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Virtual Council Meetings

Council Meeting for Public Planning
When: Wednesday, April 13 7 p.m.
Council Meeting
When: Wednesday, April 27 9 a.m.
Special Council Meeting
When: Wednesday, April 27 7 p.m.

Council meetings will be broadcast as usual through the Town's live streaming tool. Public participation by phone is available.
A pre-registration form is required to be submitted to the Clerks Division by noon the day before the meeting. The form can be found at georgina.ca/**CouncilMeetings**.

Easter long weekend

With the upcoming Easter long weekend, Service Georgina will not be available from Friday, April 15 through Monday, April 18. Recycling collection will continue as regularly scheduled for the week of April 18. The Town of Georgina wishes everyone a safe and happy Easter!

2022 Municipal Election

The Municipal Election will be held on Oct. 24, 2022. This year will be a busy one for Ontario voters, with the Ontario Provincial Election and Municipal and School Board Elections happening just a few months apart. The Town will use online voting and tabulators for this election. Make sure you are on the list to vote in the 2022 Municipal and School Board Elections on Oct. 24. To learn more, visit georgina.ca/**Election2022**.

Yard waste pickup

Bi-weekly yard waste collection has started and continues until the end of November. Check your waste calendar, download the free Recycle Coach app or visit georgina.ca/**WasteandRecycling** for more information.

Pitch-In Week

It's spring cleaning time. April 17 to 24 is Pitch-In Week across Canada. Residents can participate by helping to clean up areas in the community as individuals, families or groups. The Town will provide gloves and bags which can be picked up at the Civic Centre or any branch of Georgina Public Library. Visit pitch-in.ca to learn more.

Street sweeping

Spring street sweeping operations take place each spring to remove winter sand from Town roads. Weather permitting, street sweeping occurs weekdays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Residents are asked to sweep unwanted sand from their driveways and sidewalks, over the curb and onto the edge of the road for removal by the street sweeper. Avoid parking on Town streets when sweepers are working in your area to allow the equipment to properly sweep the roadway in its entirety. Your cooperation is appreciated. For more information, visit georgina.ca/**StreetSweeping**.

Shows at the Stephen Leacock Theatre

Looking for a fun local night out while enjoying some great entertainment? Check out some great upcoming shows at the Stephen Leacock Theatre. From standup comedy to fabulous tribute artists there's something for everyone. Visit the concert listing at stephenleacocktheatre.ca to see who is coming and to purchase tickets.

Parking passes

The Town of Georgina has introduced a new online process for resident parking passes. Residents and property owners can now apply online and get a parking pass immediately. Residents can obtain up to a maximum of four parking passes per household. A parking pass must be displayed on your dashboard while parked in areas where required by signage. To learn more and get your parking pass, visit georgina.ca/**ParkingPass**.

Water and sewer rates

The revised 2022 water and sewer rates were adopted by Council on Dec. 1, 2021. The rate change represents a 5.84 per cent increase when factoring in both metered and capital charges over 2021 rates and is in effect for billings as of April 1. This increase ensures revenue is provided for the operating expenditures for the water and sewer systems. In addition to the metered consumption rate, a capital cost recovery fee of $21.94 is included with each water and sewer bill. This fee is set aside for future capital expenditures for both the water and sewer systems. Learn more at georgina.ca/**WaterBilling**.

Emerald Ash Borer tree removal program

The Town of Georgina has been infested with the Emerald Ash Borer for a number of years and nearly all mature Ash trees are affected. The Town's tree removal program is being expanded to accelerate the removal of Ash trees. The new program will remove all affected trees on municipal property within the Town over a three-year period, from 2022 to 2024. To learn more, visit georgina.ca/**EAB**.

Urban hens

The Town will allow the keeping of hens in urban areas. After a successful pilot project, Council approved the Urban Hens licensing by-law that will licence, regulate and govern urban hens. A one-time licence fee of $100 will be required for anyone who wants to apply for a licence to keep backyard hens. The Town will provide education materials to anyone applying for an urban hens licence. For more information, visit georgina.ca/**UrbanHens**.

Fire and Rescue Services

It's the law to have working smoke alarms on every level of your home as well as outside every sleeping area. You could have less than two minutes to escape a fire in your home. Smoke alarms give you and your family early warning and time to get out of the house if a fire starts. Set a monthly reminder to test the smoke alarms in your home by pressing the test button. Change the batteries in smoke alarms at least once a year and replace the entire device every 10 years. Over time, smoke alarms become less sensitive and may not alert you to an emergency as quickly. Consider installing a smoke alarm and carbon monoxide combination unit. These devices can also come with a battery that never needs changing for the life of the device. For added protection, install smoke alarms in every bedroom or ones that are interconnected. For more fire safety information, visit georgina.ca/**fire**.

Notice of open house and statutory public meeting
Respecting the Keswick Secondary Plan Review

You are invited to attend an open house on:
Thursday, April 27, 2022 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The open house will be held in an electronic format through the Zoom platform. Registration for this event is required. Email KSPR@georgina.ca to register.
And a public meeting on:
Thursday, April 27, 2022 at 7 p.m.
The meeting will be held in an electronic format through the Town website and can viewed at georgina.ca/**CouncilMeetings**.
Note: this proposal, along with other matters, will be dealt with in the order that they appear on the agenda or as Council may determine.
Subject: Keswick Secondary Plan Review
Ward Councillors: Ward 1 (Mike Waddington), Ward 2 (Dan Fellini) and Ward 3 (Dave Neeson)

The Town of Georgina is in the process of reviewing and updating the Keswick Secondary Plan. The Secondary Plan is a long-range planning policy document that manages land use, growth and development within the community of Keswick. The review deals with lands located within the Keswick Secondary Plan, as shown on the key map below. The purpose of the open house is to give members of the public an opportunity to provide comment and ask questions about Draft #2 of Keswick Secondary Plan in an informal setting. The purpose of the statutory public meeting will be to present Draft #2 of the Keswick Secondary Plan to Council and the public in order to receive comments and feedback. A copy of Draft #2 of the Keswick Secondary Plan is available for viewing online at georgina.ca/**KSPR**. Town File: 02.195; Direct inquiries and comments to Tolek A. Makarewicz, Senior Policy Planner, at 905-476-4301, ext. 2297 or tmakarewicz@georgina.ca. Reference the above file number in all communications.
Additional information: For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact the above-noted planner. If you wish to be notified of the decision of Town Council of the Town of Georgina on the proposed official plan amendment, you must make a written request to the above-noted planner.
Additional material relating to the proposed official plan amendment is available for viewing online at georgina.ca/**KSPR**. The staff report to be considered by Council will be available online as of Thursday, April 21, 2022 through the Council agenda which is posted at georgina.ca/**CouncilMeetings**.
Proving comment: Due to COVID-19, the Town is currently holding virtual Council meetings. The session starts at 7 p.m. The Town is using the ZOOM platform for the meetings, in addition to the usual broadcast through the Town's live Internet streaming tool. Residents can participate by providing email comments to the Office of the Town Clerk at clerks@georgina.ca no later than noon the day before a scheduled meeting. Public comments regarding an item on the agenda will be addressed during the meeting and the email received will be entered into the public record of the meeting.
For those who wish to make verbal representation at the virtual Council meeting, a Request to Speak Form must be completed and submitted to the Office of the Town Clerk at clerks@georgina.ca no later by noon on the last business day prior to a scheduled meeting to pre-register. Request to Speak Forms can be found at georgina.ca/**CouncilMeetings**. When you are confirmed as a registered speaker, you will be provided with codes and instructions to participate in the virtual Council meeting.
Notice of collection: Personal information collected in response to this planning notice or in relation to this application will be used to assist Town staff and Council to process the application and make a decision on this matter. Such personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the Planning Act, and all other relevant legislation, and will become part of the public record, may be viewed by the general public, and may be published in a planning report and Council agenda. Questions about this collection may be directed to the Town Clerk, Rachel Dillabough, at 905-476-4301, ext. 2223, or by email to rdillabough@georgina.ca.

Career opportunities

Take a look at what Georgina has to offer and join our talented team. We are currently recruiting for:

- Associate, Service Georgina
- Clerk Services Coordinator
- Licensing Coordinator
- Tax and Revenue Supervisor
- Records Management Student

Visit georgina.ca/**careers** for more information.