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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 1, 2021

A regular meeting of the Planning & Economic Development Committee was held on Tuesday, June 1, 2021 in the Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 9:30 AM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

1. Roll Call

Present: Councillor Ryan, Chair

Councillor Joe Neal, Vice-Chair

Councillor Grant
Councillor Highet
Councillor Kerr
Councillor Lee
Councillor Yamada
Regional Chair Henry

* all members of Committee participated electronically

Also

Present: Councillor Ashe attended for part of the meeting

Councillor Crawford attended for part of the meeting

Councillor Dies Councillor Smith Councillor Wotten

Staff

Present: E. Baxter-Trahair, Chief Administrative Officer

- B. Bridgeman, Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
- B. Anderson, Principal Planner
- C. Boyd. Solicitor. Corporate Services Legal Services
- H. Finlay, Senior Planner
- S. Gill, Director, Economic Development and Tourism
- C. Goodchild, Manager, Policy Planning & Special Studies
- R. Inacio, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services IT
- S. Jibb, Manager, Economic Development, Agriculture and Rural Affairs
- G. Muller, Director of Planning
- G. Pereira, Manager, Transportation Planning
- D. Perkins, Planner
- N. Prasad, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services Legislative Services
- L. Riviere-Doersam, Principal Planner
- K. Ryan, Senior Solicitor, Corporate Services Legal Services

- S. Salomone, Manager, Economic Development, Business Development and Investment
- J. Severs, Manager, Economic Development, Marketing and Cluster Development
- L. Trombino, Manager, Plan Implementation
- T. Fraser, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services Legislative Services

A moment of silence was observed in recognition of National Indigenous History Month and for the 215 children whose remains were found at a former residential school on the land of the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation in Kamloops, British Columbia.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Regional Chair Henry, Seconded by Councillor Lee, (36) That the minutes of the following meetings be adopted:

- Regular Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting held on May 4, 2021; and
- Special Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting held on May 7, 2021.

CARRIED

4. Statutory Public Meetings

4.1 Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by 1725596 Ontario Limited to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus to a farming operation as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels, in the Municipality of Clarington, File: OPA 2021-001 (2021-P-10)

The Chair advised that this portion of the Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting constitutes the Statutory Public Information meeting under the Planning Act for a proposed amendment to the Durham Regional Official Plan. He noted that the purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with information about the proposed amendment and to hear any submissions.

A) Presentation

Lori Riviere-Doersam, Principal Planner, Planning Division, provided a presentation outlining the details of Report #2021-P-10 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development. She advised that an application has been submitted by Clark Consulting Services, on behalf of 1725596 Ontario Limited, to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the

consolidation of non-abutting farms. The subject site is municipally known as 40 Station Street in the Municipality of Clarington and is located on the north side of Station Street, east of Highway 35/115. She provided an overview of the application and land use policy considerations. She also advised that to date there has been no objections from circulated agencies and no public submissions have been received related to the proposed amendment.

The Chair asked if there were any persons in attendance who wished to make a submission or ask any questions.

B) <u>Delegations</u>

1. Jacqueline Mann, Clark Consulting Services

Jacqueline Mann, participating electronically, appeared with respect to the application to amend the Durham Regional Official Plan submitted on behalf of 1725596 Ontario Limited. She advised that she is the applicants' agent and was present to answer any questions on Report #2021-P-10.

C) Report

Moved by Councillor Kerr, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

- (37) A) That Report #2021-P-10 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development be received for information; and
 - B) That all submissions received be referred to the Planning Division for consideration.

CARRIED

4.2 Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Johnston Litavski Ltd. for Sunrise International Investments Inc. to permit the redevelopment of Bunker Hill Golf Course (formerly Kinsale Golf Course), in the City of Pickering, File: OPA 2021-002 (2021-P-11)

The Chair advised that this portion of the Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting constitutes the Statutory Public Information meeting under the Planning Act for a proposed amendment to the Durham Regional Official Plan. He noted that the purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with information about the proposed amendment and to hear any submissions.

A) <u>Presentation</u>

Heather Finlay, Senior Planner, Planning Division, provided a presentation outlining the details of Report #2021-P-11 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development. She advised that an application has been submitted by Johnston Litavski Ltd., on behalf of Sunrise International Investments Inc., to redevelop the Bunker Hill Golf Course in the City of Pickering. She also advised

that the existing Bunker Hill golf course was approved by Regional Council in 2009 for a 12-hole golf course, with maintenance buildings and a club house with limited food service. She further advised that the proposed amendment seeks to redesignate the subject site from "Prime Agricultural Areas" to "Major Open Space Areas" to permit a 9-hole golf course, a clubhouse with banquet facility, a golf dome for an indoor driving range, a maintenance structure, putting green and associated golf cart routes, surface parking areas, stormwater management ponds and landscaped open space.

The subject site is municipally known as 3695 Sideline 4 in the City of Pickering and is located on the north side of Highway 7, east of Sideline 4. She provided an overview of the application and land use policy considerations. She advised that the application has been circulated to various agencies and that the Health Department has flagged that the approvals for private water systems will likely require approval by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks and the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee has voted to not support the application. She further advised to date one phone call and two emails have been received from residents owning the property to the east of the proposed development.

H. Finlay responded to questions with respect to the comments received from neighbouring residents, and the concerns of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee.

The Chair asked if there were any persons in attendance who wished to make a submission or ask any questions.

B) <u>Delegations</u>

1. Adrian Litavski, Brandon Stevens, Jun Li and Mengdi Zhen, on behalf of Sunrise International Investments Inc.

Brandon Stevens, participating electronically, appeared with respect to the application to amend the Durham Regional Official Plan submitted on behalf of Sunrise International Investments Inc. He provided a presentation on the revitalization of the Bunker Hill Golf Course, including an overview of the project and renderings. He advised that a golf course, clubhouse and golf simulator are already approved for the site. He also advised that the proposal is to revitalize and improve the existing golf course by building a larger clubhouse and golf dome. He stated that these changes will facilitate year-round recreation opportunities and provide increased and diversified employment opportunities for the community. He briefly reviewed the clubhouse rendering and site plans.

C) <u>Correspondence</u>

1. Stefan Woloszczuk

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2. Barbara Woloszczuk

D) Report

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Councillor Kerr,

- (38) A) That Report #2021-P-11 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development be received for information; and
 - B) That all submissions received be referred to the Planning Division for consideration.

CARRIED

4.3 Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Kyle Petrovich on behalf of Grainboys Holdings Inc. to permit the development of a dry grain processing facility in the Township of Uxbridge, File: OPA 2021-004 (2021-P-15)

The Chair advised that this portion of the Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting constitutes the Statutory Public Information meeting under the Planning Act for a proposed amendment to the Durham Regional Official Plan. He noted that the purpose of the public meeting is to provide the public with information about the proposed amendment and to hear any submissions.

A) <u>Presentation</u>

David Perkins, Planner, Planning Division, provided a presentation outlining the details of Report #2021-P-15 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development. He advised that an application has been submitted by Kyle Petrovich, on behalf of Grainboys Holdings Inc., to permit the development of a dry grain processing facility. The subject site is located on the east side of York Durham Line (Regional Road 30), south of Regional Highway 47, in the Township of Uxbridge. He provided an overview of the application and land use policy considerations. He also advised that to date there has been no objections from circulated agencies and one public submission has been received related to the application.

The Chair asked if there were any persons in attendance who wished to make a submission or ask any questions.

B) <u>Delegations</u>

1. Kyle Petrovich and Steve Edwards, on behalf of Grainboys Holdings Inc.

Kyle Petrovich and Steve Edwards, participating electronically, appeared with respect to the application to amend the Durham Regional Official Plan submitted on behalf of Grainboys Holdings Inc. K. Petrovich advised that

Grainboys Holdings and Port Royal Mills is a Canadian owned company focused on promotion of Ontario grain consumption and provides whole grains to the baking industry across Canada. He also advised that the proposed facility would provide an outlet for local and regional farmers to clean and mill various crops and will be a clean operation with no use of water or chemicals. He added that the proposed location is ideal as it is in a rural setting and next to a large scale grain processor.

S. Edwards advised in June 2020 the Township of Uxbridge adopted a zoning by-law amendment to permit the proposed uses and the by-law was appealed to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT). He referenced section 2.3 of Report #2021-P-15 and stated that the reason for the Regional Official Plan Amendment is to ensure conformity, as wording from the new Provincial Policy Statement is not currently in place as the Regional Official Plan is being updated. He added this is being done out of an abundance of caution because of the appeal of the zoning by-law.

C) <u>Correspondence</u>

1. William Pearce

D) Report

Moved by Councillor Highet, Seconded by Councillor Grant,

- (39) A) That Report #2021-P-15 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development be received for information; and
 - B) That all submissions received be referred to the Planning Division for consideration.

CARRIED

The Committee recessed at 10:03 AM and reconvened at 10:18 AM.

The Committee Clerk conducted a roll call following the recess and all members of Committee were present.

5. Delegations

5.1 Rob Alexander and Tracey Werry, Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association, re: Annual Update on Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association Activities and 2021 Workplan (2021-EDT-4)

Rob Alexander, participating electronically, appeared before the Committee with respect to the Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association 2020 Review and 2021 Workplan. He highlighted the various activities and initiatives of the Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association in 2020 and provided an overview of their 2021 workplan. He advised that many of their members saw a boost in sales and foot

traffic in the past year. He also advised that Durham Farm Fresh remains committed to supporting its members through the pandemic and is actively recruiting new members. He concluded by thanking staff in the Economic Development and Tourism Division, members of the Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association, and individuals for buying and supporting local this past year.

Chair Ryan thanked R. Alexander and the Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association for their contributions.

With the consensus of the Committee, the order of the agenda was altered to consider Report #2021-EDT-4 at this time.

8.2 Reports

A) Local Food in Durham Region: Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association 2021

Workplan and Ontario Local Food Week (2021-EDT-4)

Report #2021-EDT-4 from B. Bridgeman, Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development, was received.

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,
(40) That Report #2021-EDT-4 of the Commissioner of Planning and
Economic Development be received for information.

CARRIED

5. Delegations

5.2 Phil Pothen, Ontario Environment Program Manager, Environmental Defence, re: Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update (2021-P-16)

Phil Pothen, participating electronically, appeared before the Committee with respect to the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update. He advised that he is the Ontario Environment Program Manager with Environmental Defence and is a land use planning and environmental lawyer.

- P. Pothen stated that the only reasonable and ethical response to the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan and the analysis of the future watershed conditions and scenarios is for Durham to keep the existing settlement area boundaries of the Carruthers Creek Watershed in the current Regional Official Plan.
- P. Pothen also stated that the Watershed Plan makes it clear that the aquatic ecosystem is sensitive and already near the level of land use development it can sustain long-term, and if development is permitted beyond the existing approved settlement area boundaries in the headwaters of the Carruthers Creek, there will be an intolerable increase in suspended solids, an increase in regional storm flows and associated flood risks, all four subwatersheds will have fair to poor

aquatic conditions, and the endangered Redside dace will likely be extirpated from the Carruthers Creek Watershed. He further stated that Durham Region cannot simply extend its boundaries and trust that mitigation will prevent the potentially catastrophic outcomes associated with Scenario 3.

- P. Pothen further stated that Durham Region can accommodate projected population growth and demand for new workplaces and comply with the land needs assessment methodology for the Greater Golden Horseshoe without expanding its settlement area boundaries. He stated that Durham Region can meet projected demand for housing and workplaces within existing neighbourhoods by adjusting the zoning.
- P. Pothen responded to questions of the Committee.
- 5.3 Andrew McCammon, Executive Director, Ontario Headwaters Institute, re: Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update (2021-P-16)

Andrew McCammon, participating electronically, appeared before the Committee with respect to the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update. He advised that he is present to express support for Scenario 2 and to urge the Committee to embrace integrated watershed and land use planning.

A. McCammon provided a brief overview of the Ontario Headwaters Institute and outlined their perspective on the issue. He advised that they believe the major reason that Carruthers Creek and its contiguous watersheds have the positive characteristics they do is due to the extent of natural heritage and quality of water from their headwater areas. He added that they believe continuing to develop in headwater areas in the same fashion as to date would be detrimental.

A. McCammon stated that the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan bears out their perspective and any further development will likely result in the loss of the Redside dace. He also stated that they find Scenarios 1 and 3 to be business as usual and will result in significant negative ecological, social and economic outcomes in the future. He further stated that they believe Scenario 2 is the best option and the only option that would allow the Region to adhere to article 2.2 a) of the Provincial Policy Statement. He expressed concern that comments in sections 2.4 and 6.5 of Report #2021-P-16 represent a resistance to change. He urged Durham to embrace sustainable land use planning and in particular to integrate watershed management with the current land needs assessment and other land use planning protocols.

A. McCammon concluded by requesting that the Committee retain the current recommendations in Report #2021-P-16 as parts A) and D) and insert the following new recommendations:

B) That the Committee endorse Scenario 2 of the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan; and

C) That the Committee recommend that Durham Region embrace and direct staff to develop plans to implement integrated watershed and land use planning, balancing the quantitative framework of Land Needs Assessment with the qualitative framework of watershed planning.

5.4 <u>Helen Brenner re: Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update (2021-P-16)</u>

Helen Brenner, participating electronically, appeared before the Committee with respect to the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update. She advised that she is speaking today as a resident of Durham to state that she is adamantly opposed to any expansion into the Carruthers Creek Watershed.

- H. Brenner stated that she is puzzled as to why the 10-year Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan includes Scenario 3 that assumes post-2031 development in the headwaters of the Carruthers Creek. She also stated after some research she became aware the Ontario government has taken the step of mandating municipalities to lock in growth for the next thirty years to 2051. She further stated that while COVID-19 has been our highest priority for the last year and a half, running parallel are twin crises accelerating climate change and wildlife loss. She added in 2010 Canada and 200 other countries entered into a Global Diversity Treaty with the United Nations to protect 17% of the planet's land and inland waters by 2020 with the goal of achieving 30% by 2030. She stated that Ontario is lagging behind and she encouraged members to learn more.
- H. Brenner also stated that as a municipality we must resist the pressures of the Ontario Government and in keeping with the Global Diversity Treaty, seek new and innovative ways to protect Durham's existing natural heritage systems, watersheds, waterways and agricultural land, and to expand and build on biodiversity of our land to help prevent ecosystem collapse.
- H. Brenner requested that the Committee support settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 as set out in the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan. She also requested that the Committee resist pressures from the Ontario Government and reject any settlement area boundary expansion plans beyond 2031.
- 5.5 Aidan Dahlin Nolan, Ajax resident, re: Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update (2021-P-16)

Aidan Dahlin Nolan, participating electronically, appeared before the Committee with respect to the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update. He advised that he is speaking today to encourage Regional Council to protect the watershed of his local creek by ensuring the Region sticks to the current settlement area boundaries outlined in the Regional Official Plan and includes the enhanced natural heritage system outlined in Scenario 2 of the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan.

A. Dahlin Nolan stated that the future conditions in the Watershed Plan have implications for residents when it comes to increased costs associated with flood risks and he questioned why we would consider further threatening an endangered species like the Redside dace. He also stated in the context of climate change he feels it would be irresponsible to think about pursuing Scenarios 1 and 3, when Scenario 2 offers improved environmental conditions and more protection with regards to flood risk. He further stated that those advocating for other scenarios may suggest that mitigating measures might alleviate some impacts, however the Watershed Plan does not state that sufficient mitigation is even possible to prevent the outcomes. He also questioned who will pay for the mitigation measures.

A. Dahlin Nolan concluded by advising that one of the reasons he moved to Durham was the Region's green spaces. He also stated that new residents and the businesses they bring can be accommodated within the current Official Plan boundaries and to diminish green spaces would be to diminish the long-term potential as a Region.

5.6 Mark Flowers, North East Pickering Landowners Group Inc., re: Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update (2021-P-16)

Mark Flowers, participating electronically, appeared before the Committee with respect to the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update. He advised that he is a lawyer with Davies Howe and is counsel to the North East Pickering Landowners Group. He also advised that members of the North East Pickering Landowners Group own approximately 755 hectares, or roughly half of the whitebelt lands, in northeast Pickering that form part of the headwaters of the Carruthers Creek Watershed.

M. Flowers also advised that a written submission has been submitted by Delta Urban in response to Report #2021-P-16 and the current version of the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan. He advised that they are pleased to see that Regional staff has confirmed that the Watershed Plan is not a land use plan and have responded to earlier comments submitted by the North East Pickering Landowners Group.

M. Flowers further advised that one item they believe warrants comments is the scenarios modelled, specifically Scenario 3. He stated that they are concerned that Scenario 3 gives a misleading impression as to the effects of urban development within northeast Pickering on the Watershed, as the scenario reflects an unmitigated condition. He also stated that contemporary urban development within northeast Pickering would require mandatory minimum measures to be employed to mitigate potential adverse environmental effects, particularly flooding.

- M. Flowers also advised that the North East Pickering Landowners Group is actively participating in the Region's Municipal Comprehensive Review process and has submitted a request for settlement area boundary expansion to include the northeast Pickering lands. He referenced policy 7.3.11 p) in the Regional Official Plan and he stated that if the northeast Pickering lands are added to the urban area through the Municipal Comprehensive Review process, the North East Pickering Landowners Group is committed to working with the Region, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, City of Pickering and Town of Ajax to achieve the objectives of the Watershed Plan.
- M. Flowers responded to questions of the Committee.

6. Presentations

- 6.1 Brad Anderson, Principal Planner, re: Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update (2021-P-16)
 - B. Anderson and T. Morris provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining the details of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development. B. Anderson advised that Tony Morris and Laura Del Guidice of the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, were participating electronically for the presentation. Highlights of their presentation included:
 - Why Update the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan?
 - Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Project Recap
 - Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan (CCWP) Overview
 - Section 3: Existing Watershed Conditions
 - Section 4: Future Watershed Conditions
 - Section 5: Management Framework
 - Public Review of Draft CCWP
 - Public Review of Draft CCWP Comment Themes and how they were addressed
 - Carruthers Creek Headwaters
 - Next Steps

7. Planning

7.1 <u>Correspondence</u>

A) Correspondence from Eleanor Nash, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing concern that Durham Region may be expanding settlement into areas not included in Scenario 2 of the Watershed Plan and in so doing compromising the health and viability of the Carruthers Creek Watershed

(41) That correspondence from Eleanor Nash, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

B) Correspondence from Donna Bell, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing support of settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 set out in the Watershed Plan and asking that the Committee reject any settlement area boundary expansion

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(42) That correspondence from Donna Bell, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

C) Correspondence from Michael Mossman requesting to stop the sprawl and expressing the need to protect the environment and save our watersheds

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(43) That correspondence from Michael Mossman, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

D) Correspondence from Peter Voth, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and opposing expansion of the settlement areas in the Carruthers Creek Watershed

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(44) That correspondence from Peter Voth, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

E) Correspondence from Susie Healy, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing support of the settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 set out in the Watershed Plan and asking that any discussion of settlement area boundary expansion be rejected

(45) That correspondence from Susie Healy, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

F) Correspondence from Ayelen Barrios, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing support of the settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 set out in the Watershed Plan and asking that the Committee reject any settlement area boundary expansion

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(46) That correspondence from Ayelen Barrios, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

G) Correspondence from George Olson asking "which part of leave the wet lands alone do you not understand?"

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(47) That correspondence from George Olsen be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

H) Correspondence from David Baxter, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing support of the settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 set out in the Watershed Plan and rejection of any settlement area boundary expansion

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(48) That correspondence from David Baxter, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

Correspondence from Lynn Taylor, Durham resident, expressing disbelief that there are plans to alter the Carruthers Creek Watershed and requesting the Committee stop considering this ill fated plan

(49) That correspondence from Lynn Taylor, Durham resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

J) Correspondence from Doug Moffatt, Uxbridge resident, requesting the Committee not pass the resolution to adjust the boundaries and to preserve the river system

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(50) That correspondence from Doug Moffatt, Uxbridge resident, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

K) Correspondence from Helen Brenner regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing support of the settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 set out in the Watershed Plan and asking the Committee to reject any settlement area boundary expansion

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(51) That correspondence from Helen Brenner regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

Correspondence from Edward Tait, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing concerns regarding the proposed inclusion of the Carruthers Creek headwaters and eco system into the Pickering city limits

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(52) That correspondence from Edward Tait, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

M) Correspondence from Van Saberton, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing support of the settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 and asking the Committee not to allow plans to build more urban areas into Carruthers Creek

(53) That correspondence from Van Saberton, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

N) Correspondence from Tony Pinto requesting the stop of developments whose purpose is exclusively motivated by financial profits while ignoring the safety of the environment

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(54) That correspondence from Tony Pinto be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

O) Correspondence from Carmen Huber, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing the need to take the consequences for Carruthers Creek very seriously and stating that it is critical that we protect Carruthers Creek to protect our waterways, farmland and endangered species' habitats

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(55) That correspondence from Carmen Huber, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

P) Correspondence from Manjit Binning, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing concern that there may be a plan in the works to eradicate the Carruthers Creek Watershed area and replace it with a concrete built up area

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(56) That correspondence from Manjit Binning, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

Q) Correspondence from Jennifer Longo, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing support of the settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 set out in the watershed plan and asking the Region to reject any expansion of the settlement boundaries

(57) That correspondence from Jennifer Longo, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

R) Correspondence from Mary Ibbott-Stone, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan and expressing support for keeping the settlement area boundaries in Scenario 2

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(58) That correspondence from Mary Ibbott-Stone, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

S) Correspondence from Carol Pryce, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing support of the settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 set out in the Watershed Plan and asking the Committee to reject any settlement area boundary expansion

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(59) That correspondence from Carol Pryce, Ajax resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

T) Correspondence from Tammy Atkinson, Durham resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and asking the Committee to advocate for Scenario 2 in the Watershed Plan and reject and settlement area boundary expansion

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(60) That correspondence from Tammy Atkinson, Durham resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

U) Correspondence from Darlene Bahlmann-Huber, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed and expressing support of the settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 set out in the Watershed Plan and asking the Committee to reject any settlement area boundary expansion

(61) That correspondence from Darlene Bahlmann-Huber, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

V) Correspondence from Norman Mole, Pickering resident, writing to say no to more urban sprawl and yes to protecting watershed, waterways, endangered species, habitat and farmland

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(62) That correspondence from Norman Mole, Pickering resident, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

W) Correspondence from Michelle Pace, Ajax/Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan and expressing support of the settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 set out in the Watershed Plan and asking the Committee to reject any settlement area boundary expansion

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(63) That correspondence from Michelle Pace, Ajax/Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

X) Correspondence from Bonnie Thomson, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan and asking the Committee to support the settlement area boundaries that are in keeping with Scenario 2 and to reject any boundary expansion

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(64) That correspondence from Bonnie Thomson, Pickering resident, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

Y) Correspondence from Land Over Landings, providing a summary of their March 19, 2021 submission to the TRCA Planning Team for the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan, which expresses support for the vision and goals in the Watershed Plan and their opinion that only Scenario 2 supports achievement of the Watershed Plan's vision and goals

(65) That correspondence from Land Over Landings be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

Z) Correspondence from Russel White, Vice President, Fieldgate Developments, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan and providing comments from TFP Pickering Developments Limited regarding the Natural Heritage System and referencing background section 2.4 of Report #2021-P-16

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

(66) That correspondence from Russel White, Vice President, Fieldgate Developments, regarding the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan, be referred to consideration of Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

CARRIED

7.2 Reports

A) Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update (2021-P-16)

Report #2021-P-16 from B. Bridgeman, Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development, was received.

B. Bridgeman responded to questions with respect to the recommendation to endorse the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan; the possibility of future urban area expansion in northeast Pickering; if comments received are part of the Municipal Comprehensive Review process; whether future studies could include modifications to the Natural Heritage System; and how the Watershed Plan and enhanced Natural Heritage System will impact the Municipal Comprehensive Review process.

Moved by Councillor Lee, Seconded by Regional Chair Henry,

- (67) That we recommend to Council:
- A) That the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan contained in Attachment #2 to Report #2021-P-16 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development be endorsed; and
- B) That a copy of Report #2021-P-16 be forwarded to the City of Pickering, the Town of Ajax, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority for further distribution to the Carruthers Creek Watershed Plan Update interested parties list.

CARRIED

B) Planning Application Processing Fees and Charges (2021-P-17)

Report #2021-P-17 from B. Bridgeman, Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development, was received.

Moved by Councillor Highet, Seconded by Councillor Lee,

- (68) That we recommend to Council:
- A) That the Region's Planning Fees and Charges By-law be updated in accordance with the proposed fee schedule within Attachment 1 to Report #2021-P-17 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development;
- B) That the Regional Solicitor be authorized to prepare the necessary by-law to incorporate amendments to the Planning Application Fee By-law;
- C) That the new Planning Application Fee By-law come into effect on July 1, 2021; and
- D) That a copy of Report #2021-P-17 be forwarded to the Area Municipalities, the Conservation Authorities, the Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD), and The Durham Region Homebuilders' Association, for their information.

CARRIED

8. Economic Development

8.1 Correspondence

There were no communications to consider.

8.2 Reports

A) Local Food in Durham Region: Durham Farm Fresh Marketing Association 2021 Workplan and Ontario Local Food Week (2021-EDT-4)

This item was considered earlier in the meeting. Refer to page 7 of these minutes.

9. Advisory Committee Resolutions

There were no advisory committee resolutions to be considered.

10. Confidential Matters

There were no confidential matters to be considered.

11. Other Business

- 11.1 Presentation by Simon Gill, Director, Economic Development and Tourism, re: Reopening Update: Update on the Provincial Reopening Framework and Activities to Support Business Reopening
 - S. Gill provided a PowerPoint presentation with an update on the Provincial Reopening Framework and activities to support business reopening. Highlights of his presentation included:
 - Ontario Reopening Framework
 - Business Community Feedback/Reception
 - Activities to Support Reopening
 - Additional Planned Activities of Region & Durham Economic Task Force (DETF)
 - Look-Ahead
 - Potential Economic Development Opportunities Through Recovery

12. Date of Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at 9:30 AM in the Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

13. Adjournment

(69) That the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED
The meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM
Respectfully submitted,
D. Ryan, Chair
T. Fraser, Committee Clerk