

**The Corporation of the Township of Brock**

**Committee of the Whole Agenda**

**Municipal Administration Building**

**Session Eight**

**Monday, October 05, 2020**

- 1. Call to Order & Moment of Silence – 9:30 a.m.**
- 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof**
- 3. Adoption of Minutes**

- 1) 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting – September 21, 2020
- 2) 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Closed Session – September 21, 2020

**Resolution**

That the minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> Committee of the Whole meeting, as held on September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020, be approved; and

That the minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> Committee of the Whole Closed Session meeting, as held on September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020, be approved.

- 4. Announcements from Council and Staff**
- 5. Presentations**
- 6. Delegations**

- 1) Tracy Greig, Durham Region Non-Profit Housing Corporation – Update on Allan's Place, Cannington
- 2) Christopher Norris, Durham Region Transit – DRT Overview of the Phase A Service Plan (ridership recovery framework)

- 7. Sub-Committees**

**Finance Committee**

- a) **Consent Agenda**
- b) **Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**
- c) **Other Business**

**Public Works, Facilities & Parks Committee**

- a) **Consent Agenda**

**1255** Ryan Lloyd, Beaverton Lions – Santa Claus Parade / Winter Decorations

**Resolution**

That communication no. 1255 be received for information; and

That Committee have no objection to the request; and

Further that Committee direct staff to work with the Beaverton Lions Club regarding the installation and removal of the decorations.

- 1284** Paul Lagrandeur – Report: 2020-PWF-09, Tender No. B2020-PW-12 – One (1) Tandem Truck

**Resolution**

That staff report no. 2020-PWF-09 be received for information; and

Further, that the Committee accept the bid submitted by Currie Truck Centre.

- 1288** Joe Down, Chairperson, Sunderland Santa Claus Parade Committee

**Resolution**

That communication no. 1288 be received for information; and

That Committee deny the requests contained in communication no. 1288 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- 1309** Paul Lagrandeur – Report: 2020-PWF-10, Tender No. B2020-PW-11 – Grader Tender

**Resolution**

That staff report no. 2020-PWF-10 be received for information; and

Further, that the Committee accept the bid submitted by Brandt Tractor Ltd. for the supply of a new grader.

**b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**

**c) Other Business**

**Building, Planning & Economic Development Committee**

**a) Consent Agenda**

- 1266** The Regional Municipality of Durham, Planning Division – 2019 Annual Building Activity Review

**Resolution**

That communication no. 1266 be received for information and filed.

- 1286** Town of Ajax – Resolution: Limiting Cash-Advance “Payday Loan” Stores in the Town of Ajax

**Resolution**

That communication no. 1286 be received for information and filed.

**b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**

**c) Other Business**

**Tourism, Heritage & Recreation Committee**

**a) Consent Agenda**

**b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda****c) Other Business****Protection Services Committee****a) Consent Agenda**

- 1227** Christeen Thornton – Concerns re: Proposed Development by the Region of Durham

**Resolution**

The communication no. 1227 be received for information and filed.

- 1228** Debbie France – Stop Illicit Cannabis Grow Operations

**Resolution**

That communication no. 1228 be received for information and filed.

- 1238** Peter Frank – Beaverton Modular Housing Project

**Resolution**

The communication no. 1238 be received for information and filed.

- 1246** Catherine Frank – Supportive Housing Project, Beaverton

**Resolution**

The communication no. 1246 be received for information and filed.

- 1269** Brock Accessibility Advisory Committee – Minutes – January 21, 2020

**Resolution**

That the Brock Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes dated January 21, 2019 be approved.

- 1275** Municipality of Clarington – Resolution: Call to Action (Public Enquiry) – Second Request

**Resolution**

The communication no. 1275 be received for information and filed.

- 1276** Municipality of Clarington – Resolution: Mental Health for Police Services

**Resolution**

The communication no. 1276 be received for information and filed.

- 1285** Town of Ajax – Resolution: Durham Regional Police Body-Worn Camera Project

**Resolution**

The communication no. 1285 be received for information and filed.

- 1308** Lesley Donnelly – Interoffice Memorandum: 2020 Township of Brock Accessibility Award and 2020 Durham Region Accessibility Award

**Resolution**

The communication no. 1308 be received for information; and

That Committee have no objection to the recommendations contained in communication no. 1308.

**b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**

**c) Other Business**

**Corporate Services Committee**

**a) Consent Agenda**

**1281** City of Oshawa – Resolution: Municipal Challenges Regarding On-Line Home-Sharing Platforms

**Resolution**

The communication no. 1281 be received for information and filed.

**1300** Justin Kouba – Request to continue lease for Beaver River Bait

**Resolution**

The communication no. 1300 be received for information; and

That Committee have no objection to the request.

**b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**

**c) Other Business**

**8. Other Business**

**9. Public Questions & Clarification** – suspended until further notice

**10. Closed Session**

**11. Adjournment**

**The Corporation of the Township of Brock**  
**Committee of the Whole Electronic Meeting Minutes - Draft**  
**Municipal Administration Building**

**Session Seven**

**Monday, September 21, 2020**

The Seventh Meeting of the Committee of the Whole of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, September 21, 2020, electronically.

Members present:	Mayor:	Debbie Bath-Hadden
	Regional Councillor:	W.E. Ted Smith
	Councillors:	Michael Jubb
		Claire Doble
		Walter Schummer
		Cria Pettingill
		Lynn Campbell
Members absent:	Councillor:	Claire Doble (regrets)
Staff members present:	Municipal Clerk Becky Jamieson	
	(recording the minutes)	
	Deputy Clerk Deena Hunt	
	Acting CAO Ralph Walton	
	Treasurer Laura Barta	
	Fire Chief Rick Harrison	
	Director of Public Works Paul Lagrandeur	
	Planner Debbie Vandenakker	
	Recreation and Leisure Coordinator Alicia Bagshaw	

**1. Call to Order and Moment of Silence**

Mayor Bath-Hadden called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

**2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof**

None

**3. Adoption of Minutes**

- (1) 3rd COW meeting – February 7, 2020
- (2) 4th COW meeting– March 2, 2020
- (3) 6th COW meeting – April 6, 2020
- (4) 6th COW meeting, Closed Session – April 6, 2020

Resolution Number 1-7

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith that the minutes of the 3rd, 4th, and 6th Committee of the Whole meetings and In Camera Session as held on February 7th, March 2nd, April 6th, and April 6th, respectively, be adopted as typed and circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

**4. Announcements from Council and Staff**

Suspended until further notice.

**5. Presentations**

None

**6. Hearing of Delegations**

- (1) Ms. Claire Malcomson, Executive Director, Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition – Lake Simcoe: Threats and Opportunities 2020

Ms. Claire Malcomson provided a presentation on Lake Simcoe's phosphorus pollution and sources, the Lake Simcoe Protection Act and Plan, Lake Simcoe Protection Plan Review in 2020, and requested that Council consider adopting the resolution provided in her presentation.

Resolution Number 2-7

MOVED BY Lynn Campbell that the rules of procedure with respect to the length of the deputation be waived.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillors enquired as to the members of the coalition, whether there was an agricultural phosphorus breakdown within the data, and whether water infiltration systems are preferred over storm water management ponds.

Ms. Malcomson advised that the coalition is comprised of local associations, the presentation data reflects the Provincial 2010 data for phosphorous loads which is not broken down further, and that low impact development (infiltration) systems are preferred for managing flood water on site. She advised that Beaverton had experienced a lot of sediment, but that it has improved with the remediation plan in place.

Councillors enquired as to area municipalities involvement, the rise in the phosphorous load and fluctuation in the data, whether there was Federal funding, and how tourism is affected.

Ms. Malcomson advised that some municipalities are awaiting the results of the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan Review prior to providing support noting that some have adopted the proposed resolution. She advised that the flow volume drives up the phosphorous load number which increased to 131 tonnes per year in 2017, and that fluctuation is due to dry or rainy years. She advised that many agencies have taken action to reduce phosphorous loads, however, there remains a need to flatten the curve on the flow volumes by increasing natural coverage, protecting the natural heritage, and increasing flood water mitigation work. She advised that there is currently no Federal funding but that they are prepared to submit an application for the Climate Change Action Fund. She further advised that tourism is affected by the algae content in the lake noting that Beaverton beaches are affected by the prevailing winds more than other areas of the lake. She concluded by noting that the Province has weakened the lake standards and measuring bacteria levels has changed such that the safe levels are now double what they once were.

Resolution Number 3-7

MOVED BY Cria Pettingill

WHEREAS a healthy environment provides the foundation for healthy communities, healthy people, and a healthy economy; and

WHEREAS the passage of the Lake Simcoe Protection Act received unanimous, all party support in the Ontario legislature in 2008;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Township of Brock calls on the Ontario Government to demonstrate its commitment to clean water and protecting what matters most in the provincial statutory review of the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan, by ensuring that provisions in the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan that protect water quality are not weakened and that policies protecting natural heritage be strengthened, in order to meet the targets of the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan; and

THAT the Ontario Government be requested to work collaboratively with affected Provincial Ministries and all levels of government, including First Nations and Métis, to achieve the goals and targets of the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan and to resource the programs that improve Lake Simcoe's water quality during the provincial statutory review of the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan; and

THAT copies of this resolution be provided to Ontario Premier Doug Ford, Official Opposition Leader Andrea Horvath, MPP John Fraser, MPP Mike Schreiner, MPP Mulroney, and MPP Jeff Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

MOTION CARRIED

- (2) Mr. Riaz Razvi, Broadband Specialist, Region of Durham – Broadband Update

Mr. Riaz Razvi provided a presentation on the broadband survey study, the Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA) webpage, and the Improving Connectivity Ontario (ICON) funding program.

Resolution Number 4-7

MOVED BY Cria Pettingill that the rules of procedure with respect to the length of the deputation be waived.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillors enquired as to the Expression of Interest (EOI) for the CENGN funding to which Mr. Razvi advised that the EOI is seeking the input of area municipalities of their issues and challenges with respect to broadband.

Councillors enquired whether the fibre network (highway) would be a collaboration of private, municipal, and Regional ownership and was advised potentially, as the goal is for the 'end entity' to own it, and that ownership is not yet defined.

Committee expressed concern for affordability of the updated connectivity to which Mr. Razvi advised that the concern has been acknowledged by the Region and the pricing would be addressed within the business case.

Committee members enquired whether North Durham would be a focus for the fibre optic highway and were advised that the un-serviced areas in the Region of Durham would be the focus including each separate hamlet.

Resolution Number 5-7

MOVED by W.E. Ted Smith that the Committee of the Whole break for a recess at 10:45 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Bath-Hadden reconvened the meeting at 10:55 a.m. with the same members of Council and staff in attendance.

Resolution Number 6-7

MOVED BY Lynn Campbell that Committee of the Whole amend the order of the agenda to consider the In Camera Session at this time.

MOTION CARRIED

Staff left the meeting with the exception of the Acting CAO and Clerk.

**9. Closed Session**

- 1) Personnel Matter

Pursuant to Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and,

Pursuant to Section 239(2)(f) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege.

Resolution Number 7-7

MOVED by Lynn Campbell that Committee move in-camera at 10:58 a.m. pursuant to Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss personnel matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and, pursuant to Section 239(2)(f) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for the purpose.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution Number 8-7

MOVED by W.E. Ted Smith that we rise from In Camera at 11:40 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution Number 9-7

MOVED by W.E. Ted Smith that the Committee of the Whole break for a recess at 11:42 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Bath-Hadden reconvened the meeting at 12:30 p.m., in open session, with the same members of Council and staff in attendance.

**7. Sub-Committee**

**Finance Committee**

**(a) Consent Agenda**

Resolution Number 10-7

MOVED BY Walter Schummer that items listed under Section 7, Finance Consent Agenda, be approved, save and except communication numbers 1196 and 1220.

MOTION CARRIED

1197 Laura Barta – Report: 2020-FI-08, 2021 Budget Plan

Resolution Number 11-7

That Report: 2020-FI-08, 2021 Budget Plan be received for information; and,

That the appended Budget Information Sheets be circulated to assist the public to understand the municipal budget process; and,

That Council set a date to hold the 2021 Pre-Budget Streetlight Cost Allocation Presentation to obtain Public comments.

**(b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**

1196 Laura Barta – Report: 2020-FI-09, Financial Update Report – August 2020

There was discussion with respect to the usual number of applications being received for the Senior's Property Tax Credit.



Resolution Number 12-7

MOVED BY Walter Schummer That Report: 2020-FI-09, Financial Update Report – August 2020, be received for information.

MOTION CARRIED

1220 Laura Barta – Report: 2020-FI-10, Brock COVID-19 Property Tax Penalty and Interest Relief Program

Councillors enquired as to the anticipated demand for this program and the deadline for applications and were advised that, as it is for residential taxes only, not many application are anticipated and the deadline is October 31, 2020.

Councillors enquired as to the consideration for reduced household income and were advised that, should they be experiencing financial difficulty, their application would be considered.

Resolution Number 13-7

MOVED BY Walter Schummer That Report: 2020-FI-10, Brock COVID-19 Property Tax Penalty and Interest Relief Program be received for information; and,

That staff be directed to implement the program as described by placing the appended COVID-19 Property Tax Penalty and Interest Relief Program application form online for the public to access.

MOTION CARRIED

**(c) Other Business**

None

**Public Works, Facilities & Parks Committee**

**(a) Consent Agenda**

Resolution Number 14-7

MOVED BY Michael Jubb that items listed under Section 7, Public Works, Facilities & Parks Consent Agenda, be approved, save and except communication numbers 1123, 1124, 1218, and 1131.

MOTION CARRIED

988 Pat Smith – Speed Deterrent on Parklawn Boulevard, Beaverton

Resolution Number 15-7

That communication number 988 be received for information; and that the communication be referred to staff for a report.

1173 Cannington Lioness Club – Annual Lioness Ducky Race – 2021

Resolution Number 16-7

That communication number 1173 be received; and That Committee has no objection to the request to hold a Ducky Race on May 31, 2021 provided all COVID-19 protocols are met.

1179 Ministry of Transportation – Widening of Highway 12

Resolution Number 17-7

That communication number 1179 be received for information and filed.

**(b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**

1123 Julie Lindsay – Safety measures for King Street, Beaverton

1124 Darlene Hopkins – Concerns and Recommendations for King Street, Beaverton

Resolution Number 18-7

MOVED BY Michael Jubb that King Street, in front of Beaverton Public School, be painted with striped lines indicating school zone and that communication 1123 and 1124 be forwarded to staff for a report.

Councillors enquired as to the feasibility of line painting and were advised that it could be a short term solution as the Durham District School Board is continuing with their construction plans.

Resolution Number 18-7

MOVED BY Michael Jubb that King Street, in front of Beaverton Public School, be painted with striped lines indicating school zone and that communication 1123 and 1124 be forwarded to staff for a report.

MOTION CARRIED

1218 Becky Jamieson – Report: 2020-PWF-08, Beaverton Harbour Advisory Committee (BHAC)

There was discussion with respect to keeping the recommended date for input from the BHAC for the Beaverton Skywoman proposal as March 31, 2021.

Councillors enquired, with respect to the various advisory committees being formed, whether the Clerk's staff resources would require an increase and were advised that staff would attempt to address all advisory committee needs. Councillors noted that the upcoming budget could reflect an increase in staffing requirements in the Clerk's department.

Resolution Number 19-7

MOVED BY Michael Jubb That Report: 2020-PWF-08, Beaverton Harbour Advisory Committee (BHAC) be received for information; and,

That the Beaverton Harbour Advisory Committee (BHAC) Terms of Reference as contained in Attachment Number 1 be approved; and,

That staff be directed to advertise for the BHAC as outlined in the report.

MOTION CARRIED

1131 Paul Lagrandeur – Report: 2020-PWF-07, Speeding Concerns – Beaver Ridge Drive, Cannington

Resolution Number 20-7

MOVED BY Walter Schummer that Report: 2020-PWF-07, Speeding Concerns – Beaver Ridge Drive, Cannington be received; and that staff report to Committee or Council with preferred speed control methods, outside of signage, and the report include the issue of sidewalk placement as requested at the July 13 meeting.

Councillors requested a more detailed report that would consider the opportunity to install flexible bollards, and address the sidewalks and ditch concerns and were advised in the affirmative.

Resolution Number 20-7

MOVED BY Walter Schummer that Report: 2020-PWF-07, Speeding Concerns – Beaver Ridge Drive, Cannington be received; and that staff report to Committee or Council with preferred speed control methods, outside of signage, and the report include the issue of sidewalk placement as requested at the July 13 meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

**(c) Other Business**

Regional Councillor Smith enquired as to the impact that the Province's announcement about decreasing group sizes due to the increase in COVID cases would have on the decision to open the municipal arenas to which the Acting CAO advised that it would be Council's decision and a future report would provide discussion opportunity.

**Building, Planning & Economic Development Committee**

**(a) Consent Agenda**

Resolution Number 21-7

MOVED BY Cria Pettingill that items listed under Section 7, Building, Planning & Economic Development Consent Agenda, be approved, save and except communication numbers 1133, 1141, 927, and 1216.

MOTION CARRIED

1142 Richard Ferguson – Report: 2020-BPE-04, Building Department – Second Quarterly Report 2020

Resolution Number 22-7

That Report: 2020-BPE-04, Building Department – Second Quarterly Report 2020 be received for information.

**(b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**

1133 Debbie Vandenaeker – Report: 2020-BPE-05, Staff report in response to a request to report on the feasibility of the suggestions put forward in the September 27, 2019 deputation presentation titled "Brock Citizens call for Climate Change Action, FRIDAYSforFUTURE"

There was discussion with respect to bringing forth ideas once the Environmental Advisory Committee has been established and report to Council.

Resolution Number 23-7

MOVED BY Cria Pettingill That Report: 2020-BPE-05 be provided to the yet to be established Environmental Advisory Committee for consideration of short, medium and long-term Climate Change actions to be strategically considered for implementation.

MOTION CARRIED

1141 Debbie Vandenaeker – Report: 2020-BPE-03, Severance of non-abutting surplus farm dwelling, Township of Brock rezoning application (12-2019-RA), Daryl Phoenix (S2165 Brock);

An application was received from Clark Consulting on behalf of Daryl Phoenix to pursue the planning processes necessary to undertake the severance of a surplus farm dwelling in Durham Region. This process requires a Regional Official Plan Amendment (ROPA), a Township of Brock rezoning and a Regional Land Division (LD) approval. The ROPA and LD processes for this application are complete.

Councillors enquired as to the alteration to the EP lands and were advised that the EP land is increasing to meet the actual delineation of the existing feature.

Resolution Number 24-7

MOVED BY Cria Pettingill That the application for Zoning By-law Amendment No. 12-2019-RA be approved as described herein and that the attached draft By-law be endorsed for approval by Council at the September 28, 2020 Council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

927 Town of Ajax – ERO Number: 019-1608 – Proposed Amendment 1 to ‘A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe’

Councillors enquired whether there would be an impact for Brock with respect to the recommendation by Ajax to increase the target intensification to 60% and were advised that the Region’s response is more applicable to Brock.

Resolution Number 25-7

MOVED BY Walter Schummer That communication number 927 be received for information and filed.

MOTION CARRIED

The Acting CAO left the meeting at 1:23 p.m.

1216 Becky Jamieson – Report: 2020-BPE-06, Brock Environmental Advisory Committee (BEAC)

Councillors enquired whether the advisory committee would provide a broader range of comment versus specific environmental initiatives, as per the Terms of Reference, and were advised in the affirmative. Councillors enquired as to the Term Limit Policy for Advisory Committees to which staff advised that the policy has been in place for 6 years and could be uploaded to the website.

Resolution Number 26-7

MOVED BY Walter Schummer That Report: 2020-BPE-06, Brock Environmental Advisory Committee (BEAC) be received for information; and,

That the Brock Environmental Advisory Committee (BEAC) Terms of Reference as contained in Attachment Number 1 be approved; and,

That staff be directed to advertise for the BEAC as outlined in the report.

MOTION CARRIED

**(c) Other Business**

The Clerk advised that there was an inadequate uptake for the Economic Development Advisory Committee and the Tourism Advisory Committee and, in consultation with the Region, staff propose to re-advertise for these committees.

**Tourism, Heritage & Recreation Committee**

**(a) Consent Agenda**

Resolution Number 27-7

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith that items listed under Section 7, Tourism, Heritage & Recreation Consent Agenda, be approved, save and except communication number 1217.

MOTION CARRIED

1069 Brock Libraries – Brock Libraries Youth Writing Contest 2020

Resolution Number 28-7

That communication number 1069 be received for information and filed.

**(b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**

1217 Becky Jamieson – Report: 2020-THR-01, Brock Seniors' Advisory Committee (BSAC)

There was discussion with respect to postponing the establishment of this advisory committee until the Spring of 2021. Staff were requested to bring the BSAC back in the Spring for discussion.

Resolution Number 29-7

MOVED BY Walter Schummer That Report: 2020-THR-01, Brock Seniors' Advisory Committee (BSAC) be received for information.

MOTION CARRIED

**(c) Other Business**

None

**Protection Services Committee**

**(a) Consent Agenda**

Resolution Number 30-7

MOVED BY Cria Pettingill that items listed under Section 7, Protection Services Consent Agenda, be approved, save and except communication numbers 1104, 1163, 1165, and 1066.

MOTION CARRIED

1108 Shirley Wiche – Supportive Housing in Beaverton

Resolution Number 31-7

That communication number 1108 be received for information and filed.

1121 Harris Rosen – Durham Housing Project – Main Street, Beaverton

Resolution Number 32-7

That communication number 1121 be received for information and filed.

1136 Alzheimer Society Durham Region – Proclamation and Illumination Request

Resolution Number 33-7

That communication number 1136 be received and that Committee proclaim September 21, 2020, as "World Alzheimer's Day".

1143 Mary Ellen Empringham – Planned Housing Unit in Beaverton

Resolution Number 34-7

That communication number 1143 be received for information and filed.

1160 Peter Bornemisa – Supportive Housing Project in Beaverton

Resolution Number 35-7

That communication number 1160 be received for information and filed.

1161 Donna Snider – Proposed Housing Complex in Beaverton

Resolution Number 36-7

That communication number 1161 be received for information and filed.

1162 Liz Martyn – Modular Housing Proposal in Beaverton

Resolution Number 37-7

That communication number 1162 be received for information and filed.

1164 Doreen and Eugene Belanger – Proposed Social Housing Project,  
Beaverton

Resolution Number 38-7

That communication number 1164 be received for information and filed.

1202 Deborah and Charles Brackett – Supportive Housing in Beaverton

Resolution Number 39-7

That communication number 1202 be received for information and filed.

1205 Mary Beddows for the Tenants of Gillespie Gardens – Concerns about  
Supportive Housing Project, Beaverton

Resolution Number 40-7

That communication number 1205 be received for information and filed.

1219 Yolanda Teel – Modular Supportive Housing for Beaverton

Resolution Number 41-7

That communication number 1219 be received for information and filed.

**(b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**

1104 Rick Harrison – Report: 2020-PS-04, Firefighter Personal Protective  
Equipment – Helmets

Councillors enquired as to the purchase of the helmets and were advised that the helmets are recommended for replacement every 10 years and the monies received through Fire Marque are permitted to be used for protection equipment purchases.

Resolution Number 42-7

MOVED BY Cria Pettingill That Report: 2020-PS-04, Firefighter Personal Protective Equipment – Helmets be received; and That Committee recommends to Council the approval for the Fire Chief to purchase 45 suppression firefighting helmets and the monies received from Fire Marque Inc. be used to fund the helmet purchase.

MOTION CARRIED

1163 Brett Bloxam – Beaverton Supportive Housing Project

1165 Jane Pattillo – Durham Affordable Supportive Housing Project

Councillors expressed disappointment that they were not informed of this proposal after it was addressed at Regional Council and enquired why Brock did not appear on the list of locations. Mayor Bath-Hadden advised that the Region had previously identified Brock as a location and explained that the process commences with the approval of Regional Council following which it is brought to the municipality.

There was discussion with respect to the online portfolio on the Region's website which provides information to the public on the matter, the Region's goal to build 1,000 units of supportive housing throughout the Region with Brock accounting for 5% of that (50 units), and that a forthcoming petition for Council's consideration would provide the opportunity for further discussion by Councillors.

Resolution Number 43-7

MOVED BY Cria Pettingill That communication numbers 1163 and 1165 be received for information and filed.

MOTION CARRIED

1066 North Durham Social Development Council (NDSDC) – NDSDC recommendations to the proposed North Durham Hub

Councillors enquired as to the impact of the mobile hub on lower tier municipalities and was advised that staff could request further details.

Resolution Number 44-7

MOVED BY Walter Schummer That communication number 1066 be received for information.

MOTION CARRIED

**(c) Other Business**

Rick Harrison: Verbal Update, Farm 911 Project – 2020 Regional Funding Allocation

The Clerk provided an overview and advised that this project was presented to the Region in April 2019 with respect to signage for rural secondary addresses in response to a rural Hastings County tragedy, working groups met in May and August 2019, and in February 2020, the Region approved \$300,000 in funds for farm signage implementation. She noted that Brock will receive \$60,000 toward this initiative.

Resolution Number 45-7

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith That Committee grant permission to execute the agreement; and That a motion be brought forward at the September 28, 2020 Council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

**Corporate Services Committee**

**(a) Consent Agenda**

1098 The Regional Municipality of Durham – Region of Durham Woodland Conservation and Management By-law (Regional Woodland By-law)

Councillor Pettingill advised of the need for a Brock specific woodland by-law to which the Clerk advised a separate motion would be required.

Resolution Number 46-7

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith That communication number 1098 be received for information and filed.

**(b) Items Extracted from Consent Agenda**

None

**(c) Other Business**

None

**8. Other Business**

- 1) The Clerk requested a date for a public meeting to gather input on streetlight charges and Councillors agreed to a public meeting on Monday October 26, at 6:00 p.m. prior to the Council meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) Mayor Bath-Hadden enquired as to the status of the public questions section on the agenda and was advised that it remains on hold and staff are researching options.

**9. Closed Session**

- 1) Personnel Matter  
Pursuant to Section 239(2)(b) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; and,  
Pursuant to Section 239(2)(f) of the Municipal Act, 2001 to discuss advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege.

See earlier in the meeting.

**10. Public Questions and Clarifications**

Suspended until further notice.

**11. Adjournment**

Resolution Number 47-7

MOVED by Lynn Campbell that we do now adjourn at 2:31 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

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CHAIR

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SECRETARY



# Deputations

# Service re-design and transit system enhancements

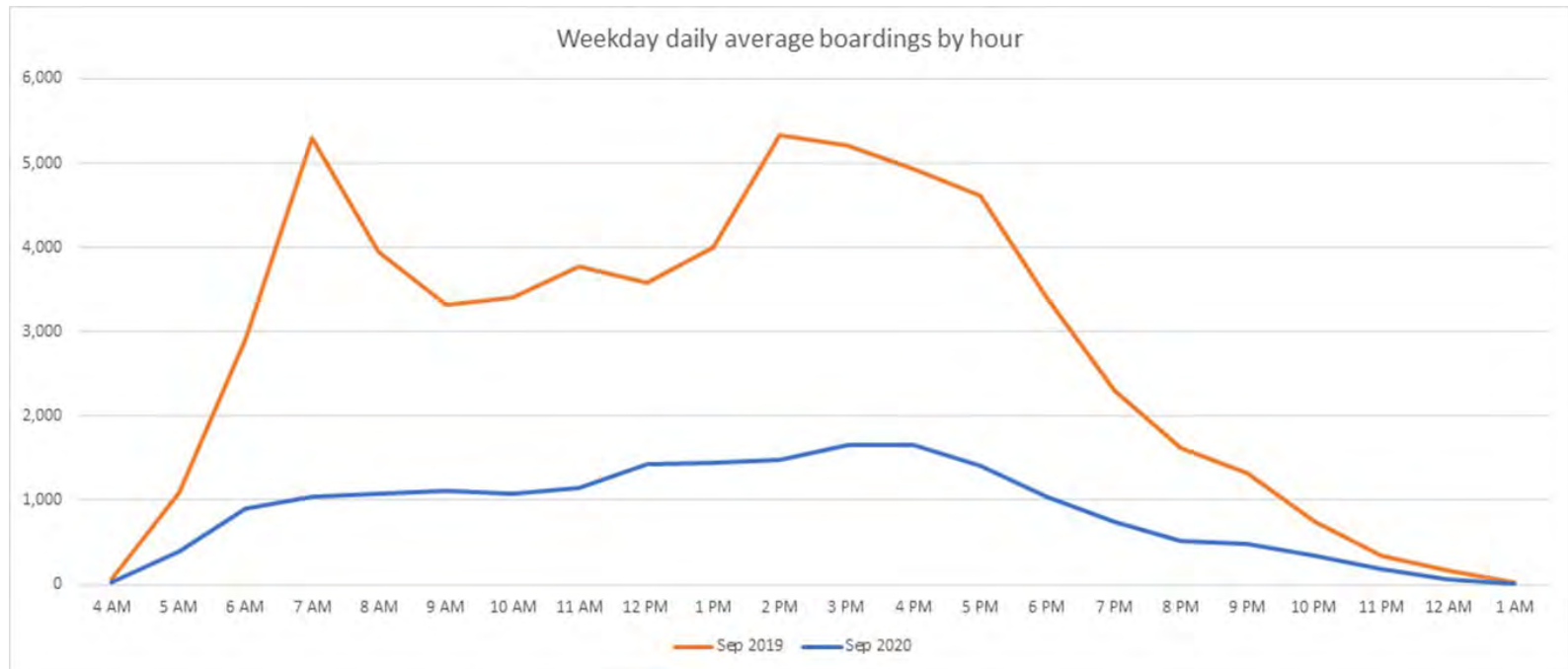
**Presentation to Local Area Municipalities**

**September/October 2020**

**Durham Region Transit**

## Current situation - ridership

- Ridership at 33 per cent levels of 2019
- Trip demand profile has changed; peak period commuter and post-secondary travel has declined significantly



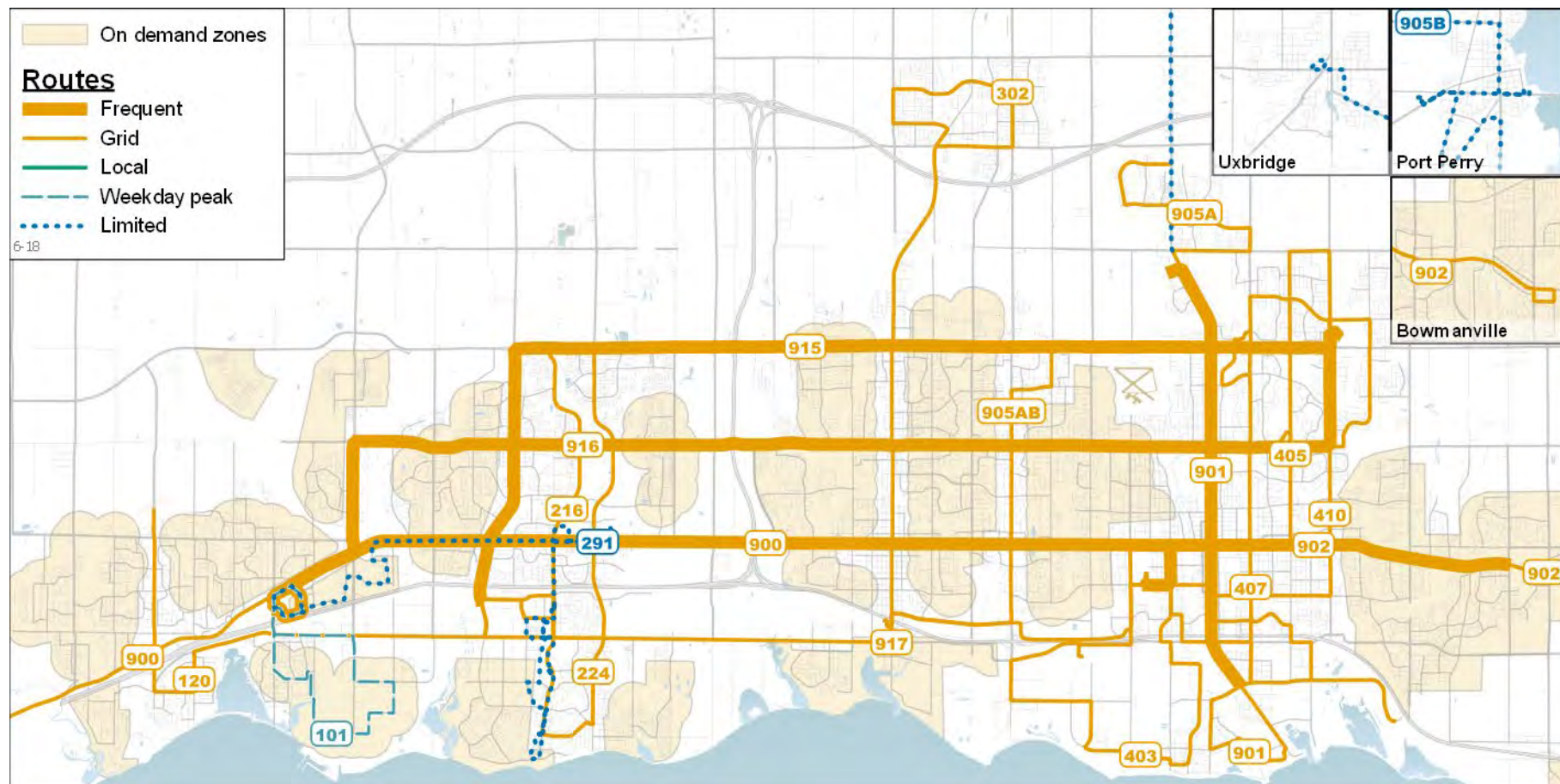
# Ridership Recovery Strategy Service Plan

- Objective of Ridership Recovery Strategy is to provide a phased plan to increase service levels with increasing ridership to pre-COVID levels
- The Service Plan provides a multi-phased approach to provide access to frequent, reliable and convenient transit service
  - Service
    - Service levels balanced to ridership demand
    - Access to public transit regardless of origin or destination within the Region
    - Frequent scheduled service on busy corridors
    - On Demand in low ridership zones where scheduled service not sustainable
  - Customer experience enhancements
    - New trip planning application supporting customer independence and real-time trip information
    - New On Demand system platform and application to improve spontaneity of travel and real-time information for customer
    - New PRESTO e-ticketing platform for additional contactless fare payment option

## Multi phase service plan

- 80 per cent of dwellings within 10 minute walk (800 metres) to frequent network or grid route
- 90 per cent of ridership currently travelling on Phase A frequent and grid network routes
- 10 per cent of current ridership in On Demand zones
- Similar to frequent scheduled services, On Demand
  - is available early morning to late night
  - Supports service frequency of 15 minutes
- Weekly monitoring of bus route demand to
  - address capacity needs on scheduled bus routes
  - launch scheduled bus routes in On Demand areas where demand meets threshold

# Phase A



# What is On Demand?

## **Common Features**

- Zones/areas where ridership is low
- Book trips day of travel as close as 15 min before (app or phone)
- Regular DRT fares
- DRT Promaster van or a contracted service provider sedan or van
- Travel stop to stop within a zone or connect to DRT bus routes and local GO Train Station and or Terminal (OC, Harmony Terminal, Pickering Parkway) when travelling out/into a zone

## **Urban**

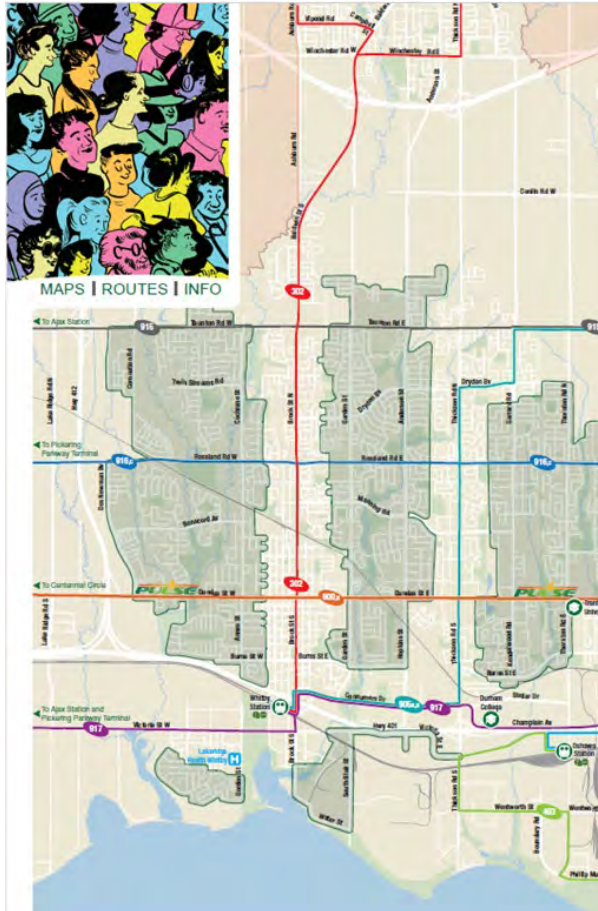
- Scheduled service to replace On Demand when ridership improves
- 5:00 to 24:00 weekdays, 7:00 to 24:00 Saturday, and 07:00 to 22:00 everywhere

## **Rural**

- 6:00 to 24:00 Monday to Friday, 7:00 to 21:00 Saturday and Sunday



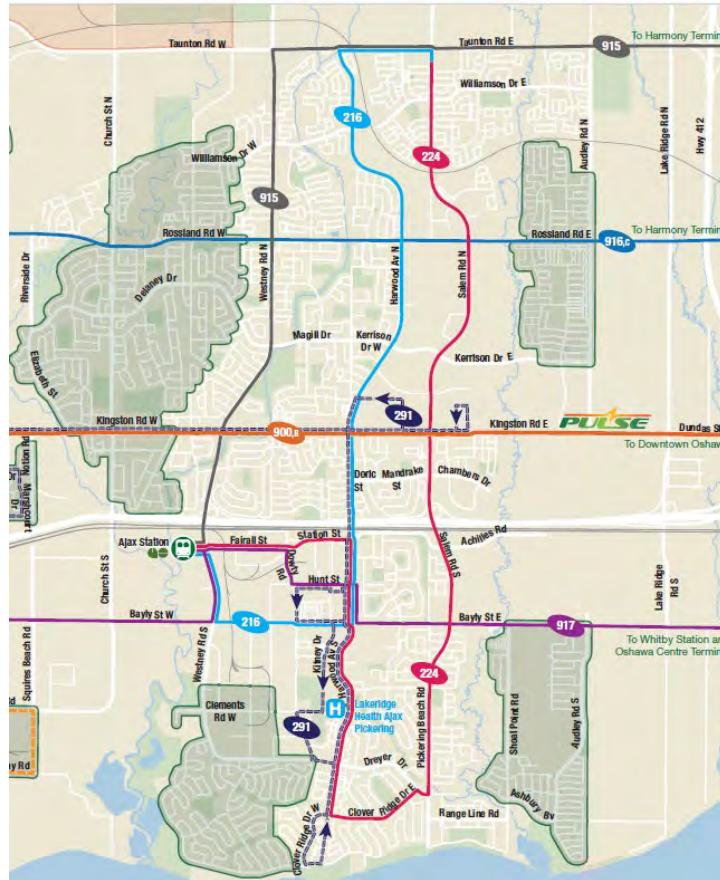
# Phase A – Town of Whitby



- On Demand in zones where current ridership is low and has not recovered.  
Boarding levels:
  - 24 per cent in On Demand area
  - 32 per cent entire municipality
- Available
  - 5:00 to 24:00 Monday to Friday
  - 7:00 to 24:00 Saturday
  - 7:00 to 22:00 Sunday
- Travel
  - Within the zone
  - Bus route within the zone
  - Whitby GO Station
- Expansion to new areas

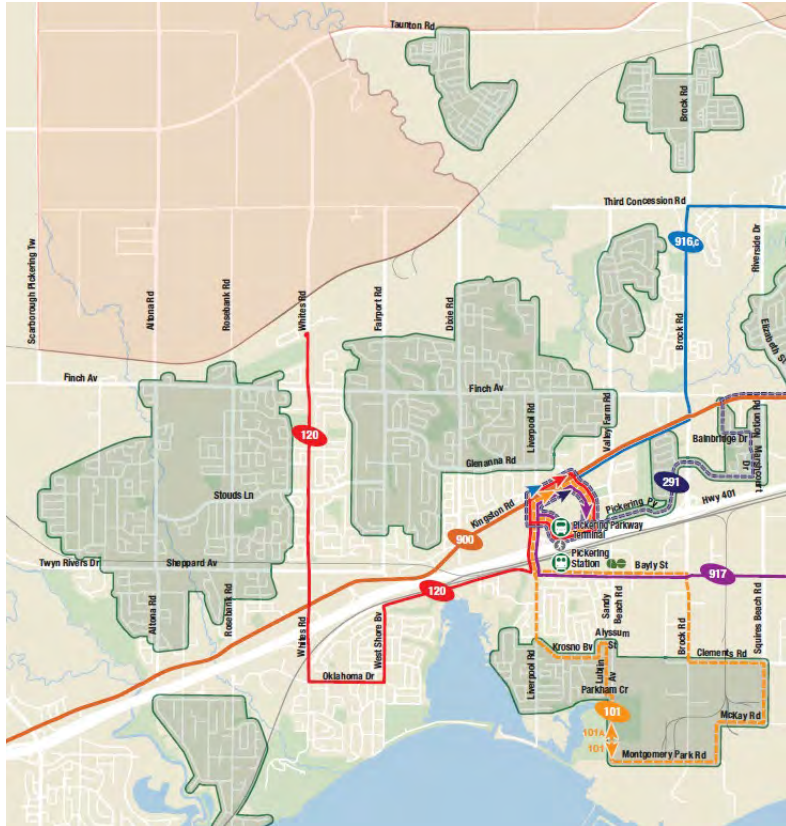


# Phase A – Town of Ajax



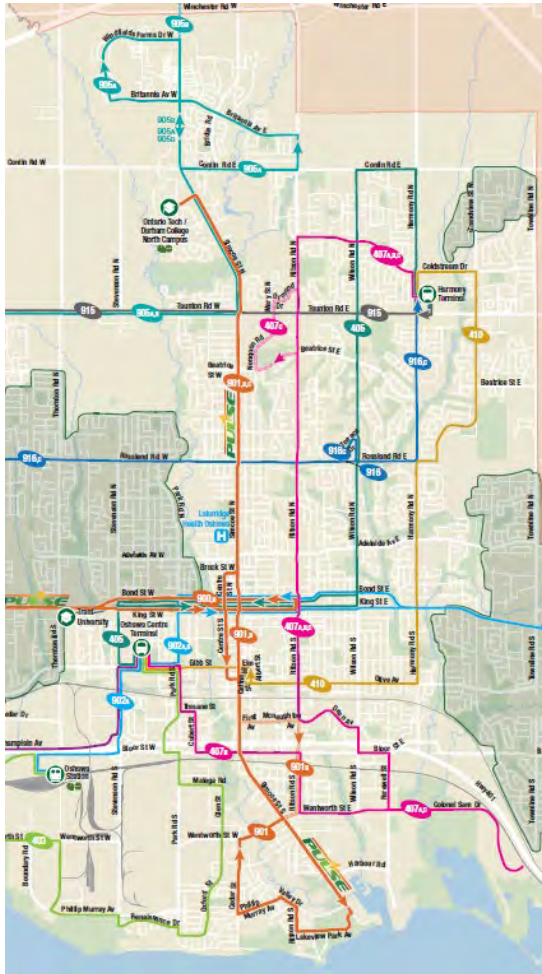
- On Demand in zones where current ridership is low and has not recovered. Boarding levels:
  - Four per cent in On Demand area
  - 25 per cent entire municipality
- Available
  - 5:00 to 24:00 Monday to Friday
  - 7:00 to 24:00 Saturday
  - 7:00 to 22:00 Sunday
- Travel
  - Within the zone
  - Bus route within the zone
  - Ajax GO Station

# Phase A – City of Pickering



- On Demand in zones where current ridership is low and has not recovered.  
Boarding levels:
  - 25 per cent in On Demand area
  - 28 per cent entire municipality
- Available
  - 5:00 to 24:00 Monday to Friday
  - 7:00 to 24:00 Saturday
  - 7:00 to 22:00 Sunday
- Travel
  - Within the zone
  - Bus route within the zone
  - Pickering GO Station
- Expansion to new areas

# Phase A – City of Oshawa



- On Demand in zones where current ridership is low and has not recovered. Boarding levels:
  - 19 per cent in On Demand area
  - 36 per cent entire municipality
- Available
  - 5:00 to 24:00 Monday to Friday
  - 7:00 to 24:00 Saturday
  - 7:00 to 22:00 Sunday
- Travel
  - Within the zone
  - Bus route within the zone
  - Oshawa Centre Terminal or Harmony Terminal
- Expansion to new areas

# Phase A – Municipality of Clarington

- On Demand in zones where current ridership is low and has not recovered. Boarding levels:

- 19 per cent in On Demand area
- 29 per cent entire municipality

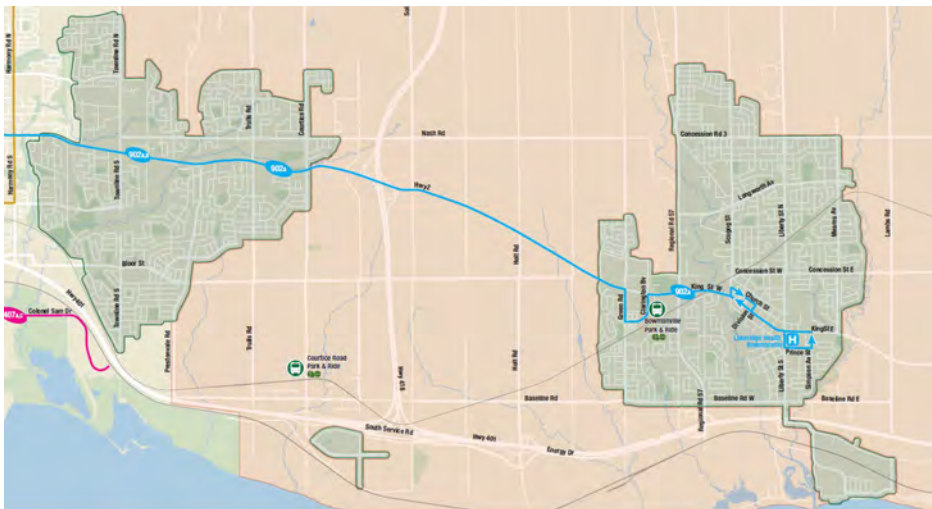
- Available

- 5:00 to 24:00 Monday to Friday
- 7:00 to 24:00 Saturday
- 7:00 to 22:00 Sunday

- Travel

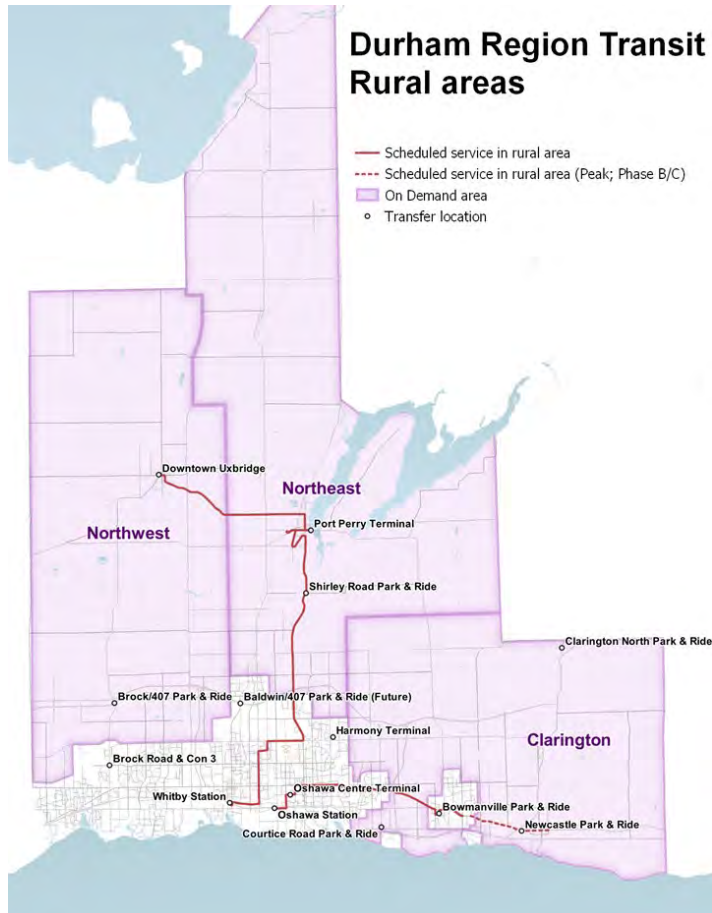
- Within the zone
- Bus route within the zone
- Courtice Road and Bowmanville Park and Rides

- Expansion to new areas





# Transit mobility in rural areas



## Implemented recommendations from Rural Review

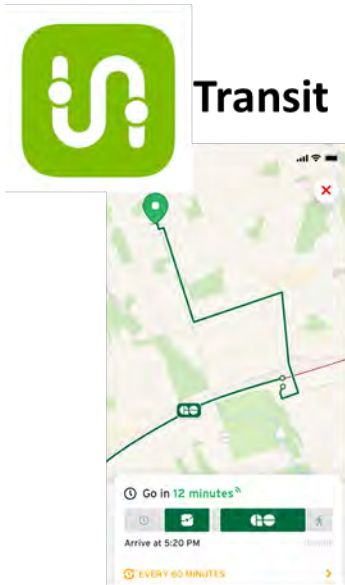
- New routes
  - 902 Bowmanville-Oshawa GO
  - 905 Uxbridge-Port Perry-Whitby GO
- On Demand available in all rural areas of Durham Region
- New systems platform
- Connecting to GO Transit and YRT
- Local On Demand in urban area of Uxbridge

# Trip planning, On Demand and e-ticketing applications

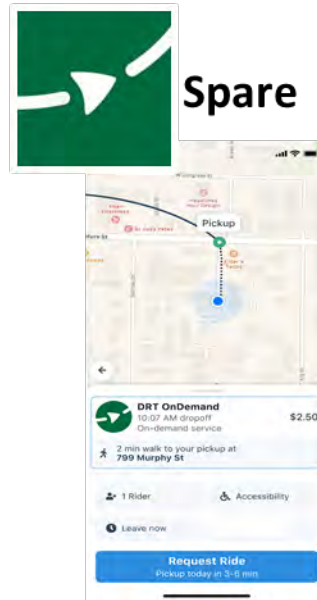
## Walkthrough

# Integrated customer experience

## Plan



## Book

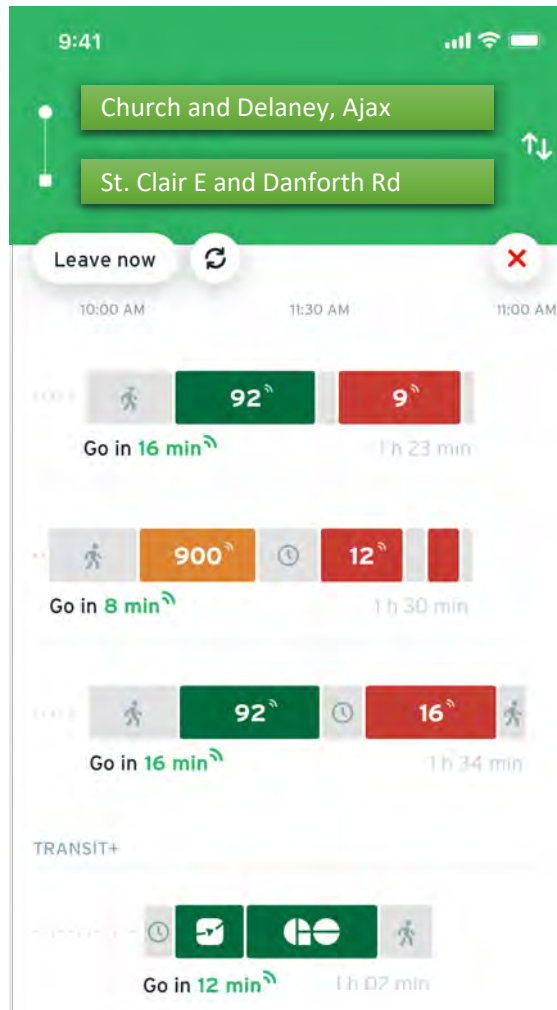


## Pay



# Trip planning

## Trip options



9:41

Church and Delaney, Ajax

St. Clair E and Danforth Rd

Leave now

10:00 AM 11:30 AM 11:00 AM

Go in 16 min 92° 9° 1h 23 min

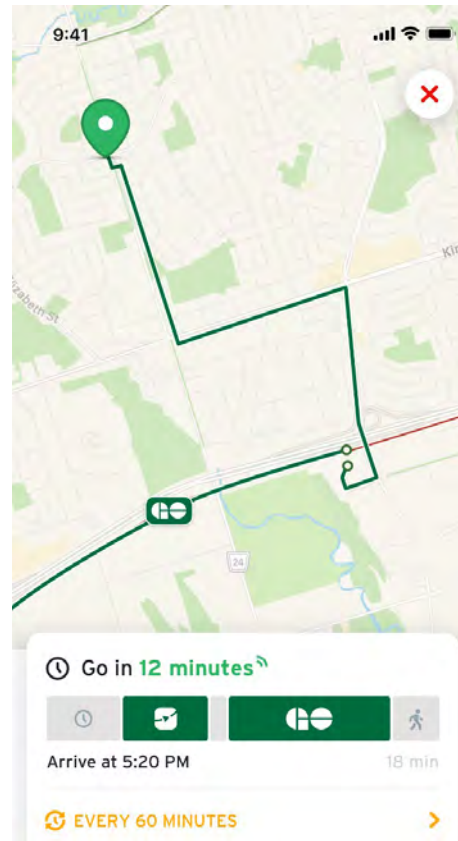
Go in 8 min 900° 12° 1h 30 min

Go in 16 min 92° 16° 1h 34 min

TRANSIT+

Go in 12 min 1h 07 min

## Trip map and details

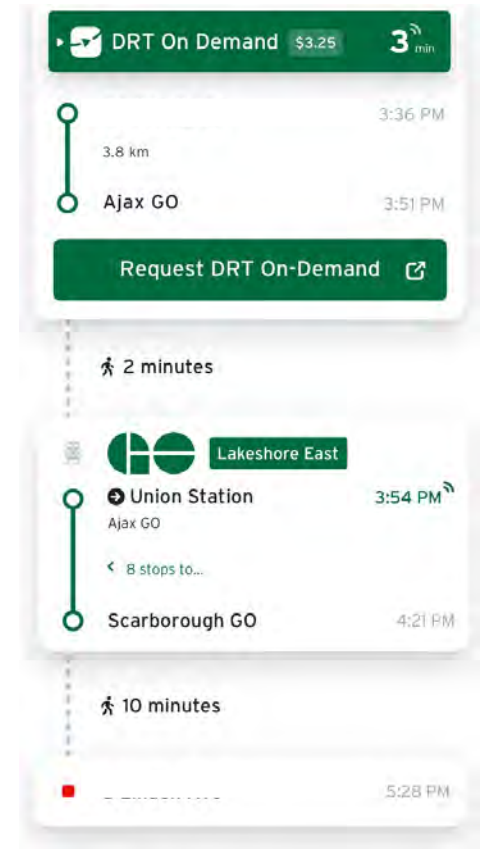


9:41

Go in 12 minutes

Arrive at 5:20 PM 18 min

EVERY 60 MINUTES



DRT On Demand \$3.25 3 min

3.8 km

Ajax GO 3:51 PM

Request DRT On-Demand

2 minutes

Lakeshore East

Union Station Ajax GO 3:54 PM

8 stops to...

Scarborough GO 4:21 PM

10 minutes

5:28 PM



# Two Contactless Fare Payment Options



- Frequent transit customers
- Users of multiple transit systems
- Users of DRT fare incentives like Y10 or TAP



- Customers travelling on DRT only
- Regular On Demand customers
- Less frequent DRT users
- Customers who forgot their PRESTO card

# Service change communications to date

## In the Media



## Social Media Statistics

23,407 impressions

3,366 engagement

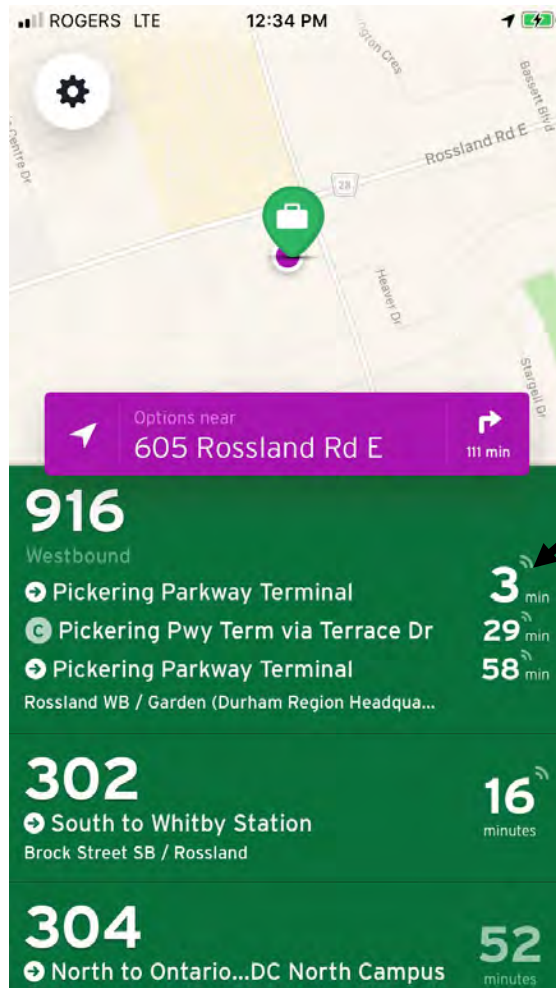
## Paid Ads

60,261 impressions

2,765 engagement

# Questions

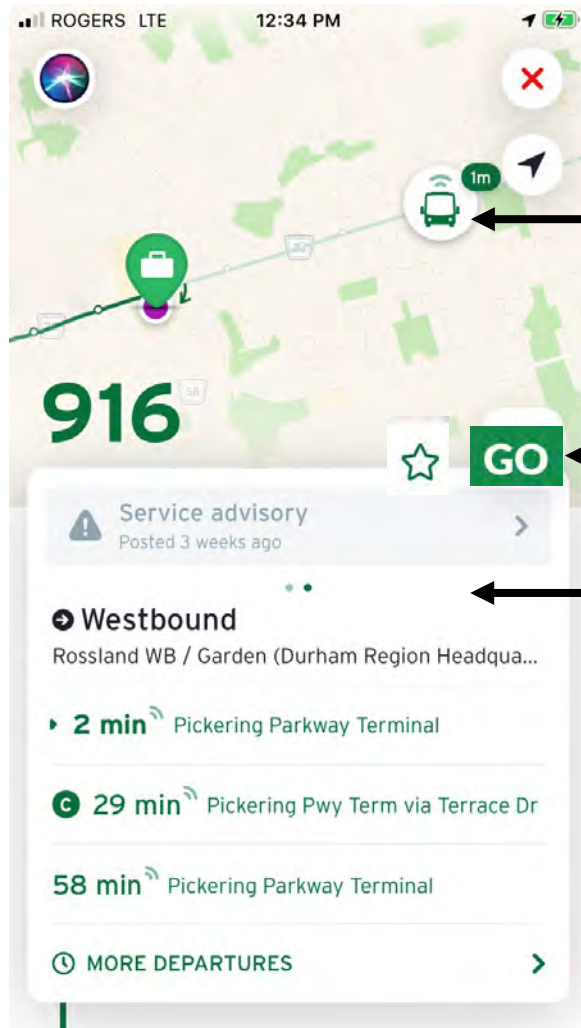
# Homepage – Nearby Routes



Real-time departure info (pulsing wave indicator).  
Upcoming and schedule departure times for this route.

Displays routes close in proximity to your location (as determined by GPS) and sorts by departure time.  
Swipe on any of the route tiles to get info on the opposite direction (ie 916 Pickering Parkway Terminal -> 916 Harmony Terminal).

# Real-time information

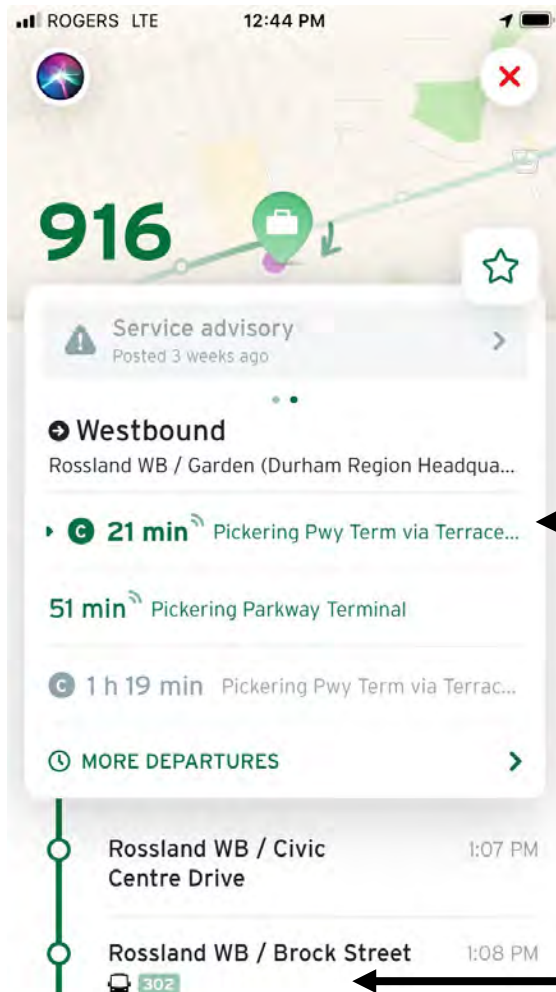


Real-time bus location

GO - travel companion

Stop level information  
Next departures and branch information

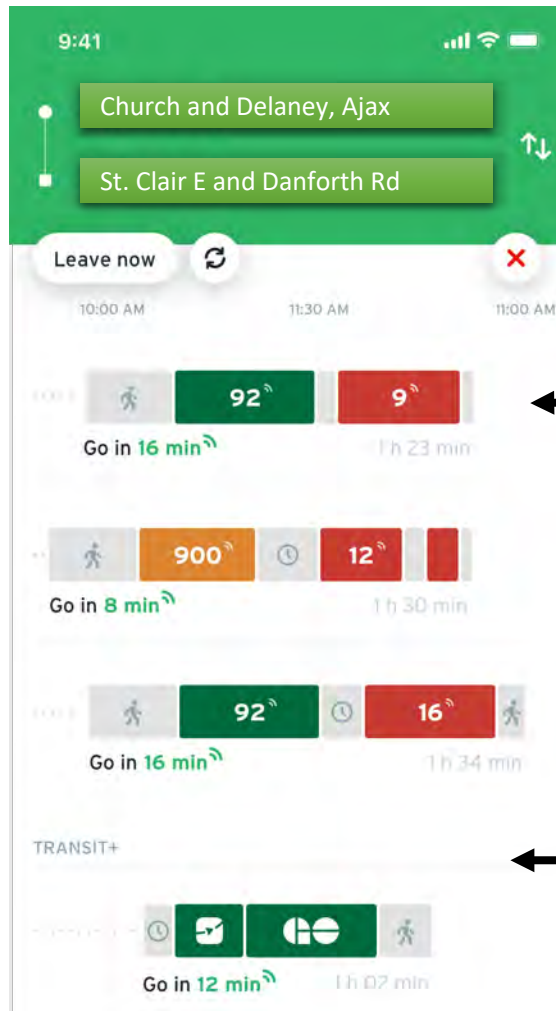
# Trip information



Selected departure

Connecting transit routes

# Trip planning – trip options



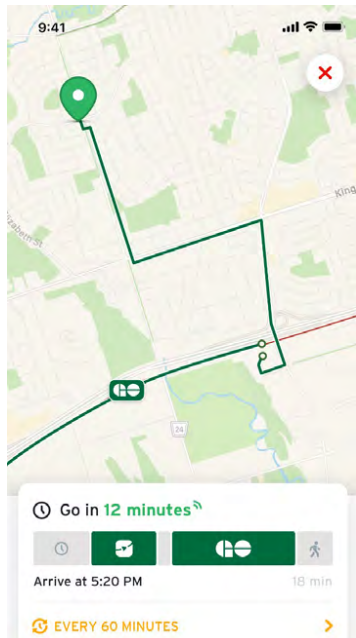
Scheduled service trip options

On Demand trip options

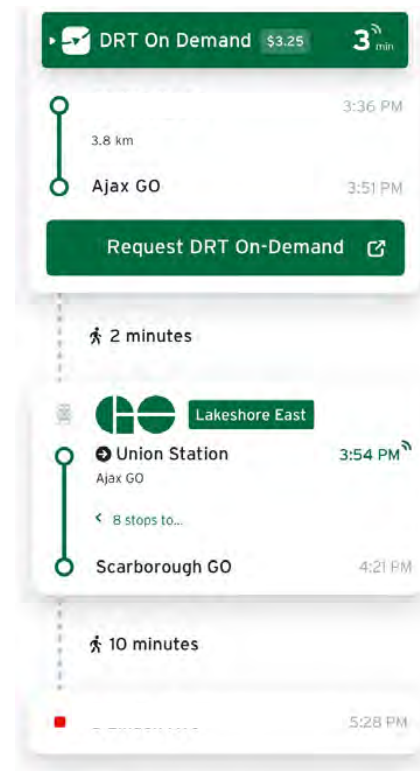


# Trip planning – trip results

## On Demand trip map

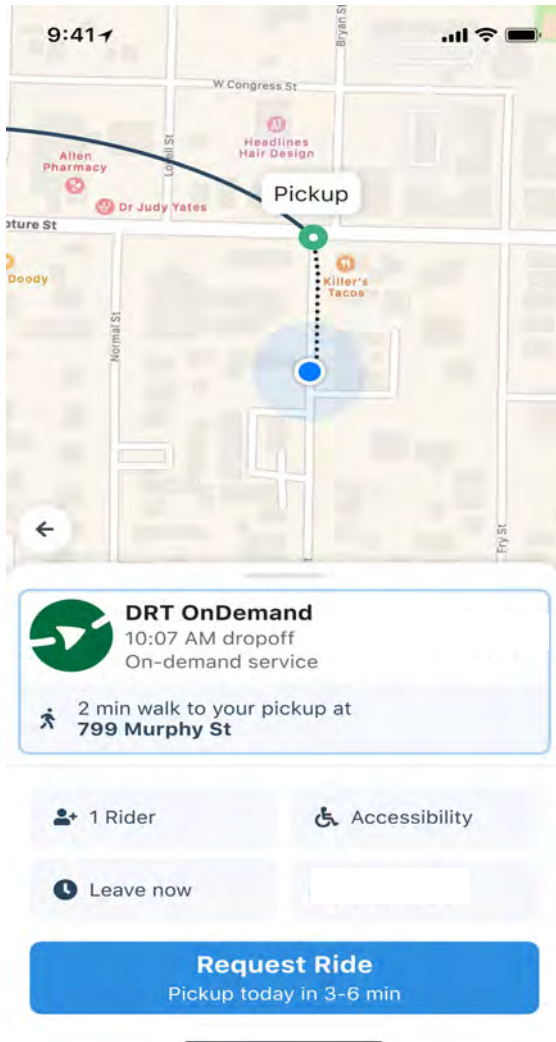


## On Demand trip details





# Trip planning – trip confirmation



On Demand trip detail

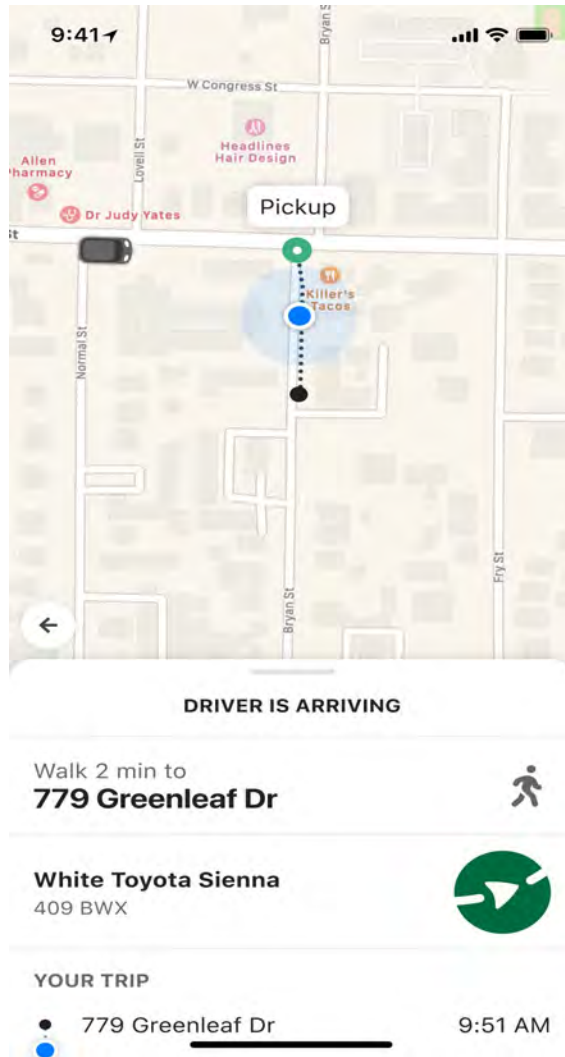


Customer trip information



Trip request

# Trip planning – vehicle arrival

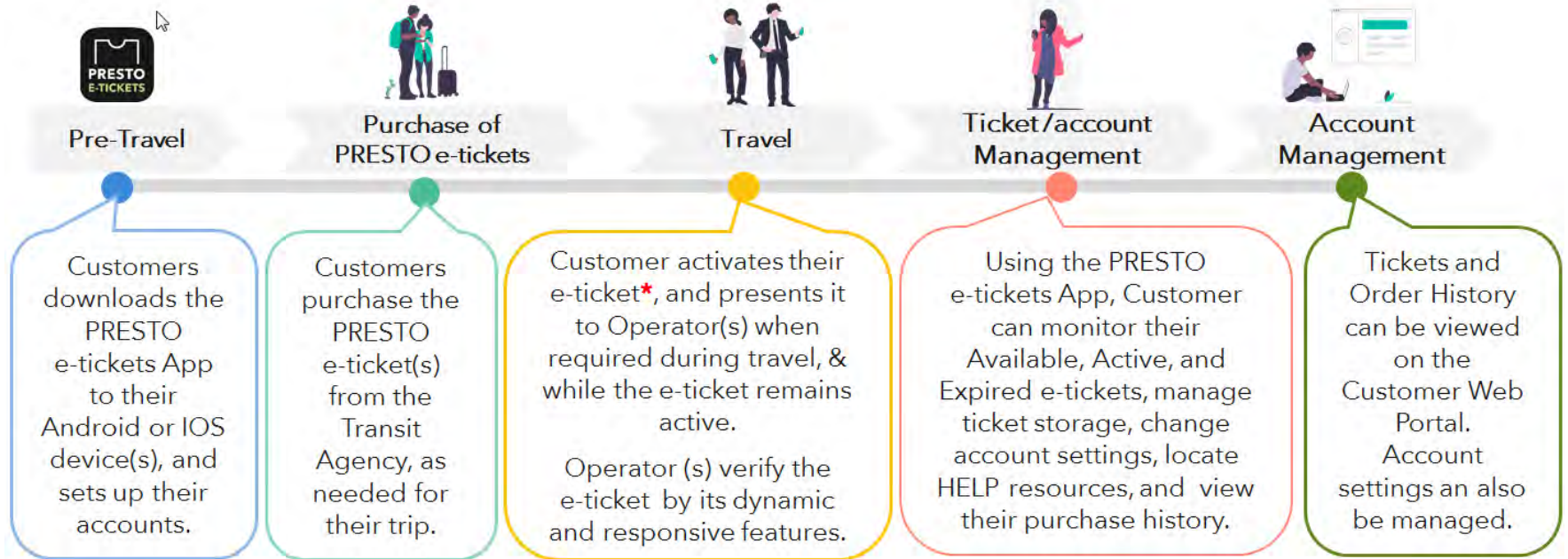


Navigation information



Vehicle information

# The PRESTO E-Ticket Customer Experience



# Public Works, Facilities & Parks Committee

**Lesley Donnelly**

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**From:** Brock Clerks  
**Subject:** FW: Beaverton Lions and possible Winter decorations

Date:	21/09/2020
Refer to:	Not Applicable
Meeting Date:	October 5, 2020
Action:	null
Notes:	COW - PW - Consent
Copies to:	Public Works

**From:** Ryan Lloyd <[ryanlloyd@hotmail.com](mailto:ryanlloyd@hotmail.com)>  
**Sent:** September 19, 2020 10:38 AM  
**To:** Public Works <[publicworks@townshipofbrock.ca](mailto:publicworks@townshipofbrock.ca)>  
**Subject:** Beaverton Lions and possible Winter decorations

Morning Paul,

In light of this year, it looks like Beaverton Lions will not be organizing a traditional Santa Claus Parade. Instead we were thinking of spending our budget on arrangements for the downtown. Not concrete just yet, but thinking wreaths, hanging baskets or other. Our hopes are to gather material needed and create uniform arrangements with other community members and have them placed similar to where downtown flowers are.

So.  
1. Would this be ok with the township? (Lions would cover all costs of arrangements)  
2. Would the township hang them? Be required to? After Remembrance Day (labour cost to township?) and remove in New Year?

Let me know what you think

Thanks Ryan Lloyd Beaverton Lions

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Date:	24/09/2020
Refer to:	Not Applicable
Meeting Date:	October 5, 2020
Action:	null
Notes:	COW - PWF - Consent
Copies to:	

## The Corporation of the Township of Brock

Public Works Department

Director of Public Works to Committee of the Whole

Report: 2020-PWF-09

Date: Monday, October 5, 2020

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### Subject

Tender No. B2020-PW-12 – One (1) Tandem Truck

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### Recommendation

That staff Report No. B2020-PWF-09 – be received for information and;

Further, that the Committee accept the bid submitted by Currie Truck Centre.

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### Attachments

N/A

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### Report

#### Background

The 2020 Capital Budget includes \$290,000.00 for the purchase of a new Tandem Axle Diesel Truck including an all-season combination dump/spreader body and snow-plow equipment.

The Tender was prepared by staff to purchase One (1) Tandem Axle Diesel Truck and distributed to 11 dealers and posted on the Township website.

The closing date of the Tender was 2:00 p.m., Thursday, September 10, 2020. The Treasurer and Director of Public Works opened the tenders shortly after this closing date.

Tender Summary		
No.	Bidder	Amount (Excluding HST)
1.	Currie Truck Centre	\$281,405.52
2.	Currie Truck Centre (Alternate Bid)	\$286,595.00
3.	Winslow Gerolamy Motors	\$291,120.00

The tenders were received and reviewed by the Director of Public Works and were found to generally satisfy the requirements set out in the tender documents. The bid provided by Currie Truck Centre for a Freightliner 1145D was the low bid and was determined to meet the tender requirements in both equipment included and overall serviceability.

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#### Consultation

N/A

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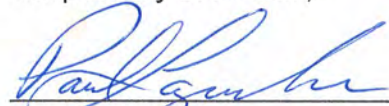
#### Financial

The 2020 Capital Budget Amount for this vehicle is \$290,000.00. The Currie Truck Centre tender is lower than this budget amount by \$8,594.48 excluding taxes.

The Treasurer has been consulted and concurs with the recommendation.

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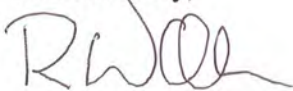
Respectfully submitted,




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Paul Lagrandeur  
Director of Public Works

Reviewed by,




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Ralph Walton  
Acting Chief Administrative Officer



**Lesley Donnelly**

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**From:** Joan Down [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** September 23, 2020 6:16 PM  
**To:** Brock General; Joan Down  
**Subject:** Sunderland Santa Claus Parade December 12, 2020  
**Attachments:** Complete Package for Township.pdf

Date:	24/09/2020
Refer to:	Not Applicable
Meeting Date:	October 5, 2020
Action:	null
Notes:	COW - PWFP - Consent
Copies to:	Public Works, Alicia, Craig

Good Afternoon,

Attention: Becky Jamieson

Please find attached, the request for the Sunderland Santa Claus Parade to be held December 12.

Included - is the parade route as well as our proof of insurance.

Please do not hesitate to call me with any questions or concerns.

Many thanks

Joan Down

Chairperson

Sunderland Santa Claus Parade Committee

Cell phone – 4 [REDACTED]

Home phone – [REDACTED] 2

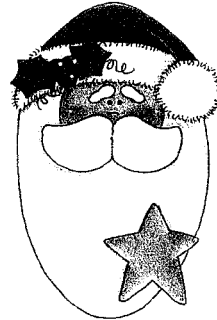
Email – [REDACTED]



September 23, 2020,

Township of Brock  
1 Cameron Street east  
Cannington, ON  
LOE 1E0

Attention: Becky Jamieson  
Municipal Clerk



Dear Becky,

This letter is a request to hold the Sunderland Santa Claus Parade on Saturday December 12, 2020 with a start time of 7:00 pm. (please see attached parade route). We, the Parade Committee, would also like to hold a free skate at the Brock Township Memorial Arena on the same night between the hours of 4:30 and 6:30 pm. We realize that this may be an unknown at this point but we could adjust as necessary i.e. have people sign up to control numbers etc.

We also wanted to let make you aware that we will be holding our annual Bottle Drive to raise monies for the parade on Saturday October 17, 2020. If circumstances are such that we can't have the parade, we would hold the monies for next year.

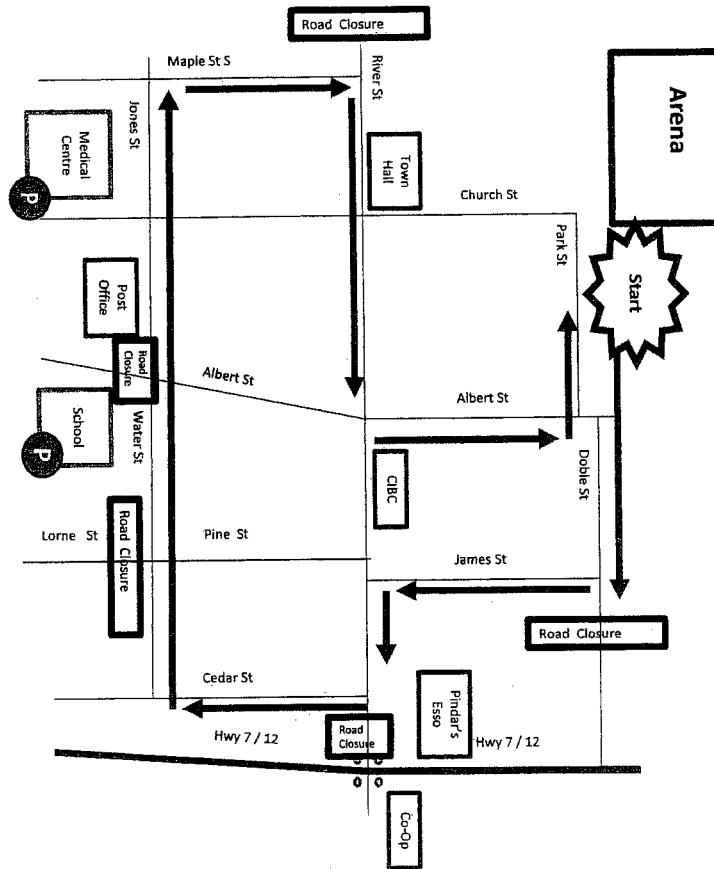
Should there be any problems with the date and times we have requested, please let me know as soon as possible.

I have also attached a copy of our insurance for your records.

Please confirm with me your approval of this arrangement.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Joan Down  
Chairperson, Sunderland Santa Claus Parade Committee  
310 Durham Rd 10,  
Sunderland, ON  
LOC 1H0  
Home email: [REDACTED]  
Cell phone: [REDACTED]  
Home phone: [REDACTED]





75 Main Street North, Princeton, ON N0J 1V0  
Phone: 800-265-4000  
Fax: 519-458-4366

CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE							
This certificate is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the certificate holder and imposes no liability on the insurer. This certificate does not amend, extend or alter after the coverage afforded by the policies below.							
INSURED'S FULL NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS				BROKER'S FULL NAME AND ADDRESS			
SUNDERLAND MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL S785 CONCESSION 6, RR 1, SUNDERLAND, ON L0C 1H0				Brown & Brathour Insurance Brokers Limited 131 River Street, Sunderland, ON L0C 1H0			
COVERAGES							
This is to certify that the policies of insurance listed below have been issued to the insured named above for the policy period indicated notwithstanding any requirement, term or condition of any contract or other document with respect to which this certificate may be issued or may pertain. The insurance afforded by the policies described herein is subject to all terms, exclusions and conditions of such policies.							
LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS							
TYPE OF INSURANCE	COVERAGE BASIS	LIMIT TYPE	LIMIT OF LIABILITY	DEDUCTIBLE	INSURANCE COMPANY AND POLICY NUMBER, Subscribing Companies as	EFFECTIVE DATE	EXPIRY DATE
Liability		General Aggregate	Not Applicable	1,000			
Blanket Contractual	Occurrence	Occurrence	Included	1,000	CP98205A	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Bodily Injury and Property Damage	Occurrence	Occurrence	5,000,000	1,000	CP98205A	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Cross Liability	Occurrence	Occurrence	Included	1,000	CP98205A	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Employers Liability	Occurrence	Occurrence	Included	1,000	CP98205A	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Malpractice Liability	Occurrence	Aggregate	Not Insured	NIL	CP98205A	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Malpractice Liability	Occurrence	Occurrence	Not Insured	NIL	CP98205A	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Medical Payments (Any One Person)	Occurrence	Occurrence	10,000	1,000	CP98205A	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Personal Injury	Occurrence	Occurrence	Included	1,000	CP98205A	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Products and/or Completed Operations	Occurrence	Occurrence	Included	1,000	CP98205A	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Tenants Legal Liability	Occurrence	Occurrence	Included	1,000	CP98205A	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Non-Owned Automobile							
Hired Automobile (SEF 94)	Occurrence	Occurrence	50,000	500	CP98205C	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
Non-Owned Automobile	Occurrence	Occurrence	2,000,000	NIL	CP98205C	May 11, 2020	May 11, 2021
ADDITIONAL INSURED NAME AND ADDRESS				DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS/ LOCATIONS/ AUTOMOBILES/ SPECIAL ITEMS			
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK 1 CAMERON STREET EAST, CANNINGTON, ON L0E 1E0				Included as an Additional Insured(s) as per agreement(s) with the Named Insured With respect to The Sunderland Santa Claus Parade on December 12th, 2020			
CERTIFICATE HOLDER - NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS				CANCELLATION			
THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK 1 CAMERON STREET EAST, CANNINGTON, ON L0E 1E0				Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, the issuing company will endeavour to mail written notice to the certificate holder named on the left, but failure to mail such notice shall impose no obligation or liability of any kind upon the company, its brokers or representatives.			
SUBSCRIBING COMPANIES ON BEHALF OF FRANK COWAN COMPANY LIMITED, AS MANAGING GENERAL AGENT:			A.M. BEST	Cancellation Notice: 30 days			
The Guarantee Company of North America			"A"	 Authorized Representative Larry Ryan		Date September 22, 2020	
Temple Insurance Company			"A+"				
Underwriting at Lloyd's of London			"A"				
INSURED'S FULL NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS							
SUNDERLAND MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL S785 CONCESSION 6, RR 1, SUNDERLAND, ON L0C 1H0							



Date:	29/09/2020
Refer to:	Not Applicable
Meeting Date:	October 5, 2020
Action:	null
Notes:	COW - PWFP - Consent
Copies to:	

## The Corporation of the Township of Brock

Public Works Department

Director of Public Works to Committee of the Whole

Report: 2020-PWF-10

Date: Monday, October 5, 2020

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### Subject

Tender No. B2020-PW-11 – Grader Tender

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### Recommendation

That staff Report No. B2020-PWF-10 – be received for information and;

Further, that the Committee accept the bid submitted by Brandt Tractor Ltd. for the supply of a new grader.

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### Attachments

N/A

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### Report

#### Background

The 2019 Capital Budget includes \$275,000.00 for the purchase of a new grader and \$390,000.00 for the purchase of a new excavator.

The 2020 tender was prepared by staff to purchase a new grader and distributed to four (4) dealers and posted on the Township website.

The closing date of the Tender was 2:00 p.m., Thursday, September 10, 2020. The Treasurer and Director of Public Works opened the tenders shortly after this closing date.

The tender results are itemized in the table below:

Tender Summary		
<u>No.</u>	<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u> (Excluding HST)
1.	Brandt Tractor Ltd.	\$525,000.00
2.	Toromont CAT	\$537,902.01

The tenders were received and reviewed by the Director of Public Works and were found to satisfy the requirements set out in the tender documents. The bid provided by Brandt Tractor Ltd. Was the low bid and was determined to meet the tender requirements in both equipment included and overall serviceability.

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#### Consultation

N/A

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#### Financial

The 2019 Capital Budget amount of \$275,000.00 combined with the 2019 Capital Budget amount of \$390,000.00 for a new excavator totaling \$665,000.00 would allow for the purchase of the new 872 GP 2020 John Deere grader.

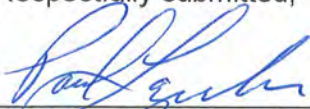
The Brandt Tractor price of \$525,000.00 for the 872 GP John Deere grader is an accurate expectation for a product that meets all our requirements.

Previous staff's inclusion of a new excavator to our fleet was premature as expectations for the new excavator were to provide internal equipment for ditching purposes as well as minimal storm sewer work. The municipality's 590 rubber tire backhoe has sufficiently assisted us with minor ditching projects, culvert installations and minimal storm sewer work. Our larger ditching projects done by external equipment has been successful productively and financially.

The Treasurer has been consulted and concurs with the recommendation.

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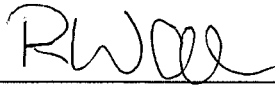
Respectfully submitted,




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Paul Lagrandeur  
Director of Public Works

Reviewed by,

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Ralph Walton  
Acting Chief Administrative Officer

# Building, Planning & Economic Development Committee



September 14, 2020

Date:	22/09/2020
Refer to:	Not Applicable
Meeting Date:	October 5, 2020
Action:	null
Notes:	COW - BPED - Consent
Copies to:	

**The Regional  
Municipality  
of Durham**

Planning and Economic  
Development Department

Planning Division

605 Rossland Rd. E.  
Level 4  
PO Box 623  
Whitby, ON L1N 6A3  
Canada

905-668-7711  
1-800-372-1102  
Fax: 905-666-6208  
planning@durham.ca

durham.ca

**Brian Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP**  
Commissioner of Planning and  
Economic Development

Ms. Becky Jamieson  
Clerk  
Township of Brock  
1 Cameron Street E.  
Cannington, ON L0E 1E0

**Re: 2019 Annual Building Activity Review**

Mr. Lamb, enclosed for your information is a copy of Commissioner's Report #2020-INFO-82 that was provided to Regional Councillors on September 4, 2020.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss the report, please contact Aneesah Luqman, Project Planner, at 905-668-7711 ext. 2546.

Yours truly,

*Gary Muller*

Gary Muller, MCIP, RPP  
Director of Planning

GM/mr

Encl.





If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2564



## The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

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From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development  
Report: #2020-INFO-82  
Date: September 4, 2020

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**Subject:**

2019 Annual Building Activity Review, File: D03-02

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**Recommendation:**

Receive for information.

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**Report:**

**1. Purpose**

- 1.1 This report summarizes the key findings of the 2019 Annual Building Activity Review. This annual report includes building permit and construction activity for Durham Region and the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) for 2019, with comparisons to 2018.

**2. Background**

- 2.1 The Planning and Economic Development Department conducts on-going monitoring activities to assess the effectiveness of the Durham Regional Official Plan (ROP) and other Regional policies. These monitoring activities assist in identifying emerging issues and trends.
- 2.2 Building activity is monitored as an indicator of Regional housing and employment activity, the level of local investment, and economic performance. This report provides a comprehensive analysis of construction activity including residential building activity from the start of the process (i.e. issuance of building permit), to the construction and ultimate sale of new residential units into the market. It also provides an analysis of non-residential construction activity. The report concludes with a comparison of Durham's building activity with GTHA municipalities.

- 2.3 The 2019 Annual Building Activity Report (Attachment 1) presents key findings in both the residential and non-residential sectors along with trends, forecasts, and housing market information. Attachment 2 to this report provides the background data and analysis used to produce the annual report.

### 3. Key Highlights

The following summarizes key highlights from the 2019 Annual Building Activity Review:

#### **Durham**

- The total value of building permits issued in Durham decreased by 4.1% from \$2.06 billion in 2018, to \$1.97 billion in 2019.
- Residential building permit value decreased by 27.3% from \$1.48 billion in 2018, to \$1.08 billion in 2019.
- The total number of permits issued for new residential units in Durham decreased 33.8% from 4,729 units in 2018, to 3,130 units in 2019.
- A total of 55.4% of new residential units in Durham were in multiple residential forms including row houses and apartments.
- There was a 41.4% decrease in the number of housing starts from 4,205 in 2018 to 2,659 in 2019. At the same time, completions decreased by 11.7% from 3,590 to 3,171.
- The average cost of a new single-detached dwelling in Durham Region increased 9.5% from \$739,821 in 2018 to \$810,424 in 2019. However, it may be noted that the cost of a new single-detached dwelling in Durham is 39.1% below the GTHA average.
- The average price of a resale dwelling (all dwelling types) in Durham increased 2.9% from \$593,902 in 2018, to \$611,342 in 2019.
- The value of non-residential building permits increased by 54.9% from \$581 million in 2018, to \$899.3 million in 2019.
- Major non-residential construction projects over \$10 million initiated in 2019 included:

- Commercial development related to the Durham Live project in Pickering (combined \$501.7 million);
- Three new industrial buildings in Oshawa combined \$82.9 million);
- A new post-secondary building as part of Ontario Tech University in Oshawa (\$38.7 million);
- Two new industrial buildings in Whitby (combined \$25.3 million);
- A new institutional building as part of Durham College in Whitby (\$13.9 million);
- A new catholic school in Whitby (\$11.1 million); and
- An expansion to a medical clinic on the property of the Uxbridge Cottage Hospital (\$10.5 million).

#### **4. Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area**

- The total value of building permits issued (residential and non-residential) in the GTHA decreased by 0.7% from \$21.8 billion in 2018, to \$21.7 billion in 2019.
- In 2019 there were 42,845 building permits issued for new residential units in the GTHA, compared to 47,425 units in 2018 (-9.7%).
- The total value of residential building permits in the GTHA declined by 8.1% from \$13.9 billion in 2018 to \$12.7 billion in 2019.
- The value of non-residential building permits issued in the GTHA increased from \$7.9 billion in 2018, to \$8.9 billion in in 2019.

#### **5. Conclusion**

- 5.1 In 2019, Durham's residential sector experienced a decrease in the value of building permits (-27.3%) as well as a decrease in the number of permits for new residential units (-33.8%). A similar trend was seen among other GTHA municipalities.
- 5.2 Non-residential building permit value increased (54.9%) compared to 2018, particularly in the commercial sector.
- 5.3 CMHC notes that "Housing market activity will rebound over the outlook period as economic and demographic fundamentals lend strong support for housing

demand”.<sup>1</sup> Durham’s residential sector has experienced positive growth in the first half of 2020. Regional staff will continue to monitor the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on building activity over the course of the year.

5.4 A copy of this report will be forwarded to the area municipalities for information.

**6. Attachments**

Attachment #1: 2019 Annual Building Activity Review

Attachment #2: Background Data and Analysis

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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Brian Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP  
Commissioner of Planning and  
Economic Development

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<sup>1</sup> CMHC Housing Market Outlook – Greater Toronto Area, Fall 2019



A white rectangular tag with the year '2019' in bold black text, hanging from a crane hook. The background of the entire page is a blue-toned illustration of a construction site with a large crane and several buildings under construction.

**2019**

# **ANNUAL BUILDING ACTIVITY REVIEW**



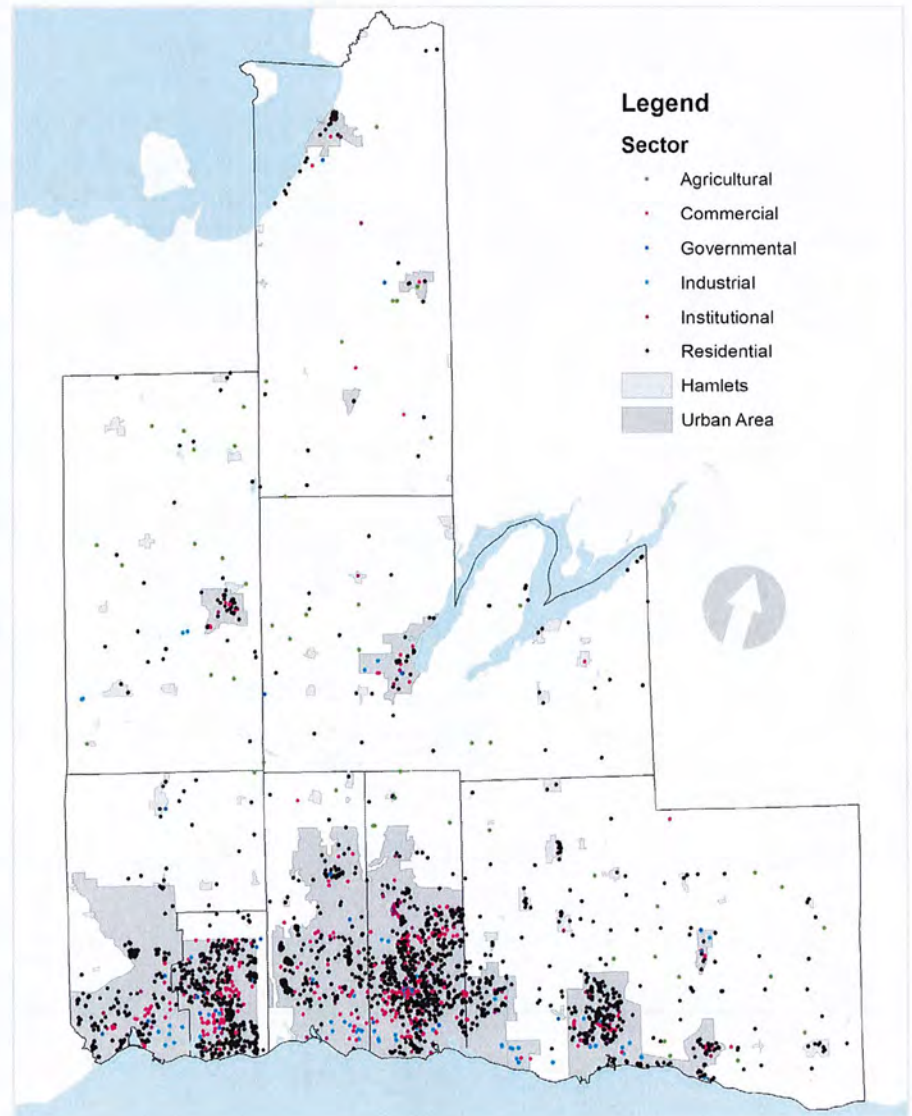
In 2019, Durham's residential sector experienced a decrease in the value of building permits (-29.5%) as well as a decrease in the number of permits for new residential units (-33.8%) compared to 2018. Other Regions within the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) have also experienced a similar trend in 2019.

The value of non-residential building permits increased in Durham (+54.9%) compared to 2018.

Durham has experienced positive growth in the first half of 2020. Regional staff will be monitoring the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on building activity over the course of the year.

The Planning and Economic Development Department conducts ongoing monitoring activities to assess the effectiveness of the Durham Regional Official Plan and other Regional policies.

Building activity is also an indicator of regional housing and employment activity, the level of local investment and economic performance.





# 2019 HIGHLIGHTS



**\$1,974,249,367** <sup>-4.1%</sup>

**Total value** of building permits issued



**\$899,258,182** <sup>+54.9%</sup>

Total value of non-residential permits



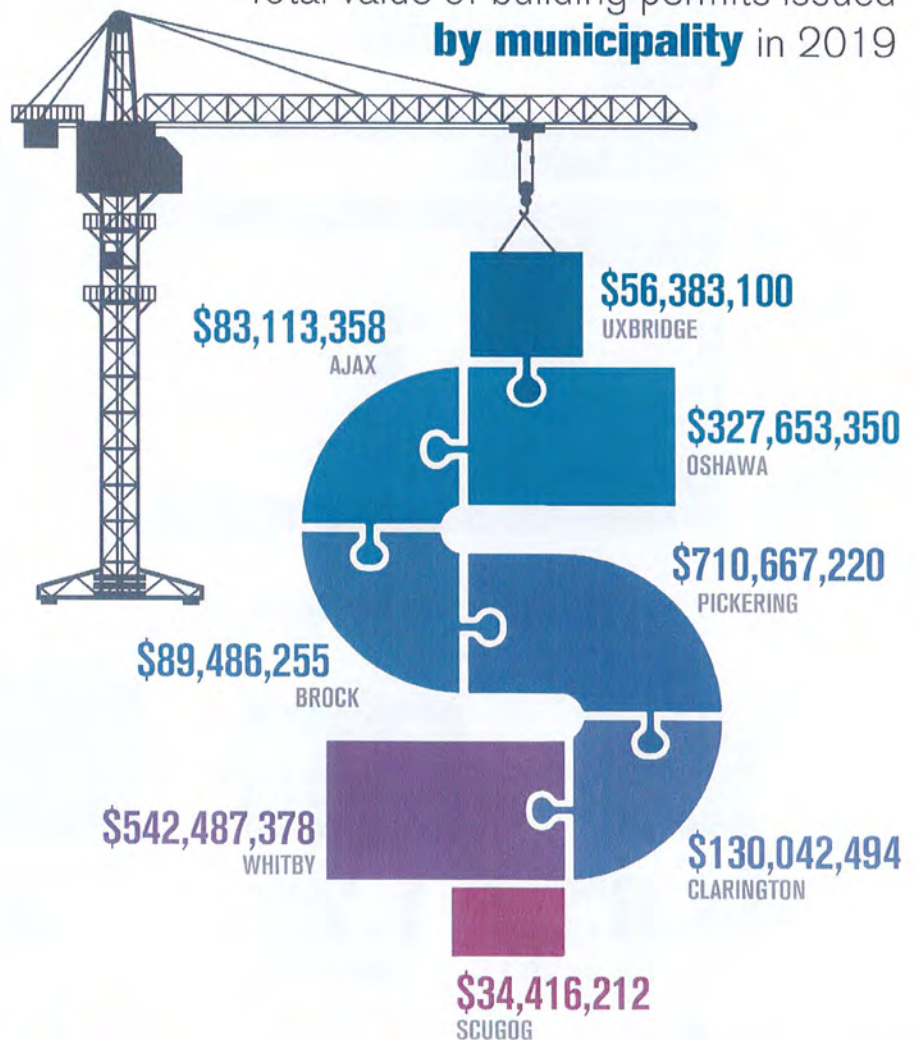
**\$1,074,991,185** <sup>-27.3%</sup>

Total value of residential permits issued



Permits issued for new residential units **3,130** <sup>-33.8%</sup>

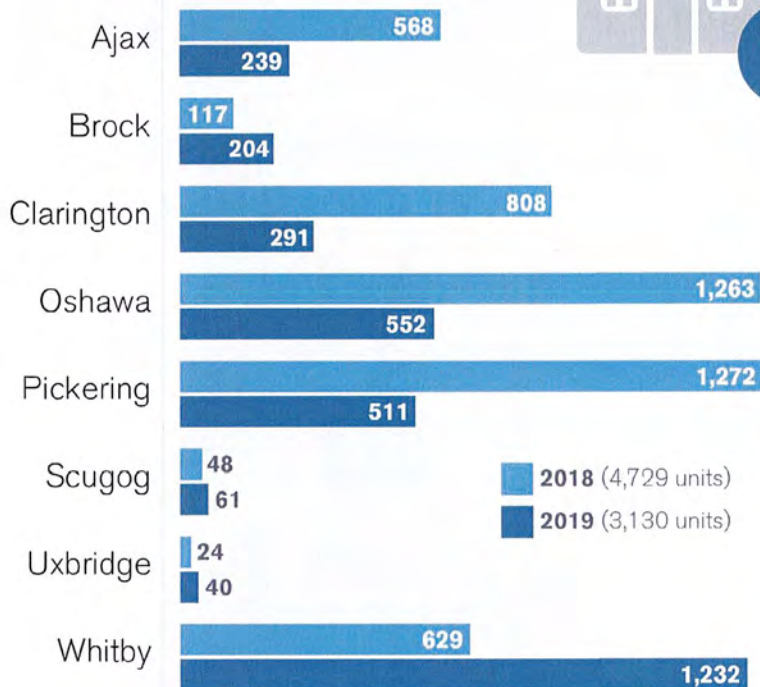
Total value of building permits issued  
**by municipality** in 2019





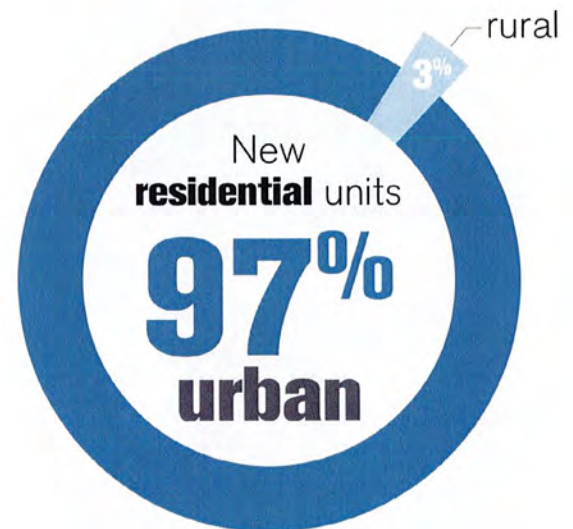
# RESIDENTIAL

## New residential units by municipality



## \$1.07 billion

of **residential investment**  
in Durham last year



## New residential units by type



**44.6%** single  
detached  
house



**1.7%** semi  
detached  
house



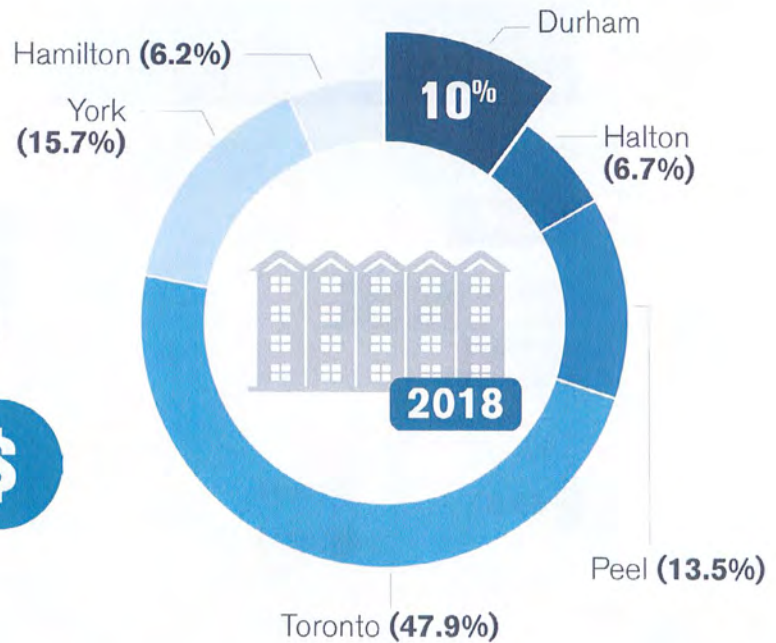
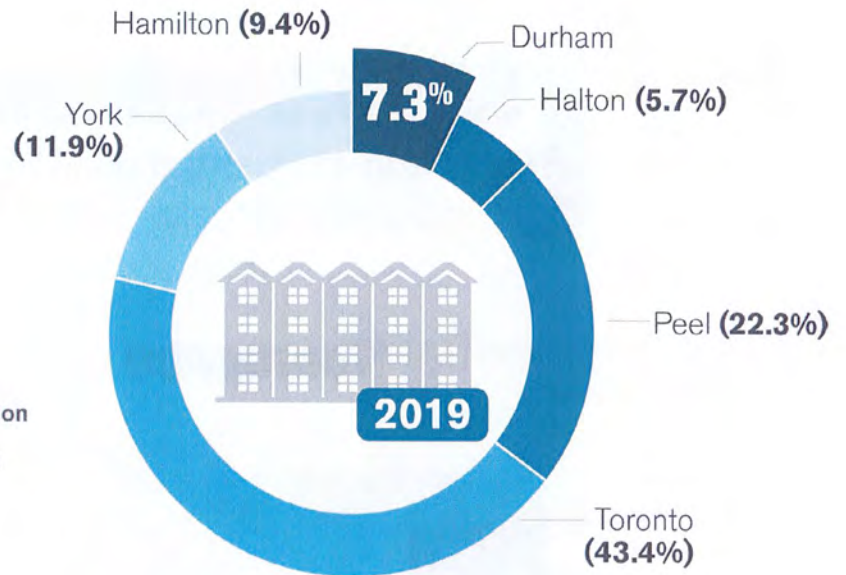
**32%** town  
house



**21.8%**  
apartment





New residential units **by region**Residential permit value **by region**

**\$12.7 billion**  
of residential investment  
in the GTHA last year





# NON-RESIDENTIAL



**\$899.3 million**

**\$** of **non-residential investment** in Durham last year

Non-residential investment **by sector**



**68.5%**  
commercial +211%

Non-residential **floorspace**  
(‘000 square feet)



**17.5%**  
industrial +0.8%



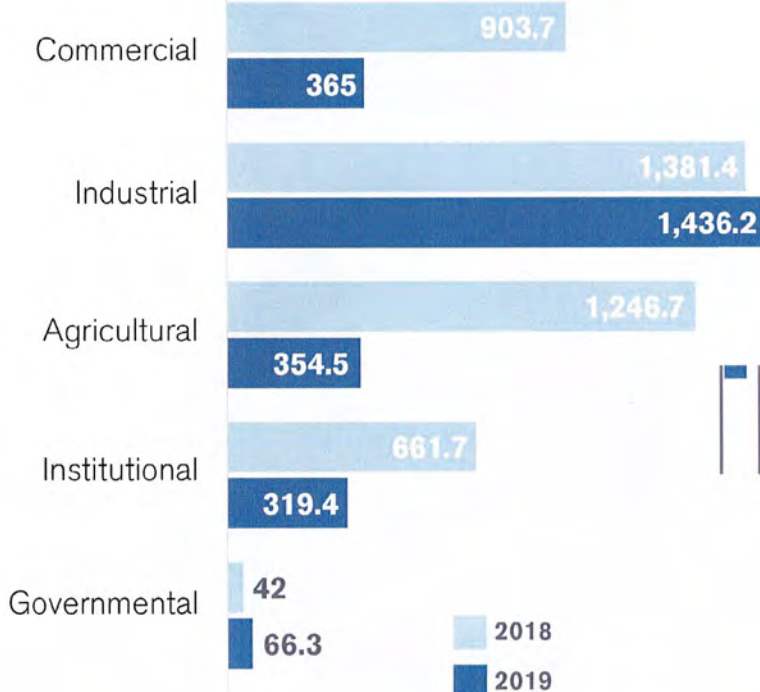
**11.4%**  
institutional -50.9%



**1.6%**  
governmental -42.3%



**1.1%**  
agricultural -51.3%

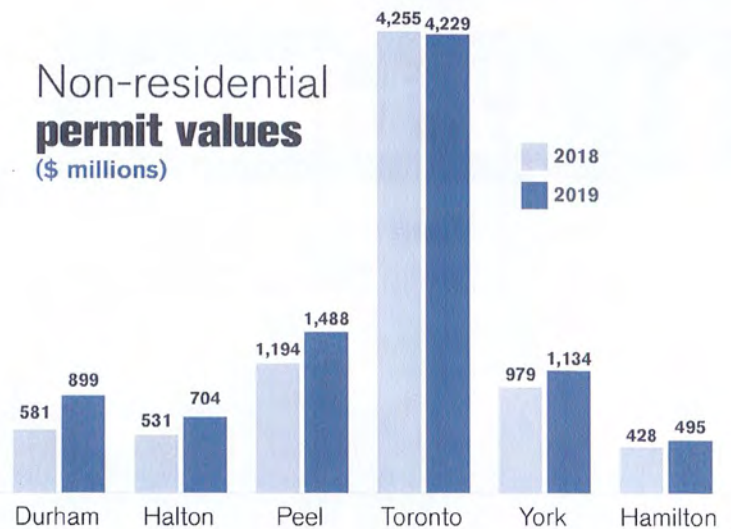




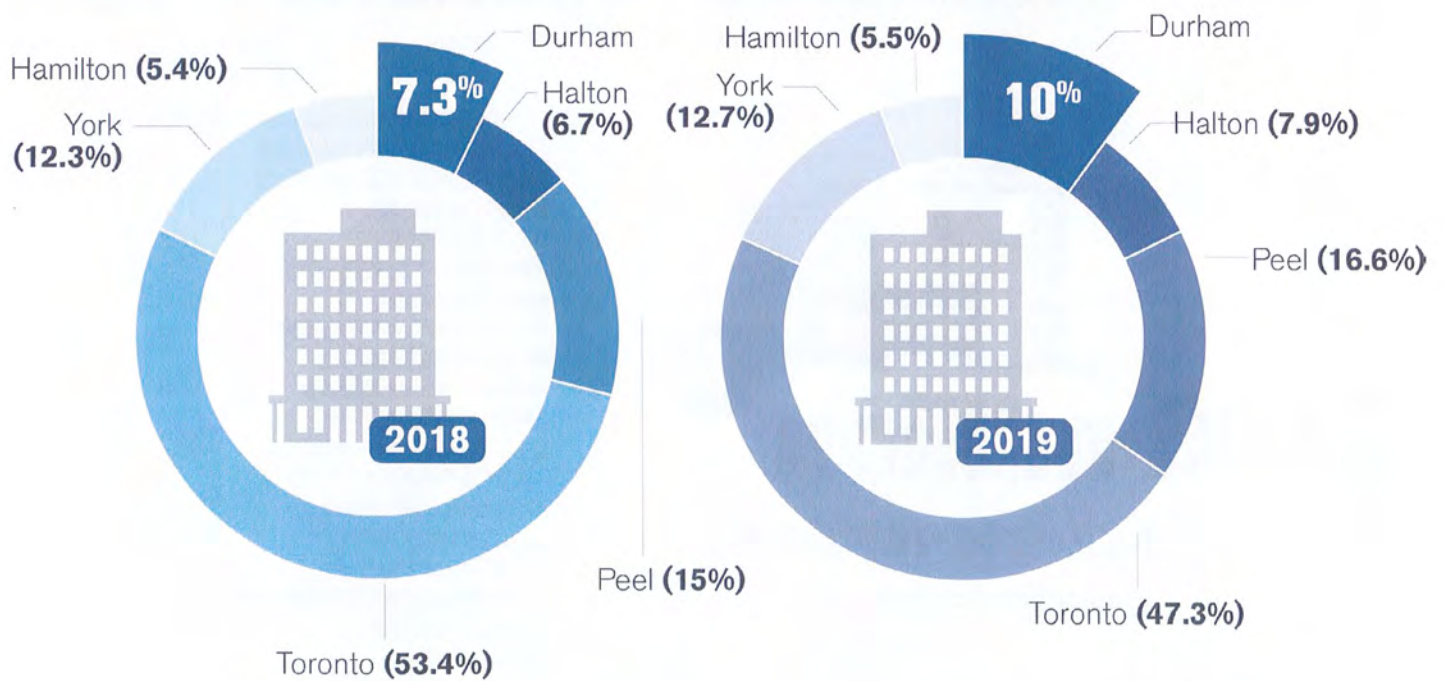


**\$8.9 billion** of  
non-residential investment  
in the GTHA last year

### Non-residential permit values (\$ millions)



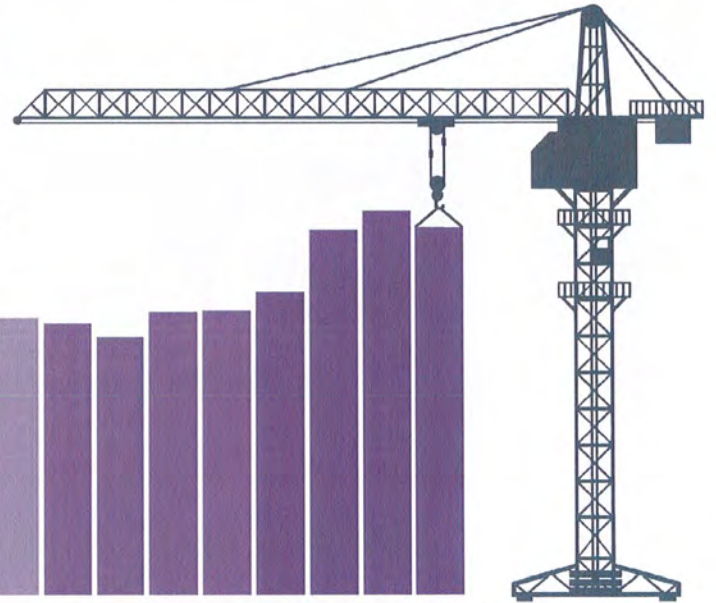
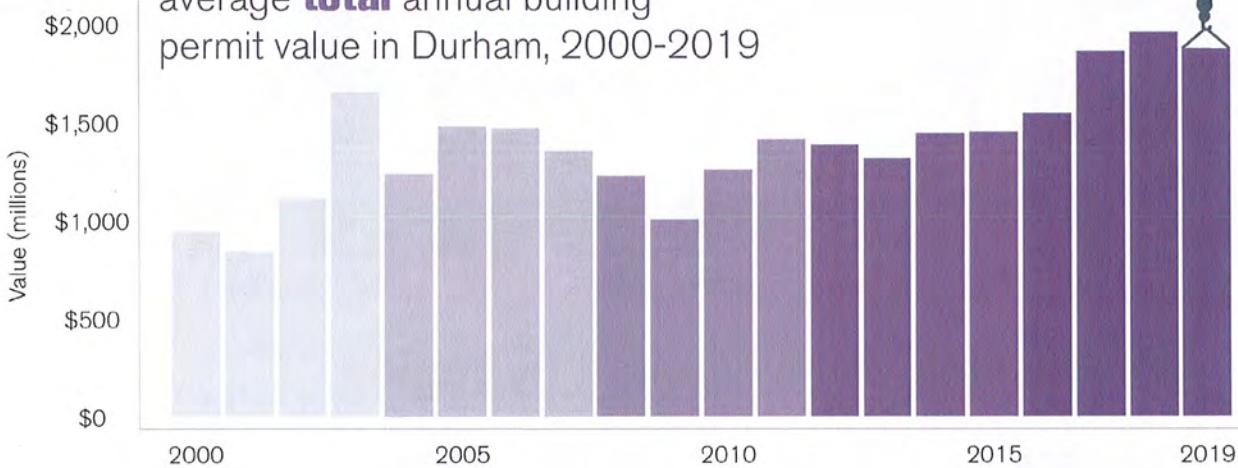
### Non-residential investment **by region**





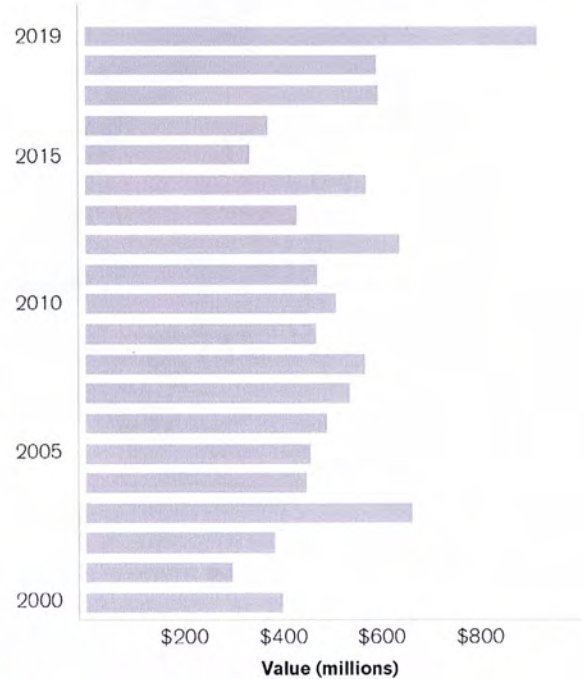
# \$1.47 billion

average **total** annual building permit value in Durham, 2000-2019



# \$496 million

average **non-residential** investment in Durham  
2000-2019





# TRENDS



## \$970.6 million

average **residential** investment  
in Durham, 2000-2019



## 4,034



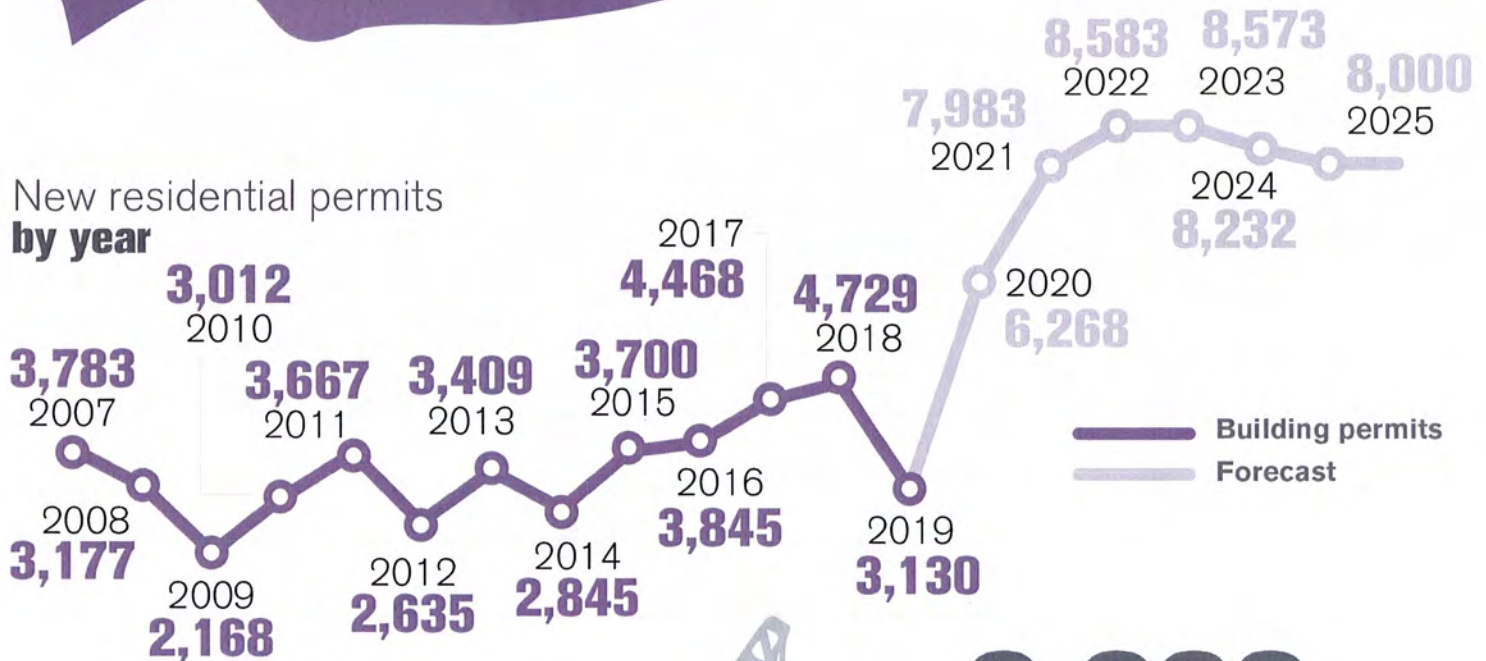
Average **new residential units** approved  
for construction, 2000-2019



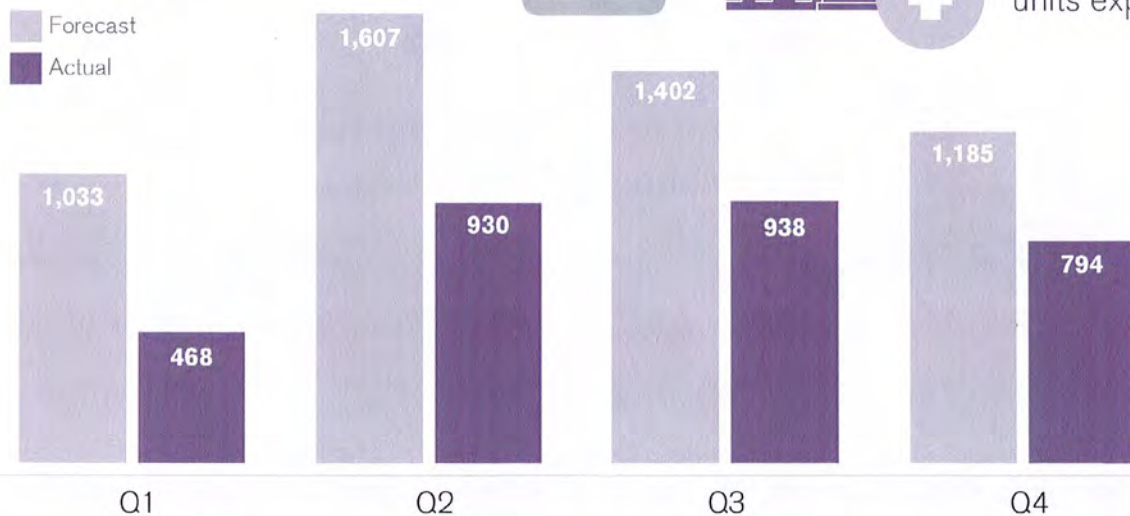


# FORECAST

New residential permits  
by year



2019 building permits  
forecast vs. actual



**6,268**

Permits for new residential units expected in 2020

**Note:** The building permit forecasts are based on achieving Durham's overall population forecast of 960,000 to 2031 as identified in the current Regional Official Plan, which is based on the 2006 Growth Plan. The population forecasts will be updated to 2051 upon the completion of the municipal comprehensive review, which is currently underway.





# HOUSING MARKET



## \$810,424

**2019**

Average price of new  
single-detached dwelling  
in Durham

('000 dollars)

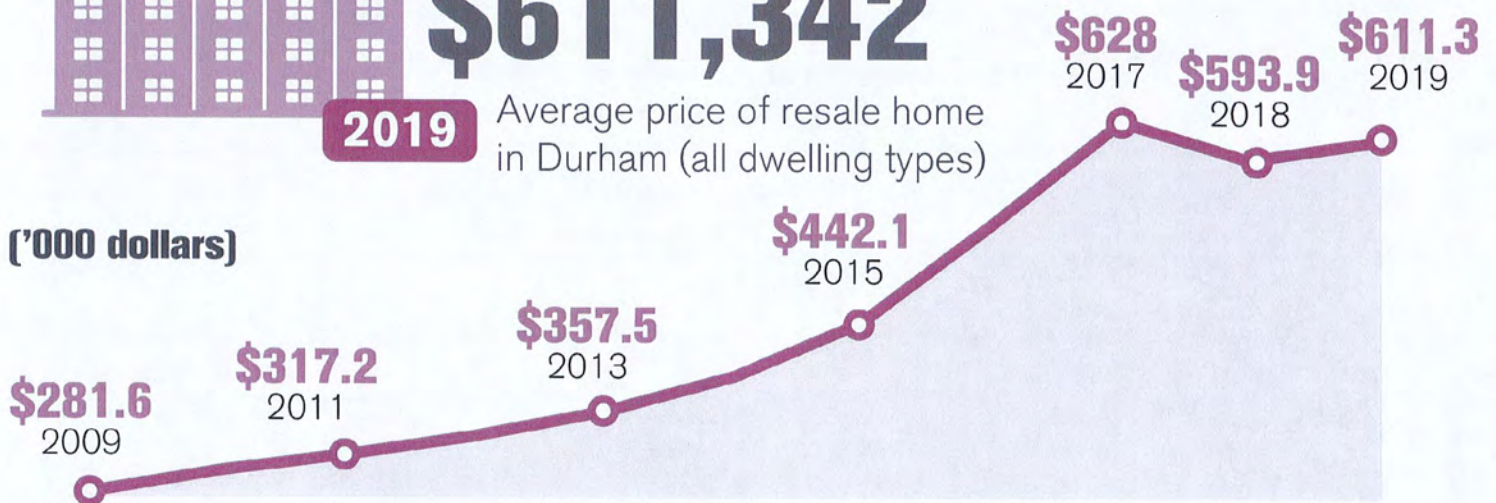


## \$611,342

**2019**

Average price of resale home  
in Durham (all dwelling types)

('000 dollars)







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**Sent by E-Mail**

September 24, 2020

**Re: Limiting Cash-Advance "Payday Loan" Stores in the Town of Ajax**

The following resolution was passed by Ajax Town Council at its meeting held September 21, 2020:

WHEREAS beginning January 1, 2018, the Province of Ontario allowed municipalities to restrict where payday loan establishments can open and the number that can operate in a given area; and

WHEREAS there are almost 20 "payday loan" establishments in the Town of Ajax (TOA), concentrated along the Kingston Road corridor and in downtown Ajax; and

WHEREAS in September 2019, the City of Ottawa approved changes to their Zoning By-laws to stipulate that new payday loan establishments cannot be within 1 kilometer of each other, that no establishment could be within 300 metres of a school (including post-secondary), or within 500 metres of a casino or racetrack; and

WHEREAS in October 2019, the City of Toronto approved amendments to the City of Toronto Municipal Code's Licensing Policy to prohibit issuing any additional payday loan establishments and add a \$645.53 application fee for a payday loan establishment location change request, adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price Index; and

WHEREAS a recent (May 20, 2020) City of Oshawa staff report recommended that the total number of payday loan establishments be limited to two (2) per ward to a total of 10 within City limits; and

WHEREAS in spite of limitations introduced by the Province of Ontario's Bill 197 limiting the interest rate at 2.5 per cent per month, and not allowing interest to be compounded on the outstanding principal (assuming the agreement is \$1,500 or less, or terms are 62 days or less), Ajax Council believes that the number of payday loan establishments in TOA boundaries are worrisome from a consumer safety perspective and wishes to cap the establishments at current levels;

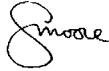
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. Staff be directed to prepare a report to be presented at a future meeting of Council or the appropriate Standing Committee regarding:

- a. The creation of a licensing system specific to payday loan establishments, including accompanying fees set at a comparable rate in line with other GTHA municipalities;
  - b. The restriction of the number of payday loan establishments per ward in the Town, with appropriate grandfathering provisions for currently operating establishments; and
  - c. appropriate municipal tools or by-laws to establish restrictions on the location and concentration of payday loan establishments.
2. The Town of Ajax join the City of Oshawa in its advocacy efforts to request that the Government of Canada:
  - a. Require chartered banks and credit unions to have branches in low-income neighbourhoods which offer credit lines to low-income people at the same rates they offer to other customers; and
  - b. Work with partners such as credit unions and chartered banks, to encourage and steward the development of lower-cost financial products that can provide an alternative for users of payday loan establishments.
- 3 That this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Trudeau, Premier Ford, Hon. Mark Holland, MP and Hon. Rod Phillips, MPP, the Region of Durham, all Durham municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario

If you require further information please contact me at 905-619-2529 ext. 3347 or [sarah.moore@ajax.ca](mailto:sarah.moore@ajax.ca)

Sincerely,



Sarah Moore  
Acting Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk

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# Protection Services Committee

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September 9, 2020

To Councillor Mike Jubb of the Township of Brock,

Further to our earlier conversation around the proposed development by the Region of Durham, I am writing to you to explain my concerns in greater detail. It is my hope that you will share this information with the appropriate concerned parties.

I am an anti-poverty activist and grassroots researcher living in the City of Oshawa. I have been studying the growing housing crisis on the ground level here in Oshawa for 3 years now. In 2018 our organization conducted a mass survey of the qualitative experiences of precariously housed and homeless persons living in Oshawa's downtown core. We identified intersectional service deficiencies and started to make recommendations to relevant parties as to how we could lessen the impact of poverty here.

All of the changes which would positively impact the service deficiencies we identified fell under the purview of the Region of Durham. From rising transit costs to a largely unregulated rental market, all of our research kept circling around the issue of inadequate financial Social Service benefits. During meetings of the Region's GAP Committee, board members of DIRE regularly brought up the need for Regional advocacy at the provincial level around increases to benefits such as CPP and ODSP, but to date there has been no proactive discussion between the Region and Province on this matter that I am aware of. In lieu of this, we have been advocating at the provincial level ourselves.

Since 2018 we have seen the municipality of Oshawa and Region of Durham grow increasingly hostile towards our unsheltered neighbors, despite what is being spread via the news media. I have personally attended to 14 hostile evictions of individual homeless persons, not including the 20+ person strong encampment in the forest along our creek which returns every year. The stories largely remain the same; they were either priced out (via annual rent increases), evicted, or kicked out of an unstable housing situation. Drug use is frankly secondary to the housing issue, with mental illness being the number one comorbidity. It saddens me that our Mayor is calling for increased policing when what we really need are things like rent caps and city-funded trauma-informed therapists. This is a topic for another day however.

It is true that here in Oshawa there is a shelter for men; Cornerstone. Since the onset of the pandemic they cut their beds down to about 26-28. As per our last PIT (point in time) count here, we have over 280 unsheltered persons living in Oshawa. The closest women's shelter is in Whitby and it is almost always full. I have heard colloquially that they are dealing with a mold situation and have had to close down their entire top floor. There are some options for victims of abuse, but they are not specific to people experiencing homelessness. In terms of options for couples or families, there are almost no shelters which keep everyone together and this often leads to CAS intervention. In families on social assistance their CCTB benefits are often used to pay for rent. Apprehensions often lead to evictions for non-payment of rent, which make it very hard to reunite families. The system is broken.

Please consider the following excerpt from a DIRE case study on comorbid addiction and homelessness which ran from August 2018-December 2019:

"On August 14th: We attended to Pinewood Centre. The client was agitated and expressed his desire to remove his Listerine bottle from the garbage can outside. The addictions counsellor was receptive, but due to a lack of beds the client was placed on a waitlist. We were advised that we could walk to Lakeridge Health Oshawa's RAAM clinic, but the client declined citing that his withdrawal tremors were too bad to walk so far. The client and myself left the clinic and I provided him with a meal ticket to St Vincent's Kitchen. I observed that he collected the Listerine bottle out of the garbage can as I was leaving."

This client was found deceased in November 2018 in a tent. Without adequate support people die. In fact, the rates of death in the unsheltered community here in Oshawa are skyrocketing. When we were working with the Region and GAP Committee around this issue we made several recommendations but it appears we are moving the opposite way. There is a clear pattern here which DIRE identified and brought to the attention of the Region last year, but no one is listening. If you're on assistance you can't get a credit card. You're going to have a really hard time getting a car, that's if you can save up for one. Upward mobility is almost impossible living on social assistance and this "affordable" project doesn't sound affordable. People are dying of overdoses because they're depressed. The apathy is unfathomable; people don't think it's ever going to get better, and without proactive planning, it won't.

If we are to study the abstract put forward by the region on this matter (Region of Durham Report #2020-SS-9, specifically Section 7.2), we see that the proposed housing charges will range from the maximum ODSP shelter allowance (\$467 for a single person) to 80% of market rent. This means they are planning already to have to dig into people's basic needs allowances. Affordable housing is defined as housing which costs less than 30% of a person's income. The maximum a single person can receive on ODSP is \$1169. The shelter portion of a person's benefit is already over 30%! We absolutely cannot continue this cycle.

Affordability of housing is really the crux of all issues, but housing alone will not solve the complex issue of homelessness, rurally or otherwise. People need community; some need faith groups, some need adult autism supports. I have casually looked into the available services in Beaverton and where I am certain it is a lovely place to live, I certainly wouldn't want to live there without a car. But perhaps that's the point. Perhaps people are sick of seeing homeless on our streets here in Oshawa. Perhaps it's easier to forget about a demographic of people you don't have to see all the time and who can't travel back home.

Please know that I recognize rural poverty as a definite issue which needs to be addressed. I am simply concerned that this is nothing more than a thinly veiled "Greyhound Therapy" project. The same report I cite above mentions that the rent isn't fixed; will it increase annually? Will this project simply contribute to the observed cycle of "pricing out" renters? And if that happens, in two or three years when they can no longer afford their apartment, where will they go? Without rent caps market rent will only increase. Without associated increases to social assistance benefits, are we simply setting people up for future housing issues?

The Region of Durham has the ability to take big steps towards solving the housing crisis, but they seem more interested in pleasing investors than taking sound advice. I strongly suggest that you push for this project to be for Brock Township residents first and foremost. We need to create a robust infrastructure which reflects the needs of each municipality before we start looking at moving vulnerable people across town lines. People are not cards to be shuffled, as I am sure you agree.

I will do my part by continuing to push for the development of truly affordable housing here in Oshawa so that my neighbors don't have to leave town.

Hoping this finds you well,

Christeen Thornton

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**Lesley Donnelly**

**From:** Debbie France [REDACTED]  
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Hello Clerk, Mayor Bath-Haden and Councillors of the Township of Brock,  
 Kindly share the information beneath and add for discussion at your next council meeting. We all share cannabis issues.  
 Thanks kindly  
 Debbie France

**Stop Illicit Cannabis Grow Operations**

This email is being sent to all municipalities in Ontario who are being unjustly impacted by the outbreak in cannabis grow operations that choose not to follow municipal bylaws and regulations.

These grow operations are surging throughout Ontario exposing residents to personal safety and health risks.

**What has caused the problem?**

Loopholes in cannabis legislation

Loophole after loophole in cannabis legislation continues to be exploited. The legalization of cannabis was meant to keep cannabis from our youth and to get it off the black market. According to law enforcement, legislation has had the opposite effect. It has allowed organized crime to gain an even stronger foothold.

**Why work together with other municipalities?**

Residents are suffering from the unintended consequences of some of the components of cannabis legislation.

- Many cannabis operations are operating without the required municipal permits, required set-backs and in areas not municipally zoned for cannabis operations.
- According to police, there is a threat to community safety. Guns have been seized at raids. Profits have been known to fund other crimes such as methamphetamine labs and cannabis can be used as currency to trade for cocaine and guns coming from United States. Organized crime has found a way to be comfortably sheltered within existing cannabis laws.
- Obnoxious skunk-like odours are adversely impacting the health and well being of residents.
- Risks to drinking water supply from excessive water usage and chemical contamination.
- Light and noise pollution.
- Greenhouses and other facilities that could be used for more legitimate job creating purposes are often being used for illicit cannabis production.
- Residents are afraid to voice their concerns in public as they fear the criminal element.
- A standardized and enforceable solution will significantly reduce many of the costs municipalities are currently facing.

Over the last few weeks, I have fielded phone calls and emails from residents of Norfolk County and across the province who live in municipalities attempting to control the outbreak. The municipalities all appear to be going to great lengths to help their impacted residents but the common response from everyone is that there isn't an immediate enforceable solution.

**In developing a solution, it is important to consider the contributing factors to this problem**

- It appears as though many cannabis producers are boldly going forward with their operation without regard for municipal regulations believing they can potentially hide behind the Ministry of Agriculture, Right to Farm legislation that was established to protect farmers who feed our country.
- Far too often, cannabis operations disregard compliance to local bylaws and zoning regulations. Court cases often take years.
- Many cannabis operations are difficult to monitor and are improperly regulated.
- There doesn't seem to be a cannabis tracking system in place for the vast majority of these operations. Where is the cannabis going?
- The secluded locations of these growers make it challenging for enforcement.
- Police raids have revealed that many of these operations are growing beyond their allowable plant limits.
- When the national cannabis prescription average is 2 grams per day as of March 2020 one has to question why the College of Physicians and Surgeons are not questioning or investigating prescriptions as high as 100-150 grams per day.

The purpose of the Cannabis Act was to displace the illicit market but it has actually given it a banner to flourish under a legal license.

Unfortunately, our Federal Government put us in this position. It's long overdue for our Provincial Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and our Federal and Provincial Ministers of Health, Agriculture and Justice to place the personal safety and health of residents first.

**What should a solution involve?**

- Change in Federal and Provincial legislation and/or regulation is required to eliminate the loopholes that the criminal element has taken advantage of.
- Delegation of inspection authority to local municipalities would allow for fire, health and building inspections. Law enforcement would continue to have authority of plant count and the validity of operational authenticity.
- There is a need to verify prescriptions and the doctors who issue them.

**THE ASK...**

1. This issue **MUST** be raised at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA) and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).
2. We are requesting municipalities to join together and place this at the top of our Provincial and Federal Governments "must urgently fix" list. All levels of government need to be involved in developing a standardized and enforceable solution. Reach out to your MP's and MPP's.

There is strength and leverage in numbers. Join together with other municipalities and demand an enforceable solution from our Ministers.

Thanks kindly,  
Debbie France



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Simcoe, Ontario, N3Y 4K3

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Resident of Norfolk County

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- 14) Nuisance bylaw amendment - Cannabis Odour
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**Note:** The list of links in this document is a small representation of information mostly connected to news articles that show there are significant issues connected to Marijuana Cultivation in Agricultural areas throughout the Province of Ontario. We encourage anyone viewing this document to search and reach out in their municipality to discover how the issues are unfolding in the Municipality they call home. Further investigation is likely to uncover similar issues in areas throughout the Province of Ontario and across the Country. We expect that further investigation is likely to uncover other elected officials who have been actively trying to find solutions for the constituents they were elected to serve. We encourage anyone viewing this information to connect with the author of the letter that accompanies this list or they can email their contact information and concerns to [debbiefance@live.ca](mailto:debbiefance@live.ca) and a representative of this group will reply to help address their concerns.

## Cannabis Articles

### 1) *General knowledge*

**Article:** Gaping hole in pot legislation is hitting Norfolk hard (Ontario Farmer Jan 24, 2020)  
(Perhaps best article to understand entire issue)

<https://www.ontariofarmer.com/features/gaping-hole-in-pot-legislation-is-hitting-norfolk-hard/>

**Article:** Change is in the wind (Ontario Planners June 1, 2018)  
(Outlines challenges for Municipalities from a planning perspective)

<https://ontarioplanners.ca/blog/planning-exchange/june-2018/change-is-in-the-wind>



**Article:** Stench among concerns as Bradford council hears about cannabis cultivation in Holland Marsh (Barrie Today Jun 14, 2020)  
(Outlines common complaints amongst those living nearby grow ops)  
<https://www.barrietoday.com/local-news/bradford-council-hears-from-public-about-cannabis-cultivation-in-holland-marsh-2433271>

**Article:** County council concerned by marijuana licences (Belleville Intelligencer June 25, 2020)  
<https://www.intelligencer.ca/news/local-news/county-council-concerned-by-marijuana-licences>

## ***2) Cannabis land use reports***

**Article:** Final Land Use Study on Cannabis Production in The Town of Pelham  
(Explains potential issues between Municipal By-laws & Farm & Food Protection Act relating to Cannabis) Review sections... 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.5, 3.7 to understand potential issues  
<https://pelham-pub.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=21743>

## ***3) Municipalities not permitting Cannabis grow ops on agricultural lands***

**Article:** Brighton sets limits on where cannabis production facilities can locate (Northumberland news Apr 9, 2019)  
<https://www.northumberlandnews.com/news-story/9274359-brighton-sets-limits-on-where-cannabis-production-facilities-can-locate/>

**Article:** Prime agricultural land no place for cannabis, Oro-Medonte coalition says (Simcoe May 31, 2020)  
<https://www.simcoe.com/news-story/10001301-prime-agricultural-land-no-place-for-cannabis-oro-medonte-coalition-says/>

## ***4) Municipal Panel & Roundtable Discussion with Local & Provincial Law Enforcement***

**Article:** East Gwillimbury Cannabis Production Facilities Panel Discussion OPP & YRP discuss organized crime's active involvement in Cannabis production and the risks that it poses to residents (YouTube video)  
<https://youtu.be/Oisv7MEIV14>

**Article:** Hastings-Lennox & Addington Roundtable on Illicit Cannabis Operations – Fed MP Derek Sloan  
<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=3216967588368948&extid=jTObBPn7swAbfxrz>

## ***5) Police Intervention - Police shut down massive illegal cannabis operation, seize more than 100k plants*** (CBC News Aug 21, 2020)

**Article:** <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/project-woolwich-cannabis-niagara-1.5695691>

## **6) Police Intervention - Cannabis production allegedly fueling synthetic drug production labs (Project Moon)**

**Article:** More than \$45m in drugs and cash seized as twin drug gangs dismantled in York Region  
(CP24 Aug 8, 2019)

<https://www.cp24.com/news/more-than-45m-in-drugs-and-cash-seized-as-twin-drug-gangs-dismantled-in-york-region-1.4541063>

## **7) Police Intervention – raids involving production exceeding limits**

### **St. Catharines**

**Article:** Niagara police bust \$34m illegal cannabis operation (Global News July 1, 2020)

<https://globalnews.ca/news/7128873/niagara-illegal-cannabis-grow-op/>

### **King Township**

**Article:** Police seize \$4.7m in illegal drugs after search of former Joe's Garden property in King  
(York Region Oct 7, 2019)

<https://www.yorkregion.com/news-story/9633352-police-seize-4-7m-in-illegal-drugs-after-search-of-former-joe-s-garden-property-in-king/>

**Article:** 8 charged after \$400k worth of 'excess cannabis' found on King Township grow-op  
(CBC News Oct 2, 2018)

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/eight-charged-marijuana-trafficking-cannabis-farms-york-region-1.4847114>

**Article:** Police bust marijuana grow op in King Township worth \$6.5m, seize 4,000 plants  
(CTV News Aug 3, 2018)

<https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/police-bust-marijuana-grow-op-in-king-township-worth-6-5m-seize-4-000-plants-1.4039863>

### **Stouffville**

**Article:** Police bust cannabis grow op in excess of licence limits near Aurora  
(YorkRegion Jan 29, 2019)

<https://www.yorkregion.com/news-story/9148816-police-bust-cannabis-grow-op-in-excess-of-licence-limits-near-aurora/>

## **8) Police Intervention - Cannabis busts at US/Canada border**

**Article:** Canadian resident arrested in relation to massive cannabis bust at U.S. border  
(Global News June 16, 2020)

<https://globalnews.ca/news/7070697/canadian-involved-significant-drug-seizure-u-s-border/>



## ***9) Federal MP's mentioned in articles who are actively requesting Health Canada to solve Cannabis issue***

**Article:** MP Finley brings the issue of unlicensed large-scale marijuana producers to Parliament (Norfolk Today July 27, 2020) - **Fed MP Diane Finley**  
<https://www.norfolktoday.ca/2020/07/27/96986/>

**Article:** Stomp out cannabis criminality: Sloan (Quinte News July 2, 2020) - **Fed MP Derek Sloan**  
<https://www.quintenews.com/2020/07/02/stomp-out-cannabis-criminality-sloan/>

**Article:** 'Stinks like 10000 skunks': Tottenham residents want more potent restrictions for medical-marijuana growers (Simcoe Feb 11, 2020) - **Fed MP Terry Dowdall**  
<https://www.simcoe.com/news-story/9844540--stinks-like-10-000-skunks-tottenham-residents-want-more-potent-restrictions-for-medical-marijuana-growers/>

## ***10) Municipal guide to Cannabis legislation (by FCM)***

<https://fcm.ca/en/resources/municipal-guide-cannabis-legalization>

## ***11) The final report of the task force on Cannabis legalization and regulation***

<https://hoban.law/2017/01/the-final-report-of-the-task-force-on-cannabis-legalization-and-regulation/>

## ***12) Municipalities who have refused requests for exceptions to bylaws***

**Article:** Marijuana setback relief denied (Simcoe Reformer May 29, 2019)  
<https://www.simcoereformer.ca/news/local-news/marijuana-setback-relief-denied>

**Article:** Council officially denies the marijuana micro-cultivation facility (NewTecTimes March 6, 2020)  
<http://newtectimes.com/?p=24388>

## ***13) Court cases - Bylaw/Zoning violations***

**Article:** Cannabis producer pleads guilty to violating bylaw (Simcoe Reformer Feb 20, 2020)  
<https://www.simcoereformer.ca/news/local-news/cannabis-producer-enters-guilty-plea>

**Article:** East Gwillimbury takes medical marijuana facility to court (York Region Aug 12, 2020)  
<https://www.yorkregion.com/news-story/10134439-east-gwillimbury-takes-medical-marijuana-facility-to-court/>

#### ***14) Nuisance bylaw amendment - Cannabis odour***

**Article:** Council enacts nuisance by-law addressing cannabis odour concerns

(Bradford Today Jun 19, 2020)

<https://www.bradfordtoday.ca/local-news/council-enacts-nuisance-by-law-addressing-cannabis-odour-concerns-2441245>

**Article:** Hamilton targets large-scale personal grow operations with nuisance bylaw amendment

(Global News Apr 23, 2020)

<https://globalnews.ca/news/6857506/city-of-hamilton-nuisance-bylaw-amendments-personal-grow-operations-cannabis/>

**Article:** Nuisance bylaw to deal with cannabis odour coming soon to Lincoln

(Niagara This Week Aug 3, 2020)

<https://www.niagarathisweek.com/news-story/10128119-nuisance-bylaw-to-deal-with-cannabis-odour-coming-soon-to-lincoln/>

**Article:** Pelham gives stamp of approval on odour bylaw to deal with cannabis operations

(Niagara This Week Mar 27, 2020)

<https://www.niagarathisweek.com/news-story/9918340-pelham-gives-stamp-of-approval-on-odour-bylaw-to-deal-with-cannabis-operations/>

**Article:** Niagara area town buys \$5,000 device to measure weed smell after repeated complaints from residents (Timmins Today Jul 7, 2020)

<https://www.timminstoday.com/around-ontario/ontario-niagara-area-town-buys-5000-device-to-measure-weed-smell-after-repeated-complaints-from-residents-2545977>

#### ***15) Municipalities that have requested assistance from Province***

**Article:** Council supports request for more control over cannabis production in municipalities

(Bradford Today May 22, 2020)

<https://www.bradfordtoday.ca/local-news/council-supports-request-for-more-control-over-cannabis-production-in-municipalities-2366228>



**Lesley Donnelly**

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**From:** Michael Jubb  
**Sent:** September 17, 2020 3:16 PM  
**To:** Brock Clerks; clerks@durham.ca; Council  
**Subject:** Fwd: Beaverton Modular Housing Project

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**From:** Peter Frank [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2020 3:13:21 PM  
**To:** Michael Jubb <mjubb@townshipofbrock.ca>  
**Subject:** Beaverton Modular Housing Project

Hello Councillor Jubb,

I am writing this letter to you and council to advise everyone of my concerns with this housing project. I would appreciate if this letter could be added to the agenda.

It's my opinion that this housing project couldn't be placed in a worse place.

Beaverton doesn't have the support structure that will help someone that can't help themselves.

- Beaverton doesn't have a grocery store within walking distance.
- Beaverton doesn't have a local doctor.
- Beaverton doesn't have very good transportation system
- Beaverton doesn't have a very strong police presence.

Places like this have a track record that bring the crime rate up within the community.

Beaverton is not a place that can support a housing project like this, I urge every councillor to do the right thing and fight for all of Brock and tell Durham Region to rethink their decision to put a housing project in Beaverton or anywhere in Brock Township.

This decision by (Durham Region) will effect everyone in Brock Township.

Peter Frank  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

**Lesley Donnelly**

**From:** Michael Jubb  
**Sent:** September 18, 2020 2:27 PM  
**To:** Brock Clerks; clerks@durham.ca; Council  
**Subject:** Fwd: NIMBY TO Supportive Housing

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
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**From:** Peter & Cathy Frank [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Friday, September 18, 2020, 2:23 p.m.  
**To:** Michael Jubb  
**Cc:** Peter & Cathy Frank  
**Subject:** NIMBY TO Supportive Housing

Dear Counsellor Jubb,

When I heard that the region was considering building a supportive housing project, my thoughts were you gotta be freakin' kidding.

When I heard they were going to proceed with this my thoughts were ARE YOU FREAKIN' KIDDING ME, here in BEAVERTON!!!!!!

Part of the northern area of Durham mostly forgotten, we keep to ourselves but now a place to relocate problem people from the south.

I believe the placement of this project has been reached quickly due to the fact that the region owns land and are hoping the current residents were too caught up in COVID that we won't notice. WELL WE DID!

The current demographic/ lifestyle/ amount of services have not been taken into consideration and how this will affect the current residents.

This type of housing cannot be sustained in this area, nor has it been widely accepted, there was no study done, there was not a vote by current citizens, do we not still live in a democracy? Shame, shame on all councillors who are trying to sweep away problems from one area to another.

During elections our votes go with Kawartha Lakes, seems our so-called elected politicians who are supposed to represent all-of-us HAVE SOLD US OUT.

Our family relocated here from the south nearly 30 years ago, we left to live a quiet, family focused lifestyle all the while being **self supportive** without many of the services provided in the more populated regions. We accepted this as part of the sacrifices made to live along with people who were like ourselves, sharing the same lifestyle of working



(most people commuted by their own vehicles) raising your family, enjoying the recreation the area had to offer, being part of the community.

We are looking forward to our retirement years and thought that we would reside here our whole lives, we were looking forward to the proposed condominium units being built and downsizing for future families to enjoy living here. We are re-thinking our plan.

I do not believe this type of housing proposed is appropriate for this area, the land could be used to build more suitable dwellings such as additional retirement dwellings or condominiums.

I hope that other residents have written to you with their concerns, this proposal does NOT have the best interest of our area in mind. It must be stopped.

Please feel free to add this letter to the next council meeting minutes

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***Catherine Frank***

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]



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## Brock Accessibility Advisory Committee

**Date:** Tuesday, January 21, 2020

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** Municipal Administration Building, Basement Committee Room

### Minutes

**Present:** Jolene Munro, Donna Schirle, Karen Hakonson, Tony Laundrie, Jodi Foreman, Councillor Lynn Campbell, Lesley Donnelly, Clerk's Assistant (recording the minutes) and Becky Jamieson, Clerk

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Munro called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.

#### 2. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Karen Hakonson that the minutes of the November 19, 2019 meeting be approved, as amended.

MOTION CARRIED

#### 3. Hearing of Deputations

None

#### 4. General Items

##### 1) Multi Year Accessibility Plan

The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) advised that the Township of Brock is required to submit an annual status report. The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) provided an overview of the report, highlighting achievements in 2019, A.O.D.A progress, and activities completed by the Committee in 2019. The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) encouraged the Committee to let her know if anything should be added to the report and/or if they had any comments with respect to the report.

##### 2) 2019 Provincial Accessibility Report

The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) reported that the 2019 Provincial Accessibility Report was filed, as required.

##### 3) Township of Brock Modernization Initiative Update

This document is available in alternate formats upon request.  
Please contact the Clerk's Department at 705-432-2355.

The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) updated the Committee on IT improvements that are coming soon, advising that the Township is in the process of procuring new computers and is working closely with Durham Region on this project. The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) also noted that there are improvements coming to Council Chambers which will see some of the doors being reconfigured (for security reasons), a new sound system, and an assistive hearing device. The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) also advised that the Township is in the process of launching a new website in the spring. Key features of the new website include online forms and the option to make payments online. The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) further advised that a new phone system will allow all Township facilities to be connected, enhancing customer service and accessibility.

The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) noted that this is Phase 1 of the modernization initiative. Phase 2 of the initiative could see new electronic signage in Township facilities and new budgeting software. The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) reported that the Township received a \$725,000 modernization grant from the Province. The Clerk noted that Terry Madsen, IT Manager with Durham Region is providing insight into the abovementioned projects to ensure that the proper equipment is procured.

#### 4) Draft Traffic Control Parking By-law

With respect to section 34 of the proposed by-law, Ms. Foreman asked if the intention is to have the accessible parking space free and clear from snow so that a wheelchair can exit/enter a vehicle from either side. The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) indicated that although the intention is to keep the parking space free and clear of snow there will be times when this is not possible due to the amount of snow fall and limited space to move the snow. Ms. Foreman agreed this expectation will likely be difficult to maintain.

Ms. Schirle inquired as to who is responsible for clearing a pathway to the accessible parking spot. (ie. store owner, Municipality).

Ms. Hakonson recommended that signs be posted to ensure that the public is aware of fees/penalties that can be incurred for using an accessible parking space without a permit. Ms. Hakonson further recommended that this sign be erected on the same post as the accessible parking space sign. The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) advised that this recommendation will be communicated to the By-law Enforcement Officer (Ms. Beauregard-Jones) for consideration.

If the by-law is passed, Ms. Foreman recommends that the Township highlight the key changes and inform the public via a news post on the website and social media. The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) informed the Committee that the draft by-law was presented at the Mayor's Roundtable in January, with Sarah making a presentation on the proposed changes.

The Chair (Ms. Munro) inquired as to the number of spaces per the Zoning By-law to which staff advised they would follow up.

The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) advised that the proposed by-law, if passed, will prohibit idling for more than 3 minutes (police exempt) and will offer parking solutions on narrow streets (ie. parking permitted on one side only). The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) noted that there will be a report going to Council in the future which will highlight the parking issues at the Beaverton Harbour.

The Clerk (Ms. Jamieson) left the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

#### 5) Annual Presentation to Committee of the Whole – Recap - December 2<sup>nd</sup>

Chair Munro informed the Committee that the presentation to Council went well. Chair Munro advised that the presentation included highlights from the Council Accessibility Challenge, including improvements that were recommended by the Committee.

6) 2020 Budget Recommendations

The Clerk's Assistant (Ms. Donnelly) advised that the recommendations from BAAC have been placed in the 2020 budget discussion folder for Council to review.

Chair Munro inquired as to how budget talks were going to which Councillor Campbell advised that budget talks have not yet commenced. The Clerk's Assistant (Ms. Donnelly) advised that budget meetings are scheduled for February 7 and February 10, 2020.

7) 2020 BAAC Workplan

Chair Munro suggested that the Committee start to brainstorm on ideas for the Community Accessibility Event in April 2020. With respect to the display board, Chair Munro wondered if it could be used at the Maple Syrup Festival or the Winter Carnival in Beaverton. Chair Munro inquired as to whether the Winter Carnival is a staffed event. The Clerk's Assistant (Ms. Donnelly) to inquire. Chair Munro indicated that the display board could be set up at the Cannington Library, possibly during a book sale. Chair Munro to advise.

Ms. Schirle suggested that the Committee start pondering who to nominate for the 2020 Accessibility Award.

Chair Munro thinks it would be a good idea to have this event aligned with a Township event or to have a partner or guest speaker.

Ms. Foreman asked if it was possible to post a webinar on the Township website for anyone unable to attend the event. The Clerk's Assistant (Ms. Donnelly) advised that staff have the capability to post a link online and would be able to post to social media as well.

Councillor Campbell advised that Council Chambers has the capability to livestream, so the Committee could consider hosting events in Council Chambers.

Chair Munro suggested doing a demonstration of the kayak dock, water playground and a mobi mat.

Ms. Hakonson suggested doing a promotional piece on the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA) trail project. Note that this project has been delayed so there might not be an opportunity to include this in conjunction with an Accessibility Event in the spring.

Chair Munro asked the Clerk's Assistant (Ms. Donnelly) to include the Community Accessibility Event on the next BAAC agenda for further discussions.

8) Additional crosswalk in Beaverton

The Clerk's Assistant (Ms. Donnelly) advised the Committee that she has attempted to connect with the Region twice in the last two weeks without success. The Clerk's Assistant (Ms. Donnelly) will continue to reach out and provide an update in the future.

## 5. Other Items & Inquiries

- 1) Durham Region 2019 Ontario Parasport Games Final Report and Legacy Fund Circulating to LAM Accessibility Committees

The Clerk's Assistant (Ms. Donnelly) advised that Durham Region asked that the correspondence be circulated for information and that no response is required.

Chair Munro opened the floor to round table discussions.

Ms. Schirle brought forward a request from a resident to have a bench placed outside Foodland. The Committee advised that Foodland would need to grant permission first. Councillor Campbell advised that the bench cannot impede the sidewalk.

Moved by Donna Schirle that staff inquire about the possibility of installing a bench outside Foodland.

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Laundrie informed the Committee that the Township, in partnership with the Sunderland Lions Club installed a bench in front of Grace Baptist Church, in Sunderland.

Councillor Campbell reminded the Committee the GO service in Cannington has been cancelled. Councillor Campbell reminded the Committee that On Demand bus service is available to residents.

Councillor Campbell spoke to the draft Parking By-law and some of the changes that residents could see if the by-law is passed. If passed, parking permits will be available at a cost allowing residents to park at an arena or municipal lot overnight, thereby reducing the number of vehicles parked on streets which ultimately interfere with snow removal. Councillor Campbell advised that summer parking permits will also be available for certain streets, reducing congestion and ensuring that emergency vehicles can get through.

Ms. Foremen wondered if the Township would have the authority under the new by-law to prohibit parking during special events (ie. Santa Claus Parade).

Councillor Campbell indicated the proposed by-law would also have new rules around recreational vehicles, including temporary exceptions with respect to where and how long a recreational vehicle can be parked.

- 2) Next Meeting Date – Tuesday, March 17, 2020

## 6. Adjournment

Motion by Donna Schirle to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED



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Accessibility Coordinator at 905-623-3379 ext. 2131

September 22, 2020

Her Honour the Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell, OC, OOnt  
Lieutenant Governor of Ontario  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A1

Date:	23/09/2020
Refer to:	Not Applicable
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Your Honour:

**Re:** Call to Action (Public Enquiry) - Second Request

**File Number:** PG.25.06

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At a meeting held on September 21, 2020, the Council of the Municipality of Clarington approved the following Resolution #JC-106-20:

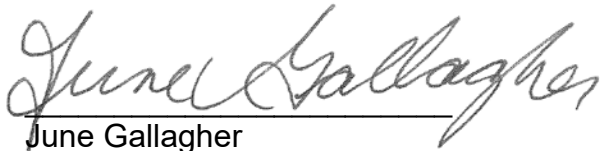
That the following resolution from the City of Pickering, regarding Call to Action (Public Inquiry) - Second Request, be endorsed by the Municipality of Clarington:

That Corr. 28-20, dated May 29, 2020, from the Families of Orchard Villa, regarding a Call To Action (Public Inquiry) - Second Request – Urgent, be endorsed; and

That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Lieutenant Governor, Durham MPPs, Opposition Leaders, the Regional Municipality of Durham, and Durham Region municipalities.

Please find enclosed a copy of the original [correspondence](#) for your reference.

Yours sincerely,



June Gallagher  
Deputy Clerk

JG/cm

Encl.

- c: The Honourable Doug Ford, M.P.P., Premier of Ontario - [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)  
The Honourable Lindsey Park, M.P.P., Durham - [lindsey.park@pc.ola.org](mailto:lindsey.park@pc.ola.org)  
The Honourable David Piccini, M.P.P., Northumberland-Peterborough South - [david.piccini@pc.ola.org](mailto:david.piccini@pc.ola.org)  
Andrea Horwath, M.P.P., Leader of the Official Opposition - [horwatha-gp@ndp.on.ca](mailto:horwatha-gp@ndp.on.ca)  
Steven Del Duca, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party - [steven@ontarioliberal.ca](mailto:steven@ontarioliberal.ca)  
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Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk, The Regional Municipality of Durham - [clerks@durham.ca](mailto:clerks@durham.ca)  
The Families of Orchard Villa - [orchardvillaltchfamilies@gmail.com](mailto:orchardvillaltchfamilies@gmail.com)



Sent by Email

July 7, 2020

The Families of Orchard Villa  
[orchardvillaltchfamilies@gmail.com](mailto:orchardvillaltchfamilies@gmail.com)

Subject: Re: Call to Action (Public Inquiry) - Second Request - Urgent  
Corr. 28-20  
File: A-1400-001-19

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The Council of the Corporation of the City of Pickering considered the above matter at a meeting held on June 29, 2020 and adopted the following resolution:

1. That Corr. 28-20, dated May 29, 2020, from the Families of Orchard Villa, regarding a Call To Action (Public Inquiry) - Second Request – Urgent, be endorsed; and,
2. That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Lieutenant Governor, Durham MPPs, Opposition Leaders, the Regional Municipality of Durham, and Durham Region municipalities.

A copy of the original correspondence is attached for your reference.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905.420.4660, extension 2019.

Yours truly



Susan Cassel  
City Clerk

SC:rp  
Enclosure

Copy: The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
The Hon. Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario  
Lorne Coe, Member of Provincial Parliament, Whitby  
Jennifer French, Member of Provincial Parliament, Oshawa  
Lindsey Park, Member of Provincial Parliament, Durham  
The Hon. Rod Phillips, Member of Provincial Parliament, Ajax  
The Hon. Laurie Scott, Member of Provincial Parliament, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock  
The Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Member of Provincial Parliament, Pickering-Uxbridge  
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Chris Harris, Clerk, Town of Whitby  
Ralph Walton, Regional Clerk/Director of Legislative Services, Regional Municipality of Durham

Chief Administrative Officer

**From:** Families Orchard Villa <[orchardvillaltchfamilies@gmail.com](mailto:orchardvillaltchfamilies@gmail.com)>

**Date:** May 29, 2020 at 3:01:23 PM EDT

**Subject:** CALL TO ACTION (PUBLIC INQUIRY) - SECOND REQUEST - URGENT

May 29, 2020

Dear Mr. Ford and Ms. Fullerton,

This is our second attempt to contact you as the family members of Orchard Villa, and individuals within our group have been reaching out to you both since early to mid-April, but none of our group or individual attempts have been met with an appropriate response.

We have been watching your daily announcements as we wait at home for updates on our loved ones who still reside in Orchard Villa Long-Term Care Home and Retirement Home, and grieve the loss of our family members who have passed. We mourned the information that was written on the military report, made public on Tuesday May 26, 2020. Our grieving isn't just for the facts contained in the report, but also for the knowledge that these facts have been communicated to you and your offices both by us and in the media for several weeks now. We grieve because our words were not enough and while our pleas for help fell on deaf ears more of our loved ones died. Our one consolation is that the military's voice echoed our own and that their voice was loud enough for you to hear.

Today we write to you first to thank you for the nursing and military support that you have provided to Orchard Villa LTCH, we have seen a change in our family's basic care needs recently and we now are comforted to know that they are being fed and hydrated, however we are far from a full result of having regular updates on our loved ones, having COVID-19 tests being continued and from feeling that our families are safe. We want to know what plan is in place for beyond June 12, 2020 when the military and hospital support has left Orchard Villa. The military report clearly indicates that the current management cannot be left to their own devices.

Mr. Ford, we are one month shy of the two-year anniversary of your swearing in as Premier of Ontario. As we look back to June 29, 2018 we hear you speak the words *"I, Doug Ford, swear that I will duly and faithfully, and to the best of my skill and knowledge, execute the powers and trust reposed in me as Premier ...of the Province Of Ontario, so help me God."* On that day we took you at your word and

trusted that not only would you lead the people of Ontario, but that you would serve them as well.

Ms. Fullerton, we believe you echo Mr. Ford's position that the military report was shocking, however this only indicates that you have not been listening to our pleas.

Today we are asking you to begin an independent public inquiry as soon as possible. You will find that we are united in our need for this type of inquiry, that we do not want an independent commission where information is controlled and stones can be left unturned. With this request we enclose a link to our petition signed by 5,700+ individuals who have added their voices to our own. How many voices will it take until we are finally heard?

<http://chng.it/RfPYgxJg>

We ask that you please refrain from sending us a generic reply as many of us have received in the past. We ask that you remove the wall that has been built between yourself, your staff and the people that you serve.

A second e-mail will follow this with the contact information for two representatives of our group, and we trust that we will hear from you by no later than Wednesday June 3, 2020.

We have been waiting, writing, speaking and mourning for eight weeks. We have been kept in the dark. We ask that you now respond to us directly and we thank you for your time.

Respectfully,  
The Families of Orchard Villa

bcc: National and local media outlets



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Accessibility Coordinator at 905-623-3379 ext. 2131

September 22, 2020

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, P.C., M.P.  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Via E-Mail: [pm@pm.gc.ca](mailto:pm@pm.gc.ca)

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Dear Prime Minister:

**Re:** Mental Health for Police Services

**File Number:** PG.25.06

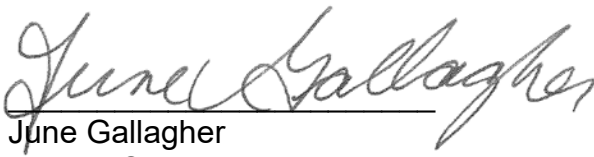
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At a meeting held on September 21, 2020, the Council of the Municipality of Clarington approved the following Resolution #JC-108-20:

That the Correspondence item 11.12 from Dan Carter, Mayor, City of Oshawa, regarding mental Health for Police Services, be endorsed by the Municipality of Clarington.

For your reference, please find attached a copy of the original correspondence from the City of Oshawa to the [Prime Minister](#) and the [Durham Regional Chair](#).

Yours sincerely,

  
June Gallagher  
Deputy Clerk

JG/cm

Encl.

See attached list of interested parties

**Interested Parties:**

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## MAYOR DAN CARTER

July 28, 2020

Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister,

The recent highly publicized interactions between members of police services and individuals in crisis in both the United States and Canada are calling for government and organizations to re-examine our systems and processes and take action.

I am writing today, on behalf of Oshawa City Council, to urge all levels of government in Canada to heed this call, and to commit to two significant actions. First, to commit to an investment of dedicated mental health units within police services and second, to establish an independent professional certification for all police personnel.

Police personnel are increasingly encountering individuals in our community dealing with complex mental health issues during their emergency calls. In fact, we are aware that police services across the country estimate that as many as a third of the calls to which police personnel respond are related in some way to a mental health issue.

Further, it is increasingly likely that police personnel are the first point of contact with individuals when arriving on scene of an incident.

Police services, such as the Durham Regional Police Service, have added dedicated personnel to respond to these types of calls, and this measure should be applauded. However, the current levels of mental health front line support to our community in our local, provincial and federal police service are woefully inadequate.



All levels of policing must commit to providing dedicated and fully funded mental health front line units who have specialized skills in mental health crisis intervention and de-escalation within their police service. This would include a team of a plain-clothes officer and mental health nurse. It is imperative that these units are available to respond to situations 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days per year.

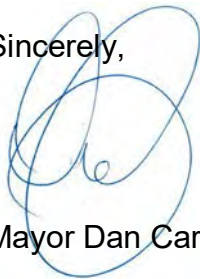
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Secondly, we believe that the establishment of an independent professional certification for all police personnel, similar to certifications in other professions such as accounting and engineering, would be of benefit to police services across the country. This suggestion was brought forward through our local consultations.

This designation or accreditation could be received by individual police personnel. It is essential that the program be administered and overseen by an independent body, rather than through peers or police service organizations, to achieve greater accountability.

We believe that these two actions will have significant benefits for both our community and police personnel and will improve the accountability and effectiveness of police response in our communities.

Sincerely,



Mayor Dan Carter

cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier  
John Henry, Regional Chair  
MP Erin O'Toole  
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MPP Jennifer French  
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Regional Municipality of Durham  
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**Sent by E-Mail**

September 24, 2020

**Re: Durham Regional Police Body-Worn Camera Project**

The following resolution was passed by Ajax Town Council at its meeting held September 21, 2020:

WHEREAS the Durham Region Police Service (DRPS) released its Body-Worn Camera (BWC) Pilot Evaluation Report on September 14<sup>th</sup> for consideration by Durham Region Police Services Board ("the Board");

AND WHEREAS the report concludes that the deployment of BWCs to Frontline Members of DRPS will provide value to DRPS, its partners and the community, and it aligns with the strategic plans of the Region, Town and DRPS;

AND WHEREAS the report further states that an investment in BWCs has tremendous potential to be an enabler of transformative and restorative change for the DRPS;

AND WHEREAS the Board's Finance Committee recommended the following on Sept 14<sup>th</sup>:

*"THAT the Finance Committee recommend that the Board approve in principle the adoption of body-worn cameras for the DRPS; and*

*THAT cost details and a phased implementation plan be finalized for deployment beginning in 2021 and that the necessary funding be sought from Regional Council separate and apart from the budget process;"*

AND WHEREAS Regional Council will be considering the BWC Pilot Evaluation Report at its meeting on September 30<sup>th</sup>;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

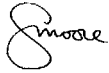
THAT Ajax Council supports the adoption of body-worn cameras (BWC) for the Durham Region Police Service, and recommends that the necessary funding for the program be allocated by Regional Council and/or through the reallocation of funds or resources from the DRPS budget;

AND THAT a copy of this motion be shared with the Ajax Anti-Black Racism Task Force, MP Mark Holland, MPP Rod Phillips, the Region of Durham, the Durham Region Police Services Board, and all Durham municipalities.



If you require further information please contact me at 905-619-2529 ext. 3347 or [sarah.moore@ajax.ca](mailto:sarah.moore@ajax.ca)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Moore'.

Sarah Moore  
Acting Manager of Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk

Copy: Regional Councillor M. Crawford  
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MP Mark Holland  
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Region of Durham  
Durham Region Police Services Board  
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## Township of Brock Interoffice Memorandum

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To: Committee of the Whole

From: Lesley Donnelly, Clerk's Assistant

Subject: 2020 Township of Brock Accessibility Award and 2020 Durham Region Accessibility Award

Date: Monday, September 28, 2020

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The Brock Accessibility Advisory Committee (B.A.A.C.) at their electronic meeting held on September 22, 2020 discussed the 2020 Township of Brock Accessibility Award and the 2020 Durham Region Accessibility Award.

The Township of Brock Accessibility Award is presented once a year to an organization or business in Brock that has shown a concerted effort to improve accessibility. Improved accessibility can mean either physical alterations or new programs and features that reduce barriers and permit great access to services for those with disabilities.

The Region of Durham Accessibility Award is presented to individuals and/or businesses that have championed accessibility in some way in their community. Accessibility can be demonstrated in customer service, information and communications, transportation and the built environment, websites, and/or other ways that ensure inclusiveness, participation and/or independence of persons with disabilities.

The 2019 Township of Brock Accessibility Award was presented to the Sunderland Pharmacy for the installation of a ramp, and interior renovations.

The 2019 Durham Region Accessibility Award was presented to the Beaverton Town Hall Players for the purchase of 8 hearing assistive devices.

At the September 22, 2020 meeting, B.A.A.C. adopted the following motions:

"That B.A.A.C. recommend that Foodland, Cannington be nominated for the 2020 Township of Brock Accessibility Award for the installation of new automatic doors (at the front entrance) and brighter lighting. In addition, wider aisles and redesigned checkout counters allow more room for customers and shopping carts. Foodland also continued to offer their phone in / delivery service during the pandemic. Further, that an electronic presentation be arranged to present this award."

"That B.A.A.C. recommend that Fisher's Your Independent Grocer ("Fisher's") be nominated for the 2020 Durham Region Accessibility Award for quickly adopting and responding to the needs

of their customers during the pandemic. Fisher's opened early to accommodate seniors and individuals with compromised immune systems, provided an option to shop online with groceries delivered to vehicles, and improved the flow of aisles making it easier and safer to move around the store.

In order to allow sufficient time for the Township of Brock accessibility award presentation to be arranged and to submit the Durham Region Accessibility Award nomination, staff are requesting the Committee's consideration of the above motions.

End of Memorandum

Respectfully submitted,



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Lesley Donnelly  
Clerk's Assistant

# Corporate Services Committee



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## MAYOR DAN CARTER

September 24, 2020

Prime Minister Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Ontario  
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### RE: Municipal Challenges Regarding On-Line Home-Sharing Platforms

Please be advised that City Council at a meeting held on May 25, 2020 considered Report CNCL-20-59 dealing with a Proposed Short-Term Rental Licensing System for the City of Oshawa and adopted the following resolution:

1. *That Licensing By-law 120-2005, as amended, and General Fees and Charges Bylaw 13-2003, as amended, be further amended in a form and content acceptable to the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Legal Services to:*
  - a. *Establish standards as detailed in Report CNCL-20-59 "Proposed Short Term Rental Licensing System", dated May 20, 2020, and Attachment 1, to license Short-Term Rental Operators;*
  - b. *In relation to the proposed licensing system, limit the number of rooms rented at any time to two (2) when renting by the room; and,*
  - c. *In relation to the proposed licensing system, limit the room occupancy to no more than two (2) people per room when renting by the room.*
2. *That references to the General Regulatory Objectives of health and safety, consumer protection, nuisance control, and impact on housing and rental supplies be included where appropriate in future Short-Term Rental reports;*
3. *That Council approve the enforcement approach outlined in Section 5.3 of Report CNCL-20-59 "Proposed Short-Term Rental Licensing System", dated May 20, 2020;*

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4. *That staff be directed to investigate entering into Memorandums of Understanding with participating Short-Term Rental Companies that facilitate the booking of S.T.R.s located in the City of Oshawa and report back to the Corporate Services Committee;*
5. *That the Mayor be directed on behalf of Council to send a letter to the provincial and federal governments urging them to continue to seek multi-level solutions to the accountability challenges for municipalities when dealing with online home-sharing platforms.*

In accordance with Part 5 of the above noted resolution, this correspondence, outlining municipal challenges regarding online home-sharing platforms, has been sent to your attention to urge that the Federal Government participate in the development of multi-level solutions to these challenges.

The sharing economy, specifically home-sharing, is impacting municipalities both large and small across Canada. Home-sharing, which is one of the fastest growing sectors of the sharing economy, is generally understood to refer to individuals renting out their residence, or part of their residence, for short periods of time through internet-based platforms such as Airbnb, HomeAway and VRBO (the latter two owned by the Expedia Group).

Home-sharing has both positive and negative impacts for municipalities. The Province, Ontario's Big City Mayors, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and other policy institutions have documented these impacts. The Federation of Canadian Municipalities will also be releasing a toolkit this fall. Municipal governments are a responsible and accountable level of government but are not necessarily in the best position to address matters associated with home-sharing. For example, there are limitations to the powers municipalities have to regulate certain aspects of home-sharing platforms and owner/operators. Home-sharing, what the City of Oshawa refers to as short-term rentals, has the following implications for municipalities:

- There is an increased need for municipal, including police, enforcement in response to local complaints. In some cases, increased traffic, loud parties, fights, assaults or criminal offences are taking place. Short-term rentals that pose adverse impacts on residents and businesses challenge police and municipal enforcement tools and capacity.
- Licensing is a way municipalities gather information about business operations to monitor and protect residents and measure impact, however, complications arise when licensing short-term rental accommodation platforms. Platforms like Airbnb reside outside of Canada leaving municipalities with no effective recourse if there is non-compliance with local licensing regulations. Memorandums of Understanding are being used by some municipalities but have limitations as they rely on the good will of the platform. A licensing system also taxes local capacity and, as

Oshawa cannot count on the assistance of platforms, a third-party compliance monitoring service will be needed.

- There is an administrative burden and associated cost of enforcement and licensing. Municipal governments need to ensure the costs of administration are covered without establishing a burdensome licensing fee that may discourage compliance with municipal licensing systems.
- Reliable data is key to effectively regulate, monitor and assess the impacts of home-sharing platforms. It is also essential for informed public policy. While platforms indicate that they support the concept of data sharing, in practice, concerns have emerged about their compliance and transparency. As a result, collecting and maintaining records, involving privacy and regular information sharing, becomes complicated.
- Home-sharing has the potential to negatively impact the availability of long-term rental housing and housing affordability specifically in instances where home-sharing is undertaken in properties that are not an individual's principal residence. This would effectively reduce the number of places for people to live, which poses a challenge for municipal governments to plan for and respond to the housing needs of their residents.
- The impacts of economic activity outside of regular, tax-paying businesses on a municipal tax base have not been quantified.

We do not know where the sharing economy, and home-sharing, in particular, are going. What we do know, and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities has confirmed, is that the impact of home-sharing on its Canadian municipal members is significant. Home-sharing creates new opportunities for economic participation by residents but to ensure the widest benefit, municipal government action must balance regulation and free market operation appropriately.

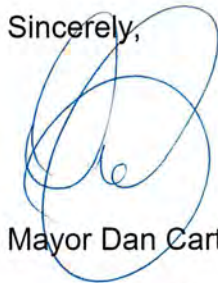
Municipalities prefer the ability to develop locally-tailored solutions but in the case of home-sharing this is resulting in different approaches, different requirements for platforms and as a result, different outcomes. On one hand, this may make it complicated for platforms operating across numerous jurisdictions to comply with individual local regulations, but at the same time easier for them to stay within the grey zone and not be held accountable.

In order for the City to continue to promote the best outcomes for residents by protecting consumers, controlling nuisances, and ensuring adequate rental supplies and housing affordability, the City requests that the Federal government consider how it can contribute to multi-level solutions to the challenges faced by municipalities from online home-sharing platforms. For your consideration, this could include:

- Further research regarding municipal challenges and responses, platform accountability and gaps in regulation, perhaps in collaboration with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. This should include further research on out-of-province/country platform regulation. Studies indicate that not enough research has been conducted on the overall impacts of the sharing economy, and this is especially true for mid-sized cities and smaller towns. The more data municipalities can draw on to better understand the impacts of sharing initiatives the better they can develop an appropriate local response.
- Legislative and regulatory changes that provide consistency across Canada, for example, in terms of information sharing or platform disclosure requirements and tools to hold off-shore companies to account.
- Additional education to help sharing economy platforms and users (owners/operators and customers) understand their rights and obligations.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I would be pleased to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



Mayor Dan Carter

cc. Hon. Omar Alhabra, Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister  
Steven Guilbeault, Minister of Cultural Heritage  
Hon. Bill Morneau, Minister of Finance  
Colin Carrie, MP  
Erin O'Toole, MP  
Chair Henry, Region of Durham  
Durham Area Municipalities (Clerks)  
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September 25th, 2020

Mayor Bath-Hadden and Members of Council,

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Please accept this letter as a request to continue leasing the portion of the parking area beside the municipality's boat launch kiosk at the Beaverton Harbour during the months of January 2021 through March 2021. The purpose of this lease would be to continue operating my bait business, Beaver River Bait. Once again, I would be willing to pay the rental fee and incur the electricity costs.

Thank you in advance for reviewing my request. I look forward to operating my business at this location during the 2021 ice fishing season. Please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,

Justin Kouba