

# Council Highlights

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## Georgina Town Council Sept. 10

#### 2025 Update and Annual Work Plan - ClearWater Futures Foundation

Council received the report regarding the 2025 Update and Annual Work Plan – ClearWater Futures Foundation. Council directed staff to create a Memorandum of Understanding and report back to Council in regard to allowing ClearWater Farm to plant on the westerly portion of the property not currently included in the lease agreement. And, to allow them to plant fruit trees and fruit bushes on a small portion of the property not currently included in the lease agreement and located just east of the farmhouse and utilize this area as an edible guild. Staff were also directed to enter discussions with ClearWater Farm on the creation of an accessible eco-shore learning area on the Town-owned shoreline on the north side of Lake Drive.

#### Municipal Heritage Register Review - Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report

Council received the presentation and the report regarding Municipal Heritage Register Review – Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report and approved using the report as a basis for updating the Georgina Heritage Register, designating properties under the Ontario Heritage Act, and as a resource in respect of built heritage planning matters. Council approved sending notices of intention to designate to eight properties and approved removing 18 properties from the Georgina Heritage Register. Staff were directed to begin the process of re-appointing a Heritage Advisory Committee with a mandate that includes outreach and consultation with landowners to further advance the celebration of Georgina's built heritage, exploring opportunities to advance the designation of additional listed properties under the Ontario Heritage Act and other responsibilities as Council may establish.

### Noise Bylaw exemption request, Yorkwood Village Centre – Zehrs

Council received the report regarding the application for a noise bylaw exemption from International Fixture Installations Inc. on behalf of Zehrs Keswick located at 24018 Woodbine Ave. to permit noise from construction-related activities overnight. Council approved the application which will allow construction noise and the handling of materials from 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday nights until 7 a.m. the following morning until the end of December 2025.

#### Blue Box Transition in Georgina – effective Jan. 1, 2026

Council received the briefing note regarding the blue box transition. Changes to the blue box program in Georgina take place on Jan. 1, 2026 as part of Ontario's transition to a producer-responsible system. In August, the Town was notified that blue box recycling will move to every other week and all households will receive a 95-gallon tote. This change is part of a province-wide move to standardized, automated collection methods.

#### **Additional Council information**

Comprehensive minutes of Georgina Town Council meetings, which detail the full list of Council decisions, are available under <u>Agendas and Minutes</u> on the Town website once they have been ratified by Council.