



GEORGINA

Council Highlights

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2021 Development applications semi-annual update

Council received the report and [presentation](#) which provided an update on the status of development applications under review by the Town. Currently, there are 24 applications for plan of subdivision or plan of condominium approval, two applications for official plan amendment, 26 applications for zoning by-law amendment, and 26 applications for site plan approval. These applications propose approximately 4,000 new residential dwelling units. Council also approved the recommendation to forward a copy of the report to Karen Whitney, York Region Director of Community Planning and Development Services, Planning and Economic Development Branch, Corporate Services, and, to Wendy Kemp, Director, Infrastructure Asset Management (Acting) at York Region.

Sanitary sewer and water servicing allocation distribution

Council received the [report](#) and the [presentation](#) that provided recommendations on adjustments to the Town's servicing allocation distribution for Keswick, the Keswick Business Park, Willow Beach and surrounding serviced lakeshore residential areas and Sutton/Jackson's Point to facilitate future planned growth. The resolution adopted by Council directed the re-distribution of servicing allocation from the Keswick Business Park, where short-term constraints to sanitary sewer capacity exist, to Keswick. The redistribution facilitates the continuation of the development program in Keswick. Council further adopted a resolution rescinding an earlier resolution pausing the final consideration of development applications in Keswick requiring servicing allocation until the completion of the Keswick Secondary Plan Review. Further resolutions adopted by Council directed some minor re-distribution of servicing allocation in Sutton/Jackson's Point to different development categories as well as a request for York Region to reinstate the expansion of the SWRRF in the Region's 10-year Capital Projects Plan.

Progress report and next steps for implementing the Broadband Strategy

Council received the report, the [presentation](#) by staff and the [presentation](#) by YorkNet, which provided an update and recommended next steps for implementing the Broadband Strategy. Work will continue to leverage the South Shore Community Broadband tower infrastructure by leasing it to internet service providers (ISPs) to provide better service in underserved areas. As well, the Town will continue to work with YorkNet to attract ISPs to utilize its fibre infrastructure to provide enhanced broadband service throughout Georgina. Council approved the recommendations including that staff explore partnerships and pilot project opportunities with ISPs and other organizations to further investigate potential technology solutions for expanding broadband in Georgina. Other recommendations approved included exploring the hosting of an annual innovation and connectivity conference in Georgina, and endorsement of the broadband roadmap.

Motion from Councillor Dave Neeson for the consideration of the Town of Georgina Council

Council endorsed a resolution from Councillor Dave Neeson:

That the Council of the Town of Georgina directs its Director of Human Resources to investigate and report back on a potential program whereby up to ten (10) paid sick days or other options will be available to any worker for the Town of Georgina who does not currently have access to the benefit of paid sick leave as a public health measure to stop the spread of COVID-19.

Staff will report back to Council at the meeting of May 19.

Closed session

In regard to the Closed Session item of the agenda being an education or training session, section 239 (3.1) of the Municipal Act, BFL Education and Training respecting Insurance Claims and Risk Management, that, Council receive the education and training session provided by BFL Canada.

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.