



The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

Staff Report

**Report Title: Request for Concurrence-Telecommunication Antenna Structure
STC0247- 699 Lake Range Drive**

Date: Aug. 12, 2024

Report Number: BLD-2024-08-18

Department: Building and Planning

File Number: C11 BLD 24

Prepared By: Michele Barr, Deputy CBO

Attachments: Justification Report and Site Plan

Recommendation:

THAT the Council of the Township of Huron Kinloss hereby receive for information Report BLD-2024-08-18 prepared by Michele Barr, Deputy Chief Building Official;

AND FURTHER provide a statement of concurrence to Share Tower Inc in support of the installation of a 45metre tripole tower structure STC0247 at CON A PT LT 40 Township of Huron Kinloss in accordance with the governing regulations set out by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISCD)

AND FURTHER THAT Council is aware that the jurisdiction for approval of the noted facility rests strictly with ISED Canada, and that the Township's role is one of a commenting body to ISED Canada and the Applicant

Background:

Shared Tower Inc. is proposing to construct and install a 45 metre tripole tower structure to support multiple co-location opportunities. Although the Federal Government, through Innovation, Science and Economic Development (ISED) Canada is responsible for the final regulatory decision to approve the location of the tower, the proponent is required to notify the Township of the project.

As part of the proponent completing the regulatory requirements under ISED Canada, a statement of concurrence is requested as a response that the Township acknowledges the project and, in their opinion, has satisfied the conditions under ISED Canada (consultation and circulation) and concurs with the project.

Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

Share Tower Inc. has requested a statement of concurrence from the Township of Huron Kinloss for the installation of a 45-metre tripole tower structure. The subject property is zoned General Agricultural Rural (AG1) and is located at the south-east corner of Lake Range Drive and Concession 8. The property is approximately 34.676 acres and legally known as CON A PT LT 40 Township of Huron Kinloss.

The intent of the proposed tower is to strengthen the telecommunication network to better support increased demands for consumer connectivity, the digital economy, and health and safety measures in the community. As demand for telecommunications services continues to grow, more network infrastructure is required to keep pace with this demand.

The tripole tower design has been selected as the most efficient tower type to support equipment for multiple future co-location services and is consistent with the typical structures installed in rural areas and ensures minimal visual impact.

The proposed tower will include a locked and electronically monitored mechanical equipment shelter. Fencing will be installed around the base of the tower and the equipment shelter will include on locked gated access point. (site plan attached)

A notice Package was circulated to the required property owners and the Township, at the same time notice was advertised in the three local newspapers inviting public comment. The Justification Report was circulated to staff for review and comment. It was noted that the tower provides co-location opportunities, staff inquired about the possibility of installing fire equipment should the need arise in the distant future. Discussion was positive subject to the size of equipment applicant also indicated there would be a need to enter into a license agreement at \$0 with the Municipality for insurance purposes.

There were no public comments received by Shared Tower Inc. or the Township Office within the 30-day commenting period concluding July 26th, 2024

Financial Impacts:

Application fee as per the Consolidated Rates and Fees Bylaw

Performance Measurement:

N/A

Strategic Area:

- Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle
- Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
- Prepare for Inclusive Growth
- Ensure Financial Stability

Strategic Goal: Build Community Capacity

Respectfully Submitted By:

Michele Barr, Deputy CBO

Report Approved By:

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer