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None.





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December 13, 2021

#### **RE: Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action**

At the meeting held on December 8, 2021, Council of the Township of Mulmur passed the following resolution regarding the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action.

#### Moved by Boxem and Seconded by Cufaro

WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission released 94 Calls to Action to redress the legacy of residential school and advance the process of reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Mulmur has reviewed the Calls to Action directed at municipal government;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of Mulmur take the following actions to address the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calles to Action directed at municipal government;

- THAT Council supports the implementation of Jordan's Principal;
- THAT Council permanently waives administrative fees related to name changes and revision of official documents for residential school survivors:
- THAT Council requests an update from the Central West Local Health Integration Network and Headwaters Health Care Centre to provide an update on the steps taken to address the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action #23 and encourage cultural competency training for all healthcare professionals in Dufferin County be completed by the end of 2022;
- THAT Council further calls for the Ontario Government to take action on addressing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action #23;
- THAT Council requests an update from the Caledon Dufferin Victim Services on the steps taken to address the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to



Action #40 to create adequately funded and accessible Aboriginal-specific victim programs and services in Dufferin County;

- THAT Council further calls for the Ontario Government to take action on addressing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action #40, specifically making these programs and services available within Aboriginal communities;
- THAT Council calls upon the Ontario Government to take action on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action #43 and move forward with passing Bill 76, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People Act;
- THAT Council commits to ensuring that Mulmur's policies and bylaws do not rely on the colonial concepts of terra nullius;
- THAT Council commits to providing the National Council for Reconciliation, annual reports and current data as requested;
- THAT Council commits to providing skill-based training and/or information sessions including but not limited to intercultural competency, conflict resolution, human rights and anti-racism for all elected officials, residents and staff of the Township of Mulmur;
- THAT Council requests an update from the Dufferin Peel Catholic School Board and Conseil Scolaire Catholique MonAvenir on the steps taken to address the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action #64;
- THAT Council recognizes the recent funding and commitment made by the Ontario Government to address the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action #62 and #63 and urges the Ontario Government to also address the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action #64 by including curriculum on comparative religious studies in denominational schools;
- THAT Council further their commitment to commemorating the legacy of residential schools and honouring residential school survivors by annually recognizing September 30<sup>th</sup> as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation;
- THAT Council open the first Council meeting in September each year with a moment of silence to pay respect to the innocent lives lost within the Canadian Residential School system;
- THAT Council direct staff to work in collaboration with the Dufferin County Cultural Resource Circle to encourage Dufferin County residents to share their

stories with the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, Mulmur Township and local libraries;

- THAT Council direct staff to request educational materials from the Museum of Dufferin, Indigenous Sport & Wellness Ontario, and/or other applicable agencies for distribution to Mulmur residents telling the national story of Aboriginal athletes in history;
- THAT Council direct staff to amend the Community Grant Policy to include a section to support Aboriginal athletic development/growth and support for the North American Indigenous Games and encourage the Ontario Government to provide financial support;

THEREFORE IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED THAT this motion be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Ministry of the Attorney General, Ministry of Indigenous Affairs, Ministry of Education, Caledon Dufferin Victim Services, Central West Local Health Integration Network, Headwaters Health Care Centre, Local Libraries, Dufferin Peel Catholic School Board, Conseil Scolaire Catholique MonAvenir, Dufferin Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones, Dufferin County and all Ontario municipalities.

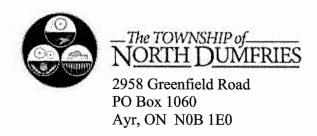
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CARRIED.

Sincerely,

#### Roseann Knechtel

Roseann Knechtel, Deputy Clerk/Planner Coordinator Township of Mulmur



December 14, 2021

RE: Resolution related to Regional Governance Review Report

Attention: Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

This letter is to advise you that the Township of North Dumfries Council, at their Regular Council Meeting held on November 22, 2021 adopted the following resolution:

"THAT Report CLK-23-2021 be received;

WHEREAS in 2018 the Ontario Government announced it would appoint two special advisors to review eight regional municipalities, Simcoe County, and their lower-tier municipalities to ensure that the upper and lower-tier municipalities in these geographic areas are efficient and accountable to their residents and business; and,

WHEREAS in 2019 the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing received the complete report from the special advisors; and,

WHEREAS in October 2019, the Minister announced the regional review was complete, and made available \$143 million to municipalities to help them lower costs and improve services for local residents; and further,

WHEREAS the Ontario Government has declined to make the final regional review report available to the public;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Ontario Government be urged to release the final report to the public in order for municipalities to make informed decisions regarding service delivery improvements;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the Ontario Government does not wish to release the full and complete report, that specific recommendations and comments contained in the final report be provided to those municipalities affected;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Premier of Ontario; Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Local Members of Provincial Parliament; and, to the eight regional municipalities, Simcoe County, and their lower-tier municipalities included in the regional review.



Please contact the undersigned should you require anything further.

Sincerely,

Ashley Sage, Clerk

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Township of North Dumfries

cc. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Local Members of Provincial Parliament; and, to the eight regional municipalities, Simcoe County, and their lower-tier municipalities included in the regional review

From: EA Modernization (MECP) < EAModernization. MECP@ontario.ca>

Sent: December 14, 2021 5:35 PM

To: EA Modernization (MECP) < EAModernization. MECP@ontario.ca>

Cc: EA Modernization (MECP) < EAModernization.MECP@ontario.ca >; Cross, Annamaria (MECP)

<a href="mailto:</a><a href="mailto:Annamaria.Cross@ontario.ca">ontario.ca</a>

Subject: Environmental Assessment Modernization Decisions: Updating EA Requirements for

Transmission Lines and Clarifying the Authority to Amend a Class EA

Hello,

Please find attached notification letters about two decisions that are part of our environmental assessment modernization initiatives:

Updating Environmental Assessment Requirements for Transmission Lines
 The new regulation (Ontario Regulation 852/21) that amends the Class Environmental
 Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities, comes into effect on January 1, 2022. The
 amendments update the environmental assessment requirements for critical transmission
 infrastructure, while maintaining strong environmental protections.

2) Clarifying the Authority to Amend a Class Environmental Assessment

A minor amendment was made to the *Environmental Assessment Act* to make it clearer that the Act's authority includes changing the types of projects that can follow a class environmental assessment process.

Please do not hesitate to contact the ministry at <u>EAmodernization.mecp@ontario.ca</u> with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Annamaria Cross

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Director, Environmental Assessment Modernization Environmental Assessment and Permissions Division Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks



Hello,

I am writing to provide you information on the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' ongoing efforts to modernize Ontario's environmental assessment program. On July 5, 2021, the ministry posted a proposal to update the environmental assessment requirements for establishing electricity transmission line projects. I am writing to you today to let you know that these changes have been approved.

The changes to the environmental assessment requirements for critical transmission infrastructure to support expanded access to lower carbon energy sources from Ontario's electricity grid, promote regional economic development and shorten-times for building critical infrastructure projects across the province.

The amendments to the Class Environmental Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities will come into effect on January 1, 2022. They will allow more projects to follow the streamlined class environmental assessment process instead of needing to complete an individual/comprehensive environmental assessment. It will update thresholds for individual/comprehensive environmental assessments for transmission line projects that align with the designation threshold under federal environmental assessment laws for new international electrical transmission lines. Accordingly, the planning, design and constructing of the following types of transmission line projects will be subject to the Class Environmental Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities:

- Transmission lines that are capable of operating at a nominal voltage of 115 kV or more but less than 345 kV, and are more than 2 km in length.
- Transmission lines that are capable of operating at a nominal voltage of 345 kV or more but less than 500 kV, and are more than 2 km but less than 75 km in length.

Transmission lines 75 km or more in length and 345 kV or greater in voltage are required to complete an individual environmental assessment.

Details of the decision are available on the Environmental Registry of Ontario here: <a href="https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-3937">https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-3937</a>.

More information our other efforts to modernize the environmental assessment program can also be found here: <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/page/modernizing-ontarios-environmental-assessment-program">https://www.ontario.ca/page/modernizing-ontarios-environmental-assessment-program</a>.

We are committed to keeping you apprised about the environmental assessment modernization and working with you to build a strong environmental assessment program for Ontario. We value your perspectives on the environmental assessment program.

Sincerely,

Annamaria Cross Director, Environmental Assessment Modernization Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks



Greetings,

On October 7, 2021, the ministry wrote to you to about a minor amendment that was being proposed to the *Environmental Assessment Act* to support the ministry's environmental assessment modernization initiative. I am writing to you today to let you know the change has been approved and took effect on December 2, 2021.

The *Environmental Assessment Act* already included the authority to amend a class environmental assessment by Minister's amendment or by regulation. The change to the Act makes it clearer that the authority includes changing the types of projects that can follow a class environmental assessment process. All comments and feedback received were considered in making a decision on this proposal.

We are committed to seeking input from Indigenous communities, the public and other stakeholders before making a change to a class environmental assessment to allow additional project types to begin following that process. In the event the authority is used to change the types of projects that are subject to a class environmental assessment process, that proposed change would be consulted on.

Projects that follow a class environmental assessment process will still require:

- consultation with Indigenous communities, the public and other stakeholders;
- assessment of environmental impacts;
- development of mitigation measures; and
- documentation of the findings in a report.

Details of the decision are available on the Environmental Registry of Ontario here: <a href="https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-3937">https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-3937</a>.

We will be in touch as we continue to modernize environmental assessment in Ontario.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>EAmodernization.mecp@ontario.ca</u> with any questions you may have at any time.

Sincerely,

Annamaria Cross Director, Environmental Assessment Modernization Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Sent: December 15, 2021 12:56 PM

To: Therrien, Dean (MECP) < Dean. Therrien@ontario.ca>

**Subject:** Environmental Registry of Ontario - Proposal Posting - Streamlining Environmental Permissions for Microbreweries and Nanobreweries Through Self-Registration and Exemptions (Municipalities A-L)

#### Good afternoon:

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (ministry) has posted a proposal notice on the Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO) to streamline environmental permissions for microbreweries and nanobreweries through self-registration, exemptions and the removal of unnecessary technical reporting requirements. Microbreweries would continue to be required to follow standard operational requirements that help prevent potential impacts of air emissions, odour, noise and dust on the surrounding community. These changes would reduce burden and cost for small-scale breweries, maintain the protection of the environment and human health, and encourage expansion and growth in the sector.

The proposal notice is now available for public comment until January 29, 2022.

#### Our proposed changes and their benefits

The Ontario government is focused on supporting the growth of new and existing small businesses. Microbreweries and nanobreweries are small businesses that provide economic opportunities for entrepreneurs, local employment and the tourism and hospitality industry.

All breweries currently require an environmental permission through self-registration on the <u>Air Emissions - Environmental Activities and Sector Registry</u> (A/E EASR). Self-registration under the A/E EASR requires a licensed engineering practitioner to sign and seal an Emission Summary and Dispersion Modelling report (i.e., an air emissions report), and complete noise, odour, and fugitive dust reports prior to registration.

The ministry completed a technical assessment of the daily and annual beer production from small-scale breweries. The ministry found that microbreweries and nanobreweries, using standard processes and operating within daily and annual production limits, are expected to comply with ministry air emission limits. The technical assessment also found that potential nuisance odour and noise from these facilities can be mitigated by common operational practices and equipment. Therefore, the ministry is proposing to remove the regulatory requirement for microbreweries and nanobreweries to complete unnecessary facility specific air emissions, odour, noise and dust reports.

The ministry is proposing to facilitate the removal of unnecessary technical reporting requirements by implementing an Environmental Activities and Sector Registry (EASR) regulation specific to microbreweries. The EASR would require microbreweries to self-register and follow standard operational requirements that would mitigate potential



impacts on the surrounding community from air emissions and nuisance odour, noise and dust.

The ministry is also proposing to exempt nanobreweries from self-registration requirements as the level of beer production is low and expected to comply with ministry emission limits. A Best Management Practices (BMP) document is included in the proposal to support nanobreweries in making decisions on operational practices and equipment that will reduce or prevent potential nuisance odour and noise impacts on the surrounding community. The BMP is available to review along with the proposal on the ERO.

You can submit comments online through the <u>ERO proposal posting</u> or by submitting comments to Dean Therrien, Senior Program Advisor, Programs and Policy Development Unit, Client Services and Permissions Branch at <u>dean.therrien@ontario.ca</u> by January 29, 2022. The feedback that we receive during this consultation period will help inform the final regulatory amendments. The ministry will provide details soon on an upcoming webinar to support the proposal.

We look forward to your participation and in receiving feedback from you and your staff on this ministry initiative.

Thank you,
Heather Malcolmson
Director, Client Services and Permissions Branch

Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry

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Subject: Proposed regulatory changes under the Aggregate Resources Act

Dear Ontario Heads of Council and Clerks,

The Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry recognizes the critical role Ontario's municipalities play in the lives of Ontarians. We value our strong collaborative partnership with municipalities and the associations that represent their interests.

I am writing to inform you, the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry is proposing regulatory changes under the *Aggregate Resources Act*. These changes will harmonize with Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' new provincial requirements under the *Environmental Protection Act* (EPA) for soil that is moved during construction activities to another site for a beneficial reuse (i.e., excess soil). Ontario Regulation 406/19, and Rules for Soil Management and Excess Soil Quality Standards include risk-based quality standards for the safe reuse of excess soil.

#### We invite you to review the changes and offer comments.

A complete summary of the proposed regulatory changes can be found on the Environmental Registry at the following address: www.ero.ontario.ca

Then search for notice: 019-4801

There are several ways you can comment on this proposal, including:

- 1. Directly through the Environmental Registry posting (click on the "Submit a comment" button)
- 2. By email to aggregates@ontario.ca, or
- 3. By mail to:

Resources Development Section
Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry
300 Water Street, 2nd Floor South
Peterborough, ON K9J 3C7

If you have any questions you can contact Darryl Mitchell at (705) 313-2154.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Keyes, Director, Resources Planning and Development Policy Branch



From: AMO Communications < Communicate@amo.on.ca>

Sent: December 16, 2021 10:06 AM

To: Lisa Lehr < <a href="mailto:llehr@essatownship.on.ca">llehr@essatownship.on.ca</a>

Subject: AMO WatchFile - December 16, 2021

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December 16, 2021

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#### **AMO**

AMO and the Province of Ontario released the 2020/21 <u>Joint Annual Memorandum of Understanding Statement</u> [FR]. The Joint Statement provides an update of some of the activities and accomplishments under the MOU during 2020 and 2021.

A recording of the recent webinar on *Conservation Authorities Act* Phase 1 Regulations provided jointly by Conservation Ontario and AMO is available <u>here</u>.

AMO hosted a webinar on December 3rd to discuss changes to the On-Site and Excess Soil Management Regulation (O. Reg 406/19) that come into effect on January 1, 2022. You can view the recording <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a>.

#### **Provincial Matters**

CBRE Limited, on behalf of Infrastructure Ontario (IO), is inviting interested parties to propose land sites across Ontario to set up a science complex with laboratory, ancillary office space, storage, and fleet/equipment management facilities. More details here.



#### **Federal Matters**

Applications to the <u>Northern Access Round of the Housing Supply Challenge</u> open January 12. Applicants are invited to submit solutions for improving the housing supply chain in northern and remote regions.

Municipalities and others are called to <u>share ideas</u> for the Housing Accelerator Fund and Rent-to-Own program by January 31, 2022. These programs aim to contribute to effective housing solutions.

#### Eye on Events

AMO's in demand training on skills for elected officials to navigate conflict relations is available for two more sessions in 2022. Sign up for the February 16/17th or April 6/7th sessions here. Limited seats available.

The AMO 2022 Annual General Meeting and Conference will be held in-person August 14-17, hosted by the City of Ottawa. Details on registration, hotel bookings, program, sponsorship and exhibitor packages will be available in February 2022. Please watch the <u>AMO conference website</u> for updates.

Dr. Bruce Lourie, influential environmental policy expert and bestselling author will discuss cutting to the chase to manage climate risk and transitioning to a net-zero economy, the role of science in policy. You can view the Conference program <a href="here">here</a>, and register <a href="here">here</a>.

ROMA continues the tradition of hosting the Michael J. Smither Question Box Panel. Registered delegates can submit questions in advance of the conference <u>here</u>.

#### LAS

The <u>Canoe Procurement Group</u> simplifies the purchasing process and saves money. We conduct a full procurement on behalf of all municipalities in Ontario, saving you the time of doing your own. Through bulk purchase contracts you can reduce the cost of almost anything you need for your municipal operations. <u>Contact Tanner</u> to learn more.

#### **Municipal Wire\***

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 <a href="https://www.voterlookup.ca">voterlookup.ca</a>. Download <a href="mailto:Toolkit">Toolkit</a>.

#### Careers

<u>Accounting Supervisor/Junior Financial Analyst - City of Orillia</u>. Role is to oversee and supervise all aspects of Accounts Receivables and Accounts Payables including invoicing, collections, payments, appropriate authorizations, internal controls, and timely, accurate processing. Interested applicants are invited to apply by January 7th, 2022 at noon.

<u>Senior Financial Planning Analyst - City of Orillia</u>. The role is to participate in the development and implementation of policies / procedures and internal control processes reflecting industry best practice. Interact with the City leaders on non-compliance for appropriate resolution. Interested applicants are invited to <u>apply</u> by January 7th, 2022 at noon.

<u>Director of Business Development - City of Orillia</u>. Reporting to the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), the Director of Business Development provides leadership, overall direction, management and administration of functions associated with business development, culture and tourism. Apply <u>online</u> by January 7, 2022.

<u>Building Inspector - Municipality of Dutton Dunwich.</u> The successful applicant will be responsible to perform all statutory duties in accordance with the Ontario Building Code, *Building Code Act* and various other Acts/legislation and applicable law consistent with established policies, practices and procedures. Interested and qualified candidates are requested to submit a detailed resume and cover letter by December 28, 2021 to kmorreau@duttondunwich.on.ca.

Team Lead, Program Financial Management - Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. The Ministry is seeking experienced individuals to join their team, to lead and coordinate the financial management, controllership and administration responsibilities for all financial and business processes relating to funding for housing and homelessness programs. Please apply online by December 31, 2021.

#### About AMO

AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario's and Canada's political system. Follow <u>@AMOPolicy</u> on Twitter!

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From: AMO Communications < Communicate@amo.on.ca>

Sent: January 5, 2022 2:00 PM

To: Lisa Lehr < <a href="mailto:llehr@essatownship.on.ca">llehr@essatownship.on.ca</a>

Subject: AMO Policy Update - New Year Calls to Action and other issues of municipal concern

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## POLICY UPDATE

January 5, 2022

AMO Policy Update - New Year Calls to Action and other issues of municipal concern

#### Call to Action – Joint and Several Liability

In 2018, Premier Ford committed to reviewing the matter of municipal joint and several liability. This review was conducted in 2019 with AMO and municipalities fully participating. Unfortunately, the results of this provincial review have not been released and municipalities are still awaiting news of how the Attorney General will address this important matter.

As municipal leaders are aware, liability and risks are one major driver of exponentially increasing insurance costs. However, managing risk and liability also has environmental impacts such as road salt application affecting wetlands and water quality in our lakes and streams.

To help drive the policy discussion, AMO submitted "<u>Towards a Reasonable Balance</u> — <u>Addressing Growing Municipal Liability and Insurance Costs</u>" in October 2019 that provides a refresh on the municipal argument to find a balance to the issues and challenges presented by joint and several liability, including implementing full proportionate liability and a cap on economic loss awards. It provided seven straightforward recommendations for actions to deal with this problem.

AMO is now asking for municipal councils to lend their support to the 7 recommendations contained in the AMO submission to re-establish the priority for provincial action on this issue. Councils are encouraged to pass a resolution when you next meet to ask the government to work with us to on a plan for resolution before the end of its current mandate.

Please send your supportive resolutions to the Attorney General, the Honourable Doug Downey at <a href="mailto:attorneygeneral@ontario.ca">attorneygeneral@ontario.ca</a> and copy the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Steve Clark at <a href="mailto:minister.mah@ontario.ca">minister.mah@ontario.ca</a> as well as the AMO President, Jamie McGarvey, at <a href="mailto:amo.on.ca">amopresident@amo.on.ca</a>.



#### Call to Action - CN Rail and Drainage

AMO has prepared a <u>template letter</u> (also available for download in <u>.docx</u> format) for municipal Councils that are experiencing issues with drainage maintenance work, construction of new drains, and the collection of assessed costs to Railways for the *Drainage Act*. The template letter, which can be modified by each municipal Council, is intended to amplify support of the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA)'s <u>letter</u> dated December 23, 2021. As the Minister states in her letter, "Given that federally regulated railways are indeed subject to the *Drainage Act*, we expect CN Rail to pay its costs as assessed under the *Drainage Act* and not to hinder the progress of these projects or others in the future."

Municipal Councils are encouraged to send the letter to each of the recipients copied in the letter and forward a copy to <a href="mailto:policy@amo.on.ca">policy@amo.on.ca</a>.

# Providing More Care, Protecting Seniors and Building More Beds Act Receives Royal Assent

On December 9<sup>th</sup>, the *Providing More Care, Protecting Seniors, and Building More Beds Act, 2021,* received Royal Assent. The legislation will repeal the *Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007* and replace it with the *Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021*. This new Act establishes in law the commitment to provide an average of four hours of direct care per resident per day by March 31, 2025, with increasing interim goals to increase care; establish new compliance and enforcement tools, including doubling the fines on the conviction of an offence; and align the Residents' Bill of Rights with the Ontario *Human Rights Code* and recognize the role caregivers play in resident health and well-being. The legislation also makes changes to the *Retirement Homes Act, 2021*.

AMO provided both a <u>written submission</u> to the Standing Committee on the Legislative Assembly and presented to the Committee our feedback on the Bill. The legislature made a revision to include emotional needs in the preamble of the Act, but not as a fundamental principle as was advocated for by AMO and other organizations. The government is set to propose and publicly consult on regulations for the two Acts in the coming months. AMO will continue to provide input and advocate for increased funding for municipal homes to implement emotion-focused models of care.

#### Call for Ideas: Housing Accelerator Fund and Rent-to-Own Program

The federal Minister of Housing and Diversity has launched a Call for Ideas for two of the federal government's priorities outlined in the Speech for the Throne. The Housing Accelerator Fund would aim to remove barriers and help municipalities build housing more quickly in an ambitious and innovative manner, while the Rent-to-Own program would aim to help make it easier for renters to work towards home ownership. Municipalities, provinces and territories, Indigenous governments, organizations and communities, private and non-profit housing sectors, and Canadians are invited to share their ideas on how these programs could be most effective.



Ideas can be submitted until January 31, 2022 at https://www.placetocallhome.ca/callforideas.

#### AMO Submission to the Ministry of Health on Municipal-OHT Engagement

AMO has submitted <u>recommendations</u> to the Minister of Health that will improve and standardize the relationship between Ontario Health Teams (OHTs), municipal governments, and District Social Service Administration Boards (DSSABs). Currently 50 OHTs have been established in the province; however, of the 42 OHTs that were approved prior to September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021, only 40% have listed a municipality as a partner or member.

The integration of municipal governments and District Social Service Administration Boards into Ontario Health Teams' (OHTs) decision-making across the province has been inconsistent and inappropriate for an order of government. AMO has long called upon the province to mandate a municipal voice into health care service planning and decision making. AMO's submission calls on the Ministry to implement these recommendations and ensure that municipal knowledge is integrated into local system planning and management of the health care system.

#### **Municipal Cannabis Resources Available**

AMO has assembled resources and key messages for municipalities to consider when addressing personal and designated medical cannabis grows in their communities and in their provincial and federal cannabis advocacy. The Municipal Resources have been assembled to provide examples of how Ontario communities have addressed issues related to medical cannabis grows. They do not reflect any requirements but offer examples of possible tools for municipal governments to consider.

The <u>Key Messages for Municipalities</u> offer messaging that municipal governments may choose to consider in their provincial and federal cannabis advocacy. Both resources have been compiled based on the input and contributions of AMO's Personal and Designated Medical Cannabis Grows Staff Working Group.

AMO's <u>COVID-19 Resources</u> page is being updated continually so you can find critical information in one place. Please send any of your municipally related pandemic questions to <u>covid19@amo.on.ca</u>.

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December 22, 2021

VIA EMAIL

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

Dear Honourable Doug Ford,

#### Re: Motion Against Quebec's Bill 21

At its Regular Meeting of Council held on December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council approved the following resolution regarding the Province of Quebec's Bill 21.

Resolution 2021-424 Scott/Sandhu

WHEREAS Quebec's Bill 21 unfairly discriminates against public-sector workers by directly infringing on their freedom of religion and freedom of expression rights as enshrined into law by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms;

WHEREAS Bradford West Gwillimbury is a growing community that is proud of its diversity and diligently working to tear down barriers, advance anti-racism work and foster an inclusive community;

WHEREAS municipalities across Ontario are passing motions condemning Bill 21;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Legislature unanimously passed a motion in 2019 stating: "Ontario and its government shall oppose any law that would seek to restrict or limit the religious freedoms of our citizens; and, that Ontario's Legislature affirms that we value our diversity and assert that we shall promote and protect free expression and the rights of religious minorities, consistent with the Charter of Rights and Freedoms";

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council declares its opposition to Bill 21 and supports efforts to see this discriminatory law overturned; and



THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Francois Legault, Premier of Quebec, the Honourable Caroline Mulroney, MPP York-Simcoe, Scot Davidson, MP York-Simcoe, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all other municipalities in Ontario. CARRIED.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Regards,

Tara Reynolds

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CC: Hon. Francois Legault, Premier of Quebec

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#### Dear Head of Council:

The supply of housing in Ontario has not kept up with demand over the past decade and everyone has a role to play in fixing Ontario's housing crisis. More than ever, we need municipalities, non-profits and private industry to work with us to encourage the building of different kinds of housing – so that Ontario families have more affordable options.

To help support this important priority, I am pleased to provide you with an update on recent changes our government has made to help streamline and simplify Ontario's planning system.

#### Bill 13, the Supporting People and Businesses Act, 2021

Schedule 19 of Bill 13, the *Supporting People and Businesses Act, 2021* came into force December 2, 2021 upon royal assent.

Changes have been made to help streamline the planning system and, in some cases, help shorten approval timelines by providing municipal councils broader authority to allow more planning decisions to be made by committees of council or staff. Municipalities can now, subject to having appropriate official plan policies, delegate decisions dealing with minor amendments to zoning by-laws, such as temporary use by-laws and the lifting of holding symbols, should they choose to.

You can find more information about these changes on the Environmental Registry of Ontario (019-4419) and the Regulatory Registry (21-MMAH025) and some frequently asked questions are provided below.

At this time, I encourage you to review and update your existing delegation policies and consider exercising this new authority to help streamline your decision-making processes, and free up council's valuable time to focus on other more strategic matters.

#### Bill 276, the Supporting Recovery and Competitiveness Act, 2021

As you know, we also recently made *Planning Act* changes related to control of the division of land, including subdivision control, plans of subdivision, consents and validations through Bill 276, the *Supporting Recovery and Competitiveness Act, 2021*, which received Royal Assent on June 3, 2021. I am writing to confirm that Schedule 24 of Bill 276 and associated regulations came into force on January 1, 2022.

We are proud to make these changes, which will help save time and money for those involved in the land division approval process, including municipalities, landowners, purchasers and some lease holders. Our changes will continue to protect Ontarians when they buy and sell property, while making the rules of subdivision control clearer and simpler.



Your municipality may wish to consider whether adjustments to your land division application and review processes to align with the changes would be beneficial.

More information about these changes and the feedback we received during our consultation can be found on the Environmental Registry of Ontario (019-3495 and 019-3958) and Regulatory Registry (Proposal 21-MMAH008 and Proposal 21-MMAH015). Some frequently asked questions are provided below. Any further questions about the changes to the *Planning Act* and related regulations can be directed to ProvincialPlanning@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

Steve Clark Minister

c: Chief Administrative Officer

#### **FAQs**

# Schedule 19 (Planning Act) to Bill 13, the Supporting People and Businesses Act, 2021

#### What changes have been made to the Planning Act?

- Changes to the Planning Act, Municipal Act, 2001 and City of Toronto Act, 2006 provide municipalities with discretionary authority to delegate additional decisions to committees of council or municipal staff for minor amendments to zoning bylaws like:
  - Temporary use by-laws
  - Lifting of holding provisions
- Before matters may be delegated, official plan policies will need to be developed to establish the type of minor zoning by-law amendments that may be delegated, such as authorization of temporary uses, the lifting of a holding symbol, and other minor zoning by-law amendments.

#### What types of "minor" amendments to a zoning by-law may be delegated?

- If a municipality would like to use this authority, official plan policies will need to be established to scope and define the types of "minor" zoning amendments that may be delegated. This could include matters like temporary use by-laws and bylaws lifting holding provisions.
- This approach is intended to allow for a locally tailored approach that reflects input from the public.

#### What types of conditions could council apply when delegating its authority?

• Council will have the ability to apply conditions on the delegation of its decision(s). These conditions would be determined locally when the official plan policies and implementing by-law for the delegation are being developed.

# Will this new delegation authority alter the public meeting or appeal rights of the matters delegated?

 The delegation of additional planning matters would not alter any notice or public meeting requirements or limit appeal rights.

#### What other planning decisions can be delegated?

- Under the Planning Act, municipal council can delegate the following decisions to a committee of council, staff, or, in some cases, a committee of adjustment:
  - o Community planning permit system permits
  - Approval of adopted lower-tier official plan amendments
  - o Plans of subdivision and condominiums
  - o Consents
  - Site plan
  - Validations
- Other planning matters, such as administrative functions related to by-laws, may be delegated by council based on the delegation provisions in the Municipal Act, 2001 (or City of Toronto Act, 2006).



# Schedule 24 (Planning Act) to Bill 276, the Supporting Recovery and Competitiveness Act, 2021

#### What changes will be made to the Planning Act?

- The changes include technical, administrative and policy changes to provisions in sections 50, 51, 53, 54, 55 and 57 of the Planning Act related to control of the division of land, as well as other housekeeping or consequential changes.
- Upon proclamation, the changes will:
  - provide new exceptions to subdivision control and part lot control (i.e., exceptions from the need for land division approval) – for example, by preventing parcels from merging with other lands in certain circumstances
  - change the plan of subdivision process for example, by aligning the requirements for public notice, information, and public meetings with other instruments under the Act
  - change the consent application process for example, by requiring a municipality or the Minister, where requested, to issue a certificate for the retained land in addition to providing a certificate for the lands that are subject to the consent application, and
  - make other changes regarding subdivision control and its related processes – for example, by requiring that a decision on a validation conform with the same criteria which are applicable to consents.

#### What changes will be made with respect to "lot mergers"?

- Changes will be made to the subdivision control provisions to prevent lots from
  merging where lands were previously owned by, or abutted land previously
  owned by, joint tenants and where the ownership would have otherwise merged
  as a result of the death of one of the joint tenants.
- Outside of a "death of a joint tenant" scenario, lot mergers will continue to occur.

#### What changes will be made to the consent application process?

- Changes will be made to the consent application process to, for example:
  - o permit a purchaser of land or the purchaser's agent to apply for a consent
  - o establish a new certificate of cancellation
  - provide for certificates to be issued in respect of retained land in addition to the lands that are subject to the consent application
  - provide for a standard two-year period during which the conditions of a consent must be satisfied, and
  - permit a consent application to be amended by an applicant prior to a decision about the consent being made by the consent-granting authority.
- Municipalities may need to modify or update certain administrative processes as a result of some of these changes.

#### What is a certificate for retained land?

- Changes to the Planning Act will provide for a consent-granting authority to issue a certificate for the retained land (the other part of the parcel approved through the land division process) resulting from certain consents.
- This certificate will show that the retained land has "consent" status.
- An applicant will need to specify in their application whether they are requesting a retained land certificate, and if so, require that a statement from a solicitor

confirming the extend of the owner's retained land be included as part of that application.

#### What is a certificate of cancellation?

- In some situations, the original consent granted for a parcel of land may no longer be wanted or needed. This could occur, for example, where a parcel created by consent may need to be widened to accommodate a driveway. In these cases, the original consent may need to be cancelled to ensure the revised parcel will function as a single unit.
- Changes to the Planning Act will allow owners to apply to the consent-granting authority for a certificate of cancellation for a parcel that was previously severed with a consent. The consent-granting authority may also require the owner to apply as a condition of approval.
- Once a certificate of cancellation is issued, the parcel would be treated as though the previous consent had not been given. This could mean that the parcel would merge with neighbouring lands that are owned by the same person.

#### What considerations need to be applied to validation requests?

- A validation can be used in place of obtaining a consent to the contravening transaction (transfer or other transaction that was made in breach of the Planning Act requirements) in certain situations; for example, where the landowners at the time of the contravention are not available to sign the new transfer documents.
- The validation allows the validation authority to consider each situation on its merits and decide whether a request to validate title should be supported. The validation authority may, as a condition to issuing the validation, impose conditions as it considers appropriate.
- Bill 276 will make changes to require that a decision regarding a validation must conform with the same criteria which are applicable to consents, for example:
  - having regard to provincial interests and the land division criteria set out in the Planning Act
  - o ensuring the validation is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and conforms, or does not conflict, with provincial plans, and
  - o ensuring the validation conforms with all applicable official plans.



From: Ontario News < newsroom@ontario.ca>

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Subject: Ontario Providing Supports for Small Businesses, Workers and Families



#### **NEWS RELEASE**

#### Ontario Providing Supports for Small Businesses, Workers and Families

Province's plan includes \$10,000 grant for eligible small businesses and additional electricity-rate relief

January 07, 2022 Ministry of Finance

TORONTO — The Ontario government is providing targeted relief for businesses and people impacted by the current public health measures aimed at blunting the spread of the Omicron variant. As part of this plan, the government is introducing a \$10,000 grant for eligible businesses that are subject to closures under the modified <a href="Step Two of the Roadmap to Reopen">Step Two of the Roadmap to Reopen</a> and is providing additional electricity-rate relief for businesses, as well as workers and families spending more time at home.

"Our government understands that public health measures needed to blunt the spread of the Omicron variant are impacting the lives and livelihoods of small businesses, workers and families across Ontario," said Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance. "Since the first day of the pandemic, we have provided unprecedented levels of support to protect people, jobs and our economy. We will continue to deliver on that commitment."

As part of a comprehensive plan to support workers and businesses, the government is announcing an Ontario COVID-19 Small Business Relief Grant for small businesses that are subject to closure under the modified Step Two of the Roadmap to Reopen. It will provide eligible small businesses with a grant payment of \$10,000.

Eligible small businesses include:

- Restaurants and bars:
- Facilities for indoor sports and recreational fitness activities (including fitness centres and gyms);
- · Performing arts and cinemas;





- Museums, galleries, aquariums, zoos, science centres, landmarks, historic sites, botanical gardens and similar attractions;
- Meeting or event spaces;
- Tour and guide services;
- · Conference centres and convention centres;
- Driving instruction for individuals; and
- Before- and after- school programs.

Eligible businesses that qualified for the Ontario Small Business Support Grant and that are subject to closure under modified Step Two of the Roadmap to Reopen will be pre-screened to verify eligibility and will not need to apply to the new program. Newly established and newly eligible small businesses will need to apply once the application portal opens in the coming weeks. Small businesses that qualify can expect to receive their payment in February.

"Small businesses, job creators and the entrepreneurial spirit are the backbone of Ontario's economy. Unfortunately, these businesses have been some of the most impacted by COVID-19, and many continue to struggle," said Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade. "Since the start of the pandemic, we have provided unprecedented supports for businesses in every region of the province. With the new Ontario COVID-19 Small Business Relief Grant, our government will provide relief for thousands of small businesses that create jobs for hard working Ontarians."

The Ontario government is also providing electricity-rate relief to support small businesses, as well as workers and families spending more time at home while the province is in Modified Step Two. For 21 days starting at 12:01 am on Tuesday, January 18, 2022, electricity prices will be set 24 hours a day at the current off-peak rate of 8.2 cents per kilowatt-hour, which is less than half the cost of the current on-peak rate. The off-peak rate will apply automatically to residential, small businesses and farms who pay regulated rates set by the Ontario Energy Board and get a bill from a utility and will benefit customers on both Time-of-Use and Tiered rate plans.

"We know that spending more time at home means using more electricity during the day when prices are higher, that's why we are moving to off-peak electricity rates 24 hours per day, seven days a week," said Todd Smith, Minister of Energy. "The off-peak rate will provide immediate savings for families, small businesses and farms as all Ontarians work together to slow the spread of the Omicron variant."

Further, online applications for the previously-announced <u>Ontario Business Costs</u> <u>Rebate Program</u> will open on January 18. This program will provide eligible businesses that are required to close or reduce capacity with rebate payments for





up to 100 per cent of the property tax and energy costs they incur while subject to public health measures in response to the Omicron variant.

Eligible businesses required to close for indoor activities, such as restaurants and gyms, will receive a rebate payment equivalent to 100 per cent of their costs. Those required to reduce capacity to 50 per cent, such as smaller retail stores, will receive a rebate payment equivalent to 50 per cent of their costs. A complete list of eligible businesses will be provided prior to the launch of the application portal.

"Small businesses are at the heart of every community across our province and make a tremendous contribution to Ontario's economy," said Nina Tangri, Associate Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction. "Our government knows how important it is to support small business owners during such a difficult time. That's why throughout the pandemic, our government has supported small businesses and continues to do so through the new Ontario COVID-19 Small Business Relief Grant."

The government is also improving cash flows for Ontario businesses by providing up to \$7.5 billion through a six-month interest- and penalty-free period starting January 1, 2022 for Ontario businesses to make payments for most provincially administered taxes. This supports businesses now and provides the flexibility they will need for long-term planning. Building on Ontario's efforts to improve cash flows for businesses, the province continues to call on the federal government to match provincial tax deferral efforts by allowing small businesses impacted by public health restrictions to defer their HST remittances for a period of six months.

"Ontario's heritage, sport, tourism and culture industries have been hit first, hardest, and are expected to take the longest to recover from the pandemic," said Lisa MacLeod, Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries. "These new supports are critical to protect sectors that contribute more than \$76 billion and hundreds of thousands of jobs in communities across the province."

These measures will build on Ontario's support for businesses and workers, including:

- <u>Cutting wholesale alcohol prices</u> to provide approximately \$60 million in annual support to restaurants, bars and other businesses, as well as making it easier for businesses to create and extend patios and permanently allowing licenced restaurants and bars to include alcohol with food as part of a takeout or delivery order.
- Extending COVID-19 paid sick days until July 31, 2022 to keep workers safe and ensure they do not lose pay if they need to miss work for reasons related to COVID-19.





- Enabling an estimated \$10.1 billion in cost savings and support to Ontario businesses in 2021, with more than 60 per cent, or \$6.3 billion, going to small businesses, including:
  - Supporting a reduction in Workplace Safety and Insurance Board premiums.
  - Allowing businesses to accelerate write-offs of capital investments for tax purposes.
  - Reducing the small business Corporate Income Tax rate to 3.2 per cent.
  - Providing the Digital Main Street program, which helped more than 20,000 businesses across the province to increase their digital presence in 2020-21.
  - Introducing and temporarily enhancing the Regional Opportunities Investment Tax Credit to encourage investments in certain regions of Ontario that have lagged in employment growth in the past.
  - Providing targeted COVID-19 support through the Ontario Tourism and Travel Small Business Support Grant.
  - Lowering high Business Education Tax rates for job creators.
  - Increasing the Employer Health Tax exemption from \$490,000 to \$1 million.
  - Lowering electricity bills through measures such as the Comprehensive Electricity Plan, with the Province paying for a portion of high-priced, non-hydro renewable energy contracts.
  - Providing targeted COVID-19 support through the Ontario Small Business Support Grant, which delivered \$3 billion in urgent and unprecedented support to over 110,000 small businesses across the province.

#### **Quick Facts**

- The government has temporarily moved the province back into <u>Step Two of its Roadmap to Reopen</u>, with modifications that take into account the province's successful vaccination efforts. These time-limited measures will help blunt transmission and prevent hospitals from becoming overwhelmed as the province continues to accelerate its booster dose rollout. They will be in place at least until January 26, 2022, subject to trends in public health and health system indicators.
- Launched in January 2021, the Ontario Small Business Support Grant provided direct financial support to eligible small businesses that were required to close or significantly restrict services under the Provincewide Shutdown that came into effect in December 2020.
- Businesses subject to 50 per cent capacity restrictions are not eligible for the new Ontario COVID-19 Small Business Relief Grant.





The Ontario Business Costs Rebate Program provides eligible businesses
that are required to close or reduce capacity with rebate payments for a
portion of the property tax and energy costs they incur while subject to
public health measures in response to the Omicron variant.

#### Additional Resources

- COVID-19 public health measures and advice
- Ontario Further Strengthening Response to Omicron
- All Ontarians 18+ Eligible for COVID-19 Booster Appointments at Three-Month Interval
- COVID-19: Help for businesses in Ontario
- Ontario.ca/COVIDsupport
- Business who have questions about public health and workplace safety measures can call the Stop the Spread Business Information Line at 1-888-444-3659.
- For public inquiries call ServiceOntario, INFOline at 1-866-532-3161 (Tollfree in Ontario only)

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Subject: Ontario Continues to Support Families and Businesses during COVID-19 Pandemic



#### STATEMENT

## Ontario Continues to Support Families and Businesses during COVID-19 Pandemic

Government focused on helping the people of Ontario weather the storm of Omicron while supporting workers and good-paying jobs

#### **January 07, 2022**

Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade

TORONTO – Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, issued the following statement following today's monthly employment release by Statistics Canada:

"Employment in Ontario increased by 46,900 in December, almost all of which are full-time jobs. Although today's numbers are good news, they are tempered by the reality of a new COVID-19 variant. Our priority remains to protect the health of Ontarians and our economy and we are taking action to protect both.

Our ambitious rollout of vaccines and booster shots has been working to keep families, communities, and workplaces as safe as possible. As of January 6, more than 4.4 million booster doses have been administered across the province.

As we continue to accelerate our provincial vaccine booster efforts, we are taking further action to slow the spread of the highly contagious Omicron variant to protect families and businesses and the progress we have made. In response to recent trends that show an alarming increase in COVID-19 hospitalizations, the Ontario government, in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health, has temporarily moved the province into <a href="Step Two of its Roadmap to Reopen with modifications">Step Two of its Roadmap to Reopen with modifications</a> that take into account the province's successful vaccination efforts.

Our government continues to take an all-hands-on-deck approach and work directly with the business community to protect against increased spread of the virus. To increase the province's booster vaccination capacity, business groups and large corporations are stepping up, once again, to offer <a href="mailto:employer-led vaccine-clinics">employer-led vaccine-clinics</a>. We're calling on Ontario businesses to learn more about the criteria for





setting up an employer-led vaccine clinic to help protect our families and communities during this next wave.

For businesses that are most impacted by necessary public health measures or capacity limits due to Omicron, our government has introduced new financial supports to help them weather the storm.

Earlier this morning, as part of a comprehensive plan to support workers and businesses, our government announced an Ontario COVID-19 Small Business Relief Grant for small businesses that are subject to closure under the modified Step Two of the Roadmap to Reopen. It will provide eligible small businesses with a grant payment of \$10,000.

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Those required to reduce capacity to 50 per cent, such as smaller retail stores, will receive a rebate payment equivalent to 50 per cent of their costs. A complete list of eligible businesses will be provided prior to the launch of the application portal.

These new programs build on previous business support programs, including the Ontario Small Business Support Grant, the Property Tax and Energy Cost Rebates, and the Ontario Tourism and Travel Small Business Support Grant.

We're also introducing a six-month interest- and penalty-free period to make payments for most provincially administered taxes, <u>cutting wholesale alcohol prices</u> to provide approximately \$60 million in annual support to restaurants, bars and other businesses, and <u>extending COVID-19 paid sick days</u> until July 31, 2022 to keep workers safe and ensure they do not lose pay if they need to miss work for reasons related to COVID-19.

Small businesses are the backbone of our economy. Ontario has provided an estimated \$10.1 billion in support to Ontario businesses in 2021, with more than 60 per cent, or \$6.3 billion, going to small businesses."

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# NOTICE OF PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE # 2 2021 Transportation Master Plan Update



#### Overview

The Town of Innisfil has initiated a 2021 Transportation Master Plan (TMP) to update the TMP completed in 2018. The study will assess the needs and opportunities of the transportation system and set a long-term transportation vision and strategy for the Town to address mobility needs to 2041 and beyond. The TMP Update will be guided by other policy documents from the Province and the Town such as 2020 – 2030 Innovative Innisfil. The study will explore how the transportation system can help achieve the Town's broader objectives for sustainability, climate change, innovation, economic growth and fiscal responsibility.

#### **Process**

The Transportation Master Plan will be carried out in accordance with the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) process (Municipal Engineers Association, October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011, 2015), which is an approved process under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. A Public Information Centre is being held to inform the public about the steps involved in this work and to gather feedback on the alternative solutions being considered.

#### Your Feedback is Important to Us!

#### **Details:**

Public, review agency, and indigenous communities' consultation is a key element of the Class Environmental Assessment process and input will be sought from various parties throughout the study. The first Public Open House (POH) for this Study was held online from August 25, 2021. The public is now invited to attend and provide input at the second POH that will present the preferred transportation solutions and strategies for the Town of Innisfil. You are invited to attend this POH on **Thursday, January 27, 2022** and provide your input.

Due to continuing efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 and to protect individuals, the public open house will be held virtually.

Date

Thursday, January 27, 2022

Time

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

#### Format:

The Public Information Centre will provide a brief presentation followed by a question-and-answer session. All interested parties are invited to attend the public meeting and provide their input to the study team. A public survey will be launched following the Public Information Centre.

The meeting details can be found on the study webpage: <u>GetInvolvedinnisfil.ca/tmplan</u>. The Zoom meeting details can also be found below.

https://zoom.us/j/97100660201?pwd=d3FvcGhDMHNsa3AxTINZZkJTd0NJZz09

Meeting ID: 971 0066 0201

Passcode: 391292

#### More Information:

If you are unable to attend the meeting, all consultation materials will be uploaded onto the study webpage. Should you wish to submit additional questions or comments to the study team, please contact one of the study project managers:

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#### **MEDIA RELEASE**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### NVCA's education programs help children protect their future

UTOPIA, Ontario (December 13, 2021) – Hosted at the Tiffin Centre for Conservation, the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA) provides nature programming for children ages 2.5 - 12.

In these programs, children develop a sense of wonder, appreciation and respect for the natural world. They will learn that a healthy environment helps plants and animals thrive, how humans are connected with nature and rely on the environment to survive.

"Children who come to Tiffin are encouraged to activate their knowledge base to make their own observations about nature. As nature changes everyday, there is always something new to notice, and reflect upon," said Naomi Saunders, Manager of Education at NVCA. "At NVCA, we believe that the more time children spend in nature, the more beneficial it is for our environment and subsequently for all human health."

Through regular and repeated exposure, children will learn about how things in nature work. Tiffin's Outdoor Educators ask children questions to highlight what they already know, for example how plants and animals interact with each other, or what qualifies as important habitat.

"As we have an increasingly technological and media driven world, sometimes it's hard to pull children away from screens," continued Saunders. "In our programs, children become comfortable with nature without their devices. Often times, they bring their curiosity home and discover nature, even in their own backyards."

Registration is now open for many Tiffin Education programs, including the new Tiffin Nature Program, Winter Camp Tiffin, PA Day Camps. For more information or to register, please visit <a href="NVCA's website">NVCA's website</a>.

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**About NVCA:** The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority is a public agency dedicated to the preservation of a healthy environment through specialized programs to protect, conserve and enhance our water, wetlands, forests and lands.

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### **NVCA December 2021 Board Meeting Highlights**

Next Meeting: NVCA Annual General Meeting held virtually on January 28, 2022.

For the full meeting agenda including documents and reports, visit NVCA's website.

#### **NVCA 2022 Budget Approved**

The Board of Directors unanimously approved NVCA's 2022 budget at \$5,095,130.30 compared to the 2021 approved budget of \$4,949,422. This includes a \$89,768.15 increase to the municipal levy (shared among all 18 member municipalities), with the remainder coming from grants, fees for services, and other sources. Funds from municipal levy represent 50% of NVCA's revenues.

# Over 97% permits and clearances approved within prescribed timelines

Between June 9, 2021 to November 23, 2021, 382 permits and clearances were approved. In the majority of instances (97.8%) NVCA staff met the prescribed timelines as outlined in the MNRF guideline document.

NVCA's permit application service timelines are governed by the Conservation Authority Liaison Committee (CALC), which requires NVCA to complete a policy review within 21 days, and complete a technical review within 30 days for minor applications and 90 days for major applications.

Applicants are encouraged to pre-consult with NVCA staff prior to submission of an application to determine complete permit application requirements for projects.

#### Housekeeping Changes to Fees for Planning and Permit Applications

In 2016, the NVCA Board of Directors approved the current <u>Policy to Charge Fees for Services</u> <u>Related to Planning and Permit Applications</u> and associated review fees.

In October 2021, staff performed housekeeping updates to the 2016 fees by seeking input from key stakeholders, including watershed municipalities the development sector (BILD).

Going forward, NVCA staff will review the fees annually and may as minimum recommend cost of living adjustments at future Board of Director's meetings.

# Increase to NVCA's event booking fees

As per NVCA board direction, staff deliver recreational opportunities and event bookings to watershed residents and visitors through a fee-for-service basis.

The revenues that are generated through these programs are used to reduce the overall levy funds required by member municipalities to support conservation lands and infrastructure and are applied to general ownership costs, such as maintenance, health/safety, and infrastructure development.

The NVCA Board of Directors approved a fee increase to event booking fees.

#### Afternoon booking

Current	New
\$550	\$1,000

#### Celebration of Life (standard)

Current	New
\$1,125	2,250

#### Celebration of Life (speciality)

Current	New
\$1,125	\$6,000



**Evening party** 

Current	New
\$2,250	\$2,250

Wedding

Current	New
\$4,620	\$6,000



# Essa Public Library Report: October 2021

### **IMAGINE DISCOVER CONNECT**

### **Outcomes**



"Just a quick shout out to the Essa
Library for putting on a very nice event
today! The weather held off and our
daughter thoroughly enjoyed
herself...the walk around story, the
crafts, the Essa Fire Department,
storytime & she especially loved
that her favourite character was sitting
on the bench!!!"



Manager, Scott Bialo, Cookstown & Thornton's Tim Hortons presents \$4,793.50 from the Smile Cookie Campaign, to Essa Public Library's CEO, Laura Wark & Board Chair, Derek McKeever. This money will be put toward Thornton Branch rejuvenation projects. What a difference this will make in our community.

On social media, the Barrie Native Friendship Centre extended their thanks to the community and Essa Public Library..."food donations for Hunger 2 Hope has been absolutely amazing."

A patron moving out of the area, stopped by to say, "I do want to express my gratitude to all the staff for the helpful and friendly service you gave me over the years. It was a pleasure to visit and I always left feeling satisfied and happy. Such good customer service!"

A Thornton patron was excited about the Seed Library saying, "Great idea - I am all in favour of it."

A toddler entered the Angus Branch Kids Room with her mom and baby sibling. She extended her arms and cried, "WOW!"

A visitor from Kitchener drives to Angus Branch because she finds the space inspiring and she is extremely impressed with the staff who assist with her reference work.

Email from a patron...
"I have moved away and will not be able to use the library. I enjoyed the books & movie nights & thank all employees for a great experience."

Publishers' donations of board books were given to the Angus Medical Centre for children to read in the waiting area, eliciting this response..."I can not thank you enough for the generosity. I am thanking all the employees of the Angus Library, on behalf of the kids to make their dreams of learning come true."

### **Programming Events & Attendance**

### **Adults**

Zoom Cercel de

Conversation Virtuel: 20

Bookclub - Angus: 2

Bookclub - Thornton: 7

Cookbook Club: 5

Tech Learning - Angus (in person/phone/email): 16

Tech Learning - Thornton (in person/phone/email): 0

Outreach - Angus Geocache

location: 2

Outreach - Thornton Geocache location: 0

Exams: offered

Artists' Display: 1

Simcoe Reads Final Debate: EPL's Champion, Grace Baker wins for *Gutter Child* by Jael Richardson

Virtual program - Simcoe Author Talk Series: 15

Young Adults - Unleash Your Future: Grant

Book reviews: 7

Pen Pal Program letters: 3

Virtual program - Journaling

for Teens: 21

### Social Media

Facebook: 22 posts Reactions: 159 Followers: 1,238

Twitter: 22 tweets Reactions: 99 Followers: 1,030

Instagram: 11 posts Reactions: 378 Followers: 439

Youtube Views: 6,206

Reactions: 20 Subscribers: 342 Kids' Videos: 1

Miscellaneous Videos:1

### **Community Partners**

Food Drive for Barrie Native Friendship Centre Food Bank...collected until Oct. 8

### More

Library Zest blog posts, videos & email campaigns:3

Library Zest blog traffic: 43
Library Zest unique visitors:

28

Makerspace: 6

Ontario Public Library Week celebrated Oct. 17-23

### Kids

#### **Beanstack**

1,000 Books before

Kindergarten
Active readers: 5
Books read: 46
Badges earned: 6

Beanstack's 2021 Reading

Challenge

Active readers: 12 Books read: 177 Badges earned: 43

Beanstack challenges

offered: 46

#### **Outside activities**

Storytime - Angus: 38

Storytime - Thornton: 32

Baby Group - Angus: 30

Teeny Halloweeny - Angus:

151

L'Heure du conte - Angus: 9

#### Virtual

Growing together: 18

Dyslexia Awareness & Support Workshop: 9



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# **Circulation Totals & Analysis**

CIRCULATION	Oct. 2020	Oct. 2021	YTD 2021
Angus Branch	7,093	7,210	48,956
Thornton Branch	1,593	1,408	14,051
Angus Branch Computer Use	263	163	627
Thornton Branch Computer Use	31	5	101
Angus Branch Wireless Use  June-September* + October	1,455	109* + 20	2,232
Thornton Branch Wireless Use June-September* + October	209	104* + 20	957
eAudio & eBooks	789	830	10,103
TOTALS:	11,433	9,869	77,027

Circulation Analysis	Oct. 2020	Oct. 2021	YTD 2021
Print	5,239	5,590	41,309
Non-Print	3,389	2,952	20,897
Computer Use/Internet/Wireless	1,958	421	3,917
eAudio Books	219	213	2,135
eBooks	570	617	7,968
Interlibrary Loan: Borrowed	31	45	524
Interlibrary Loan: Lent	27	31	277

Materials Used In-Library	Oct. 2021	YTD 2021
Angus Branch	255	1,089
Thornton Branch	<b>39</b> 50	156



### **Online Resources & New Members**

Library website visits	YTD 2021
3,299	36,963

Digital Library visits	YTD 2021
2,144	28,431

BlueCloud Mobile visits	YTD 2021
85	1,606

New Members		YTD 2021
Angus Branch	96	612
Thornton Branch	4	35

### **Library Highlights**



Teeny Halloweeny featured a story walk, crafts, photos, Storytime & a special visit from the Essa Fire Department. FUN!









In the Simcoe Reads 2021 Final Debate, Grace Baker championed the book, Gutter Child by Jael Richardson, for EPL...and she won!



EPL hosted author, Sonya Lalli as part of the Simcoe Author Talk series.

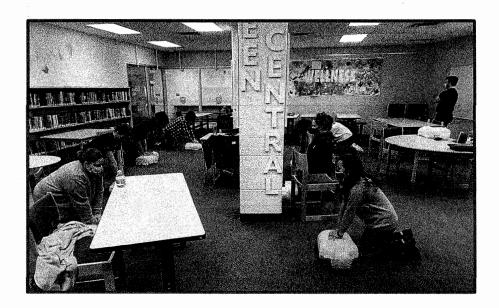






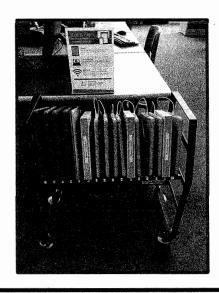
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## Outcomes



**Unleash Your Future - First Aid Training** 

Tech-To-Go: IPads & Chromebooks patrons can borrow



Email from a new patron, after learning about being able to request her books via Interlibrary Loan, "Very excited for these ones!!"

The Cookbook Club members discussed using a shared recipes Google Doc. One member said she finds it very easy to use and a great way to share with the group.

"Ah, I remember this place!" exclaimed a youngster upon entering the library.

"You are the coolest library around." said a patron after learning she could check out a panini maker.

The Unleash Your Future
Journaling workshops were
enjoyed by the participants. The
seven young people, in four
weeks, developed sharing &
problem-solving skills and
supported each other...
"Thank you for organizing this
workshop. It is great so far.
I'm really enjoying it."

"Nice to be back in the library.
It's been so long since
I was here."

One of the cashiers at
Tim Hortons Angus
noticed a Library staff
member by their name tag
and said, "You work at the
library? I go there
all the time!"

"I love looking at the EPL website. You always have fun and interesting events and activities. I participated in a paint night a few years ago and have been looking at the site ever since."



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### **Programming Events & Attendance**

### Adults

Zoom Cercel de Conversation

Virtuel: offered

Bookclub - Angus: 6

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location: 2

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Exams: 1

Artists' Display: 4

Simcoe Reads Author Visit, Jael Richardson

(Gutter Child): 20

NaNoWriMo Virtual Write Ins:

NaNoWritMo Virtual Author Visit, Tracy L. Ward: 11

### Social Media

Facebook: 15 posts Reactions: 173 Followers: 1.240

Twitter: 24 tweets Reactions: 190 Followers: 1.032

Instagram: 3 posts Reactions: 49 Followers: 442

Youtube Views: 4,670

Reactions: 35 Subscribers: 352 Kids' Videos: 0

Miscellaneous Videos:2

### More

Library Zest blog posts, videos & email campaigns:1

Library Zest blog traffic: 35

Library Zest unique visitors:

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Makerspace: 10

### Kids

#### **Beanstack**

1.000 Books before

Kindergarten

Active readers: 3 Books read: 21 Badges earned: 5

Beanstack's 2021 Reading

Challenge

Active readers: 8 Books read: 52 Badges earned: 4

Beanstack challenges

offered: 46

**Outside activities** 

Storytime - Angus: 38

Storytime - Thornton: 32

Baby Group - Angus: 8

L'Heure du conte - Angus: 9

Virtual

Storytime: 14

Other

Winter Book Bundles: 2

Character Search: 30

Connect in the Kids' Room -

Angus: 17

Connect in the Kids' Room -

Thornton: 3

Book reviews: 73

Pen Pal Program letters: 13

Virtual programs:

Incredible You programs: 28

First Aid Online: 22 First Aid. Part 1: 10

Sarah Wells - Pursuit of Excellence: 120

Unicorn Labs: 3



# **Circulation Totals & Analysis**



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Angus Branch	5,545	7,014	55,970
Thornton Branch	1,437	1,443	15,494
Angus Branch Computer Use	191	149	776
Thornton Branch Computer Use	15	9	110
Angus Branch Wireless Use	1,226	n/a	2,232
Thornton Branch Wireless Use	219	n/a	957
eAudio & eBooks	796	880	10,983
TOTALS:	9,429	9,495	86,522

Circulation Analysis	Nov. 2020	Nov 2021	YTD 2021
Print	4,314	5,559	46,868
Non-Print	2,607	2,829	23,726
Computer Use/Internet/Wireless	1,651	158	4,075
eAudio Books	245	241	2,376
eBooks	551	639	8,607
Interlibrary Loan: Borrowed	44	46	570
Interlibrary Loan: Lent	17	23	300

Materials Used In-Library	Nov. 2021	YTD 2021
Angus Branch	229	1,318
Thornton Branch	4244	200



### **Online Resources & New Members**

Library website visits	YTD 2021
3,183	40,146

Digital Library visits	YTD 2021
1,760	30,191

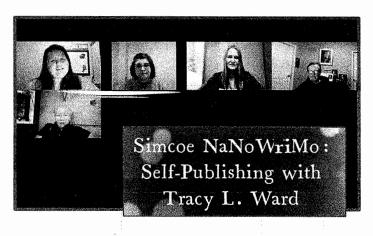
BlueCloud Mobile visits	YTD 2021
n/a	1,606

New Members	YTD 2021	
Angus Branch	74	686
Thornton Branch	8	43

### **Library Highlights**



NPSS Students get a tutorial on the Maker Station's vinyl printer.



Library Report by Angie Wishart ~ 2021



Jael Richardson, author of Gutter Child visited the Angus Branch for a lively chat about her book



November is National Novel
Writing Month.
(NaNoWriMo - Virtual presentation)

Comment from one of the participants...

"It's so nice to chat a bit with other writers
and cheer each other on!"

			Dec	-21			
Current							
Permits Issued	# Permits	# Permits	Monthly Construction Value of Permits Issued	Construction Value of Permits Issued YTD	Monthly Building Permit Fees	Building Permit Fees YTD	
Residential	8	320	\$1,552,050.00	\$31,266,882.00	\$6,096.00	\$283,895.45	
Commercial	3	23	\$81,000.00	\$205,040.00	\$828.84	\$19,520.60	
Industrial	1	2	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$1,320.00	\$1,370.00	
Institutional	1	4	\$0.00	\$40,060.00	\$120.00	\$910.00	
Public Utilities	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Agricultural	0	1	\$0,00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$373.07	
TOTAL	13	350	\$1,833,050.00	\$ 31,711,982.00	\$8,364.84	\$ 306,069.12	

		NEW SFD CO	NSTRUCTION	
		Dwelling U	nits Created	
	Current			Dwelling Const. Value
Туре	Month	YTD	Dwelling Const. Value	YTD
SFD/SEMI/ROW	2	58	\$780,000.00	\$20,150,260.00
Mult Res Bldgs	0	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Accessory Apt				
within Existing				
Res Bldg	0	0	\$ -	\$0.00
TOTAL	2	58	\$780,000.00	\$20,150,260.00
Y.O.Y	16	139	\$ 4,235,000.00	\$ 32,070,000.00
	-87.50%	-58.27%	-81.58%	-37.17%





# NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF DEVELOPMENT CHARGES BY-LAW 6930

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the County of Simcoe passed Development Charge By-law No. 6930 on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2021, under Section 2 of the Development Charges Act, 1997.

**AND TAKE NOTICE** that any person or organization may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal under Section 14 of the Act, in respect of the Development Charges By-laws, by filing with the Clerk of the County of Simcoe on or before Tuesday, January 4, 2022, a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the By-laws and the reasons supporting the objection. Appeals filed with the Office of the Clerk at 1110 Highway 26, Midhurst, Ontario L9X 1N6, will be accepted on or before Tuesday, January 4, 2022. A processing fee will be payable to the Minister of Finance with the appeal application. The appellant is advised to contact the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) to access required forms and applicable Provincial fees.

The charges in the aforementioned By-law will apply to all new residential and non-residential development, subject to certain terms, conditions and limited exemptions as identified therein.

County-wide development charges are levied against new development to pay for the increased capital costs related to the provision of such municipal services as Long Term Care & Seniors Services, Social Housing, Paramedic Services, Waste Management, Development Related Studies, Transit, and Services Related to a Highway (Public Works and Roads and Related). The table below sets out the development charge rates applicable throughout the County of Simcoe. Development charges are imposed on the development of all lands located within the geographic boundary of the County of Simcoe, excluding the geographic boundaries of the City of

	Resider	Non-Residential		
Service	Singles & Semis	Rows & Other Multiples	Apartments	Adjusted Charge per Square Metre
Library Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0.00
Long Term Care & Seniors Services	\$1,965	\$1,551	\$1,053	\$0,00
Social Housing	\$3,153	\$2,489	\$1,691	\$0.00
Paramedic Services	\$354	\$280	\$190	\$1.71
Waste Management	\$378	\$299	\$203	\$1.83
Development Related Studies	\$54	\$43	\$29	\$0.26
Transit	\$214	\$169	\$115	\$1.03
Services Related to a Highway				
Public Works	\$23	\$18	\$12	\$0.11
Roads And Related	\$8,303	\$6,555	\$4,452	\$42.55
TOTAL CHARGE PER UNIT	\$14,444	\$11,404	\$7,745	\$47.49

Barrie and the City of Orillia and therefore no map has been provided as part of this notice.

The development charges imposed under By-law 6930 will come into effect on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2022. Copies of the complete Development Charge By-law are available for examination during regular business hours (weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) in the Clerk's Office of the municipality located at 1110 Highway 26, Midhurst, Ontario L9X 1N6, and on the website at www.simcoe.ca.

For further information, please contact the Clerk's Office at 705-726-9300 ext. 1246 or clerks@simcoe.ca.

Dated at the Township of Springwater, 30 November, 2021

#### **COUNTY OF SIMCOE**

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