



Staff Report

Report Title: Resolutions for Consideration September 8, 2021

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Department: Clerk's Department

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Attachments: 1. Review MPAC 2. Noise Exemptions for Construction due to COVID 3. Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario 4. Canada Wide Early Learning and Child Care System 5. Year of the Garden

Recommendation:

1. THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby supports the County of Perth in their endorsement of Ontario's expressed intention for a review, including a review of the accuracy and stability of property assessments and the strengthening of governance and accountability of Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) AND directs staff to distribute as they see fit.
2. THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby supports the City of Hamilton in their request for the Province of Ontario to promptly expedite the expiry of O.Reg 131/21, the COVID exemption for after-hours noise from construction sites and not to make any temporary regulations permanent through an amendment to the Municipal Act AND directs staff to distribute as they see fit.
3. THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby supports Northumberland County and the City of Toronto in their plea to include in Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act and take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the legislation by making it easier and more convenient for the public and prosecutors to engage in resolution discussions and by making it more effective and efficient to administer early resolution proceedings for Part I and Part II offences in the Provincial Offences Court AND directs staff to distribute as they see fit.
4. THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby supports the City of Toronto in their support for the Government of Canada's announcement to invest in a

Canada wide system of Early Learning and Child Care and Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care that builds on the City of Toronto policies and service plans and has adequate and ongoing operating and capital funding AND directs staff to distribute as they see fit.

5. THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole support the City of Brantford in their participation in the "Year of the Garden" AND directs staff to distribute as they see fit.

Background:

The following resolutions were received for Council's consideration.

Discussion:

1. The County of Perth acknowledges that an evaluation of MPAC is warranted given there have been a number of performance and level of service concerns that need to be addressed;
 - Reviews the details of the financial performance (e.g., balance sheet and income statement reviews) of the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation to support our understanding of the viability of the Corporation and its alignment of spend and assets for their defined mission, mandate and objectives;
 - Reviews level of service parameters and performance levels (e.g., key indicators related to accuracy, timeliness, process efficiencies, consistency of outcomes, land use classification revisions, and missed properties) of MPAC efforts in Perth County, collaborating with the lower tier municipalities of Perth County to support with data collection; and
 - Clarifies the current governance model and accountabilities of MPAC's Board of Directors, including accountabilities for their performance and means of complaint.
2. The Ontario Government passed Reg O.131/20, under the Municipal Act 2001, allowing for extended construction hours for projects associated with Healthcare to 24 hours a day and any other construction between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. due to COVID. Under this regulation, the City of Hamilton has limited authority and enforcement through Section 451.1 of the Municipal Act, 2001 from prohibiting and regulating noise with a result of increased complaints.
3. The City of Toronto request that the Attorney General of Ontario halt the proclamation of the Early Resolution reforms included in Bill 177, Stronger, Fairer Ontario Act. The City of Toronto Council is requesting a review of the Early Resolution provisions of the Provincial Offences Act and take action to streamline and modernize this section, making it easier for the public and prosecutors to engage in resolution discussions and to administer early resolution proceedings in Provincial Court. The City of Toronto Council is requesting that the Attorney General enact changes to the Provincial Offences Act to permit the Prosecutor and Defendant or legal representative to agree, at any stage of the proceeding, to a resolution in writing for proceedings commenced under Part I of the Provincial Offences Act and to permit the Clerk of the Court to register the court

outcome immediately upon receipt of written agreement without having to appear before a Justice of the Peace.

4. The lack of affordable, high quality early learning and child care in the City of Toronto is a challenge that has been exacerbated by the pandemic. The City of Toronto is supporting building a system of early learning and child care services that are high-quality, public and not-for profit, affordable, inclusive and accessible for all families and support for the Government of Canada's April 19, 2021 budget announcement to invest in building a Canada wide system of Early Learning and Child Care and Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care, that builds on City of Toronto policies and service plans, and has adequate and ongoing operating and capital funding.
5. The City of Brantford is proud to be home to landscapes that demonstrate a growing commitment to environmental sustainability and climate action and that contribute to the quality of life that create safe and healthy places where people can come together. The City of Brantford actively participate in the "Year of the Garden" by promoting beautification initiatives, enhancing plantings city wide, encouraging resident engagement and creating a supporting media campaign.

Financial Impacts:

There are no financial implications with this report.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

We are an accessible community that offers opportunities for everyone by being open and transparent.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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