incidents and capping awards;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town of Oakville does hereby support AMO's recommendations;

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March 4, 2022

Notice of Motion - Joint and Several Liability Subject:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Town of Oakville does hereby call on the Attorney General of Ontario to work with municipal governments to put forward a plan of action to address "joint and several liability" before the end of the government's current term so that municipalities can continue to offer high quality services to their communities; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Region of Halton, City of Burlington, Town of Milton, Town of Halton Hills, local Members of Parliament and Members of Provincial Parliament.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter or should you require additional information, please contact Vicki Tytaneck, Town Clerk at 905-845-6601, extension 2003, or email vicki.tytaneck@oakville.ca.

Sincerely,

Vicki Tytaneck

Vicki Tytaneck Town Clerk

email: Carole Saab, Chief Executive Officer, Federation of Canadian Municipalities Brian Rosborough, Executive Director, Association of Municipalities of Ontario Graham Milne, Regional Clerk and Director of Council Services, Halton Region Kevin Arjoon, City Clerk, City of Burlington

Meaghen Reid, Director of Legislative and Legal Services/Deputy Clerk, Town of Milton Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk and Director of Legislative Services. Town of Halton Hills

The Honourable Anita Anand, MP Oakville

Pam Damoff, MP Oakville North-Burlington The Honourable Karina Gould, MP Burlington

Adam van Koeverden, MP Milton

The Honourable Michael D. Chong, MP Wellington - Halton Hills

Stephen Crawford, MPP Oakville

Effie Triantafilopoulos, MPP Oakville North – Burlington

The Honourable Ted Arnott, MPP Wellington-Halton Hills

Parm Gill, MPP Milton

Jane McKenna, MPP Burlington



March 2, 2022

Valerie Petryniak Town Clerk Town of Halton Hills 1 Halton Hills Drive Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2

Sent via email: valeriep@haltonhills.ca

Re: Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal Our File 35.11.2

Dear Ms. Petryniak,

Please be advised that the Council of the City of St. Catharines, at its meeting held on February 28, 2022, gave consideration to your Council's resolution respecting the abovenoted matter.

The Mayor and Members of Council received and filed the resolution, directing no further action.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at extension 1524.

Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, City Clerk

Legal and Clerks Services, Office of the City Clerk

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CLERKS DEPARTMENT

March 1, 2022

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Premier's Office Room 281 Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Sent via email: doug.fordco@p.ola.org

Dear Premier Ford,

Re: Dissolution of the Ontario Land Tribunal

This is to confirm that at the Feb 28, 2022 Council Meeting the following resolution was adopted with respect to the above noted matter:

That, the Township Clerk be and is hereby authorized to advise the Regional That, the resolution adopted by the Town of Halton Hills Council at their meeting of February 7, 2022, regarding the request for the Government of Ontario to Dissolve the Ontario Land Tribunal; be received and supported.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Jŏanne Scime, Clerk

cc. Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Official Opposition Mike Schreiner, Leader of the Green Party Steven Del Duca, Leader of the Liberal Party All Ontario MPPs
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Subject: FW: Regional Council Decision - Town of Aurora Resolution - Request to Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT)

On February 24, 2022 Regional Council received the communication from the Town of Aurora dated February 22, 2022 and supported the motion, *amended as follows*:

WHEREAS Municipalities across this province collectively spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money and municipal resources developing Official Plans that meet current Provincial Planning Policy; and

WHEREAS an Official Plan is developed through months of public consultation to ensure, "that future planning and development will meet the specific needs of (our) community"; and

WHEREAS our Official Plan includes provisions that encourage development of the "missing middle" or "gentle density" to meet the need for attainable housing in our community; and

WHEREAS our Official Plan is ultimately approved by the province; and

WHEREAS it is within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to approve Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that better the community or fit within the vision of the Town of Aurora Official Plan; and

WHEREAS it is also within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to deny Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that do not better the community or do not fit within the vision of the Town of Aurora Official Plan; and

WHEREAS municipal planning decisions may be appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT; formerly the Ontario Municipal Board or "OMB"), an unelected, appointed body that is not accountable to the residents of Aurora; and

WHEREAS the OLT has the authority to make a final decision on planning matters based on a "best planning outcome" and not whether the proposed development is in compliance with municipal Official Plans; and

WHEREAS all decisions - save planning decisions - made by Municipal Council are only subject to appeal by judicial review and such appeals are limited to questions of law and or process; and

WHEREAS Ontario is the only province in Canada that empowers a separate adjudicative tribunal to review and overrule local decisions applying provincially approved plans; and

WHEREAS towns and cities across this Province are repeatedly forced to spend millions of dollars defending Official Plans that have already been approved by the province in expensive, time consuming and ultimately futile OLT hearings; and

WHEREAS lengthy, costly OLT hearings add years to the development approval process and acts as a barrier to the development of attainable housing;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Government of Ontario be requested to immediately engage municipalities to determine an alternative land use planning appeals process in order to dissolve the OLT and eliminate one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of more attainable housing in Ontario; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for consideration.

Regards,

Christopher Raynor | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services

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February 28, 2022

The Honorable Doug Ford

Premier of Ontario Room 281, Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

RE: DISSOLVE ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL (OLT) (13.2)

Dear Premier:

This will confirm that at its February 23, 2022 meeting, Markham City Council adopted the following resolution:

Whereas Municipalities across this province collectively spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money and municipal resources developing Official Plans that meet current Provincial Planning Policy; and,

Whereas an Official Plan is developed through months of public consultation to ensure, "that future planning and development will meet the specific needs of our community"; and.

Whereas our Official Plan includes zoning provisions that encourage development of the "missing middle" or "gentle density" to meet the need for attainable housing in our community; and,

Whereas our Official Plan is ultimately approved by the province; and,

Whereas it is within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to approve Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that better the community or fit within the vision of the City of Markham Official Plan; and,

Whereas it is also within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to deny Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that do not better the community or do not fit within the vision of the City of Markham Official Plan; and

Whereas municipal planning decisions may be appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT; formerly the Ontario Municipal Board or "OMB"), an unelected, appointed body that is not accountable to the residents of the City of Markham; and,

Whereas the OLT has the authority to make a final decision on planning matters based on a "best planning outcome" and not whether the proposed development is in compliance with municipal Official Plans and Provincial Planning Policy; and,

Whereas Ontario is the only province in Canada that empowers a separate adjudicative tribunal to review and overrule local decisions applying provincially approved plans; and,

Whereas towns and cities across this Province are repeatedly forced to spend millions of dollars defending Official Plans that have already been approved by the province in expensive, time consuming and ultimately futile OLT hearings; and,

Whereas lengthy, costly OLT hearings act as a barrier to the development of all housing and commercial properties.

- Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the City of Markham requests the Government
 of Ontario to instruct the OLT to immediately cease accepting new cases and then
 dissolve the OLT once its current caseload has been addressed, thereby eliminating
 one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of housing
 in Ontario; and,
- Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario; and,
- 3. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Kimberley Kitteringham

City Clerk

cc: Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Opposition, New Democratic Party
Steven Del Duca, Leader, Ontario Liberal Party
Mike Schreiner, Leader, Green Party of Ontario
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CLERK SERVICES

Sent Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

February 24, 2022

Premier Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Legislative Building Queen's Park Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Re: Council Resolution Regarding Ontario Land Tribunal Decision-Making Emphasis

Please be advised that Council for the Town of Innisfil received correspondence from the Town of Halton Hills dated February 9, 2022, and Additional Information from the Director of Growth, regarding Dissolve of Ontario Land Tribunal and adopted the following resolution on February 23, 2022:

- 1. That the Additional Information and correspondence from the Town of Halton Hills regarding Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) be received; and
- 2. That Innisfil Council endorses the Town of Halton Hills' request that the Province of Ontario mandate that the OLT give significant weight to municipal decisions and local policies in OLT decisions; and
- 3. That this resolution be distributed to the Province of Ontario, local MPPs, and the Town of Halton Hills.

Attached please find a copy of the Additional Information and letter provided by Town of Halton for your information.

Yours very truly,

Lee Parkin, Clerk

Manager of Legal and Clerk Services

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Additional Information Memorandum regarding Correspondence from the Town of Halton Hills Re: Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal



One Town One Team

To: Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Members of Council

From: Leo DeLoyde, Director, Growth

Date: February 23, 2022

Recommendation:

That the Additional Information Memorandum regarding the Correspondence from the Town of Halton Hills Re: Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal dated February 23, 2022 be received for information.

Additional Information:

The Town of Halton Hills Council adopted a motion on February 7, 2022, requesting that the Province of Ontario dissolve the Ontario Land Tribunal and has requested that other municipalities in Ontario consider supporting their motion.

History of the Ontario Land Tribunal:

The Canadian Constitution assigns responsibility for resource use and land use to the provinces. In turn, provinces adopt legislation to establish of municipal orders of government and regulate land use. The province created the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) in 1932 to oversee financially distressed municipalities during the Great Depression. Since that time, the OMB has undergone changes including its evolution into the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT), followed by the establishment of the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) on June 1, 2021.

The OLT adjudicates matters pertaining to 29 Acts including land use planning, environment, natural heritage protection, land valuation, land compensation, municipal finance, and other related matters.

Section 2 of the Planning Act requires tribunals such as the OLT to have regard for municipal decisions and matters of provincial interest.

Staff do not support the dissolution of the OLT because it adjudicates:

- land use conflicts
- heritage designations
- expropriations
- land assessment
- conservation, environment, and mining

Provinces that do not have an OLT type body rely on their court systems to adjudicate land use planning conflicts. The province has responded to calls for changes to the land tribunal system

by making improvements to the system from time to time. The one area mentioned in the Halton Hills recommendation that staff agrees with is the call to OLT to place greater emphasis on municipal decisions and local priorities.

Financial Consideration:

Adjudication of land related conflicts, whether through a specialized OLT tribunal or through provincial court systems, take significant staff and financial resources. There is no evidence to support the assertion that significant cost savings would accrue should the OLT be dissolved.

Local Impact:

The OLT's adjudicative responsibilities and procedures are known. As is the case with any adjudicative body, outcomes are unpredictable until the process is complete. Staff do not agree there is a compelling case for OLT dissolution, nor is it clear as to what would replace the OLT's adjudicative role.

Options/Alternatives:

Council has the option of adopting the Feb 7, 2022, Town of Halton Hills resolution to dissolve the OLT.

Alternatively, Council has the option of agreeing in part with select themes in the Halton Hills resolution. To this end, if Council wishes to approve a resolution on this topic, Council may consider an alternative resolution to emphasize the need for OLT to give significant weight to municipal decisions and local priorities in its rulings.

That Innisfil Council endorses the Town of Halton Hills request that the Province of Ontario mandate that the OLT give significant weight to municipal decisions and local policies in OLT decisions; and

That this resolution be distributed to the Province of Ontario, local MPPs, and the Town of Halton Hills.

Conclusion:

While Staff appreciate the concerns raised by the Town of Halton Hills, we do not support the dissolution of the OLT since it is a key tribunal that addresses a wide spectrum of land related conflicts.

Prepared By: Leo DeLoyde, Director of Growth

Approved By: Oliver Jerschow, CAO



February 9, 2022

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Via Email

Re: Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal

Please be advised that Council for the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday, February 7, 2022, adopted the following Resolution:

Resolution No. 2022-0020

WHEREAS Municipalities across this province collectively spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money and municipal resources developing Official Plans that meet current Provincial Planning Policy;

AND WHEREAS an Official Plan is developed through months of public consultation to ensure, "that future planning and development will meet the specific needs of the Town of Halton Hills community";

AND WHEREAS our Official Plan includes provisions that encourage development of the "missing middle" or "gentle density" to meet the need for attainable housing in our community:

AND WHEREAS our Official Plan is ultimately approved by the province;

AND WHEREAS it is within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to approve Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that better the community or fit within the vision of Town of Halton Hills Official Plan:

AND WHEREAS it is also within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to deny Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that do not better the community or do not fit within the vision of the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan;

AND WHEREAS municipal planning decisions may be appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT; formerly the Ontario Municipal Board or "OMB"), an unelected, appointed body that is not accountable to the residents of the Town of Halton Hills:

AND WHEREAS the OLT has the authority to make a final decision on planning matters based on a "best planning outcome" and not whether the proposed development is in compliance with municipal Official Plans;

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AND WHEREAS all decisions—save planning decisions—made by Municipal Council are only subject to appeal by judicial review and such appeals are limited to questions of law and or process;

AND WHEREAS Ontario is the only province in Canada that empowers a separate adjudicative tribunal to review and overrule local decisions applying provincially approved plans;

AND WHEREAS towns and cities across this Province are repeatedly forced to spend millions of dollars defending Official Plans that have already been approved by the province in expensive, time consuming and ultimately futile OLT hearings;

AND WHEREAS lengthy, costly OLT hearings add years to the development approval process and act as a barrier to the development of attainable housing;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills requests the Government of Ontario to dissolve the OLT immediately thereby eliminating one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of more attainable housing in Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

CARRIED

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2022-0020.

If you have any questions, please contact Valerie Petryniak, Town Clerk for the Town of Halton Hills at 905-873-2600 ext. 2331 or valeriep@haltonhills.ca.

Yours truly,

Melissa Lawr

Deputy Clerk - Legislation

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cc. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Resolution No.:

2022-0020

Title:

Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal

Date:

February 7, 2022

Moved by:

Mayor R. Bonnette

Seconded by:

Councillor C. Somerville

Item No. 15.2

WHEREAS Municipalities across this province collectively spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money and municipal resources developing Official Plans that meet current Provincial Planning Policy:

AND WHEREAS an Official Plan is developed through months of public consultation to ensure, "that future planning and development will meet the specific needs of the Town of Halton Hills community":

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AND WHEREAS it is within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to approve Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that better the community or fit within the vision of Town of Halton Hills Official Plan;

AND WHEREAS it is also within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to deny Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that do not better the community or do not fit within the vision of the Town of Halton Hills Official Plan;

AND WHEREAS municipal planning decisions may be appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT; formerly the Ontario Municipal Board or "OMB"), an unelected, appointed body that is not accountable to the residents of the Town of Halton Hills;

AN WHEREAS the OLT has the authority to make a final decision on planning matters based on a "best planning outcome" and not whether the proposed development is in compliance with municipal Official Plans;

AND WHEREAS all decisions—save planning decisions—made by Municipal Council are only subject to appeal by judicial review and such appeals are limited to questions of law and or process;

AND WHEREAS Ontario is the only province in Canada that empowers a separate adjudicative tribunal to review and overrule local decisions applying provincially approved plans;

AND WHEREAS towns and cities across this Province are repeatedly forced to spend millions of dollars defending Official Plans that have already been approved by the province in expensive, time consuming and ultimately futile OLT hearings;

AND WHEREAS lengthy, costly OLT hearings add years to the development approval process and act as a barrier to the development of attainable housing;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills requests the Government of Ontario to dissolve the OLT immediately thereby eliminating one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of more attainable housing in Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

Mayor Rick Bonnette



Legislative Services Michael de Rond 905-726-4771 clerks@aurora.ca

Town of Aurora 100 John West Way, Box 1000 Aurora, ON L4G 6J1

February 22, 2022

Delivered by email premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Premier's Office, Room 281 Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier:

Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of February 22, 2022

Re: Item 10.1 – Mayor Mrakas; Re: Request to Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT)

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its meeting held on February 22, 2022, and in this regard, Council adopted the following resolution:

Whereas Municipalities across this province collectively spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money and municipal resources developing Official Plans that meet current Provincial Planning Policy; and

Whereas an Official Plan is developed through months of public consultation to ensure, "that future planning and development will meet the specific needs of (our) community"; and

Whereas our Official Plan includes provisions that encourage development of the "missing middle" or "gentle density" to meet the need for attainable housing in our community; and

Whereas our Official Plan is ultimately approved by the province; and

Whereas it is within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to approve Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that better the community or fit within the vision of the Town of Aurora Official Plan; and

Whereas it is also within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to deny Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that do not better the community or do not fit within the vision of the Town of Aurora Official Plan; and

Whereas municipal planning decisions may be appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT; formerly the Ontario Municipal Board or "OMB"), an unelected, appointed body that is not accountable to the residents of Aurora; and

Whereas the OLT has the authority to make a final decision on planning matters based on a "best planning outcome" and not whether the proposed development is in compliance with municipal Official Plans; and

Whereas all decisions—save planning decisions—made by Municipal Council are only subject to appeal by judicial review and such appeals are limited to questions of law and or process; and

Whereas Ontario is the only province in Canada that empowers a separate adjudicative tribunal to review and overrule local decisions applying provincially approved plans; and

Whereas towns and cities across this Province are repeatedly forced to spend millions of dollars defending Official Plans that have already been approved by the province in expensive, time consuming and ultimately futile OLT hearings; and

Whereas lengthy, costly OLT hearings add years to the development approval process and acts as a barrier to the development of attainable housing;

- Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Town of Aurora Council requests the Government of Ontario to dissolve the OLT immediately thereby eliminating one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of more attainable housing in Ontario; and
- 2. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Opposition, the Leaders of the Liberal and Green Party, all MPPs in the Province of Ontario; the Large Urban Mayors' Caucus of Ontario, the Small Urban GTHA Mayors and Regional Chairs of Ontario; and
- 3. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration.

The above is for your consideration and any attention deemed necessary.

Yours sincerely,

Michael de Rond

Town Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

MdR/is

Copy: Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Andrea Horwath, Leader of the Opposition, New Democratic Party

Steven Del Luca, Leader, Ontario Liberal Party Mike Schreiner, Leader, Green Party of Ontario

All MPPs in the Province of Ontario

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All Ontario Municipalities



RESOLUTION

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FARADAY

March 2, 2022 Resolution No. 2

Moved by: C.A. Tinney Seconded by: M. Nicholson

WHEREAS the Towns of Halton Hills passed a resolution on February 17, 2022 regarding dissolving the Ontario Land Tribunal;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Farday support the resolution of the Town of Halton Hills and request that the Government of Ontario dissolve the OLT immediately, thereby eliminating one of the most significant sources of red tape, delaying the development of more attainable housing in Ontario.

Carried by: D.J. Purcell, MAYOR

I, Dawn Switzer, Clerk-Treasurer of the Township of Faraday do hereby certify this to be a true copy of Resolution No. 2 as passed in an open meeting of Council held on March 2, 2022 at the Township of Faraday Municipal Office.

Dawn Switzer Clerk-Treasurer



Regular Council Meeting Resolution Form

Date: February 15, 2022 No: RESOLUTION - 64-2022

Moved by Mayor Tom Peckett Disposition: CARRIED

Seconded by Councillor Scott Brum Item No: 10.1

Description: Request for Support #1 - Halton Hills - Dissolve Ontario Land Tribunal

RESOLUTION:

THAT Council support the Town of Halton Hills in their effort to request that the Government of Ontario dissolve the Ontario Land Tribunal immediately.

MAYOR

Recorded Vote Requested by:			Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:		
T. Peckett B. Armsden H. Lang S. Brum	Yea	Nay	Disclosed his/her/their interest(s), vacated he/her/their seat(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote		
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Whereas it is within the legislative purview of Municipal Council to approve Official Plan amendments or Zoning By-law changes that better the community or fit within the vision of the Township of McNab/Braeside Official Plan; and

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Whereas lengthy, costly OLT hearings add years to the development approval process and act as a barrier to the development of attainable housing;

- Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the Township of McNab/Braeside requests the Government of Ontario to dissolve the OLT immediately thereby eliminating one of the most significant sources of red tape delaying the development of more attainable housing in Ontario; and
- 2. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this Motion be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Mayor Tom Peckett

Township of McNab/Braeside