



**GEORGINA**

## Council Highlights

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### **Georgina Town Council Nov. 15**

#### **Official Plan and zoning by-law amendment applications – 30944 Hwy. 48, Pefferlaw**

Council received the report regarding 30944 Hwy 48 which are Official Plan and zoning by-law amendment applications that have been submitted to facilitate the development of a self-storage facility comprising a total of 12 ground-oriented storage buildings of heated and unheated storage units, pump-out station, onsite ancillary office building as well as outdoor storage of vehicles. Both the applicant as well as planning staff provided an overview of the applications and outlined to Council the proposal. Staff also recommended next steps. The Council resolution included that staff report further on matters and comments raised at a future public meeting.

#### **Proposed Countryside Zoning By-law, amendment to zoning by-law 500 and associated Official Plan amendment**

Council received the report and passed the proposed Countryside Zoning by-law No. 600, except for the provisions related to agriculture-related uses (Sec. 2.231) and on-farm diversified uses (Sec. 2.240 and 5.23). In this regard, Council directed staff to consult with the Georgina Agricultural Advisory Committee, the York Region Federation of Agriculture and other stakeholders, and report back to Council in Q2 of 2024 with recommendations for amendments to By-law No. 600 to implement provisions related to agriculture, including agriculture-related uses, on-farm diversified uses and temporary accommodations for seasonal farm workers. Further, staff were directed to investigate opportunities for more flexibility in the provisions and processes associated with the Environmental Protection (EP) zone implementation, also reporting back to Council in Q2 of 2024

Council also approved the proposed amendment to Zoning By-law No. 500 to remove the Countryside Area from the by-law, as well as Official Plan Amendment No. 148 to permit an additional dwelling unit in a detached building within the Agricultural Protection Area and Rural Area designations.

The Town is undertaking a mandatory planning exercise to bring its zoning by-law into conformity with the Official Plan in two phases. The approval of the Countryside Zoning By-law No. 600 concludes Phase I. Phase II of the conformity exercise will review and update the zoning for the Settlement Areas in Town (i.e. Keswick, Sutton/Jackson's Point, Pefferlaw, the lakeshore residential areas and the Hamlets). Phase II is scheduled to begin in 2025.

#### **Additional Council Information**

Comprehensive minutes of Georgina Town Council Meetings, which detail the full list of Council

decisions, are available under [Agendas and Minutes](#) on the Town website once they have been ratified by Council.