



## The Corporation of the Township of Malahide

### CORRESPONDENCE AGENDA

October 7, 2021 – 7:30 p.m.

#### (F) Correspondence:

1. Association of Municipalities of Ontario - Watch File – dated September 16, 23 and 30, 2021. **(Pages C3 - 11)**
2. City of Sarnia, Municipality of Chatham-Kent – Resolution requesting the Province to take additional and meaningful steps to address the increasing problem of “Renovictions”. **(Page C12 - 13)**
3. Municipality of Chatham-Kent, Town of Kingsville – Resolution requesting the Provincial Government recognize the value that access to quality eye care brings to all Ontarians and act now to protect it; and address the OHIP-insured eye care immediately and enter into legally binding negotiations with Ontario Optometrists to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery, prior to any job action taking place. **(Pages C14 - 17)**
4. Township of Huron-Kinloss – Resolution supporting Northumberland County and City of Toronto in their plea to include in Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act and take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the legislation regarding Part 1 and Part II offences in the Provincial Offences Court. **(Page C18 - 31)**
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6. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Correspondence providing a Site Plan Control Guide enabling municipalities to reduce red tape and streamline development approvals. **(Page C33)**

7. County of Elgin – Correspondence advising the County will review the intersection of Ron McNeil Line and Imperial Road to determine if any safety enhancements can be implemented during the reconstruction of Imperial Road and the completion of the County's Transportation Master Plan. **(Page C34)**
8. County of Elgin – Correspondence advising the County will review the intersection of Imperial Road and John Wise Line to determine if any safety enhancements can be implemented and be reviewed during the completion of the County of Elgin Transportation Masterplan. **(Page C35)**
9. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Correspondence advising of the expiry of the temporary regulations limiting municipal authority to regular construction noise. **(Pages C36 - 37)**
10. Town of Aylmer – Notice of General Amendment to the Town of Aylmer Zoning By-law No. 57-99 (Housekeeping). **(Page C38)**

## Diana Wilson

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September 16, 2021

### In This Issue

- Municipal Modernization Program open for applications.
- Ministry of Infrastructure announces new broadband procurement process.
- Spaces remain for in demand Human Rights & Indigenous Community training.
- Municipal Cyber Security Forum.
- Accessibility and year-end deadlines.
- Virtual Risk Management Symposium October 5 & 6.
- Energy Reporting deadline extended to October 15.
- Blog: Protect against signature fraud and identity theft.
- Canoe: Goodyear Tire Price Increase coming soon!
- New High Interest Savings Account (HISA) with National Bank.
- Attend Pollution Probe's September 21 workshop on Enbridge's DSM plan.
- Careers: City of Waterloo and Municipality of Casselman.

### Provincial Matters

Municipalities can apply for intake three of the Municipal Modernization Program until October 19, 2021. Funding will support digital modernization, service integration, streamlined development approvals and shared services/alternative delivery models. Visit [www.Ontario.ca/getfunding](http://www.Ontario.ca/getfunding) for complete details. Webinars to assist with applications will be announced shortly.

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### Eye on Events

AMO has developed training to support its members in some of the most sensitive and current issues: Human Rights and Equity and Indigenous Community Awareness. A few spaces are still available for fall sessions.

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The mornings of October 5 & 6 you can learn about the environmental impacts on your municipalities and how to reduce the risks. [Register](#) to participate live. If you can't make the date, note that all registrants will have access to the event for 30 days after the date.

## **LAS**

Did you miss the [O.Reg. 507/18](#) annual energy reporting deadline? The Ministry of Energy will accept [2019 consumption data](#) up to October 15. Please email [BPSSupport@ontario.ca](mailto:BPSSupport@ontario.ca) if you have any questions about the regulation.

A professional seal is a guarantee of public protection, but engineers and architects have seen their seals and/or plans stolen from them, only to be subsequently accepted by authorities. [Read more](#) about how to protect your municipality against identity theft.

Effective October 1, Goodyear Canada will [raise tire prices](#) by up to 8% due to changes in the market. Beat the price increase! [Contact Tanner](#) to find out how to order your tires through the [Canoe Procurement Group](#) before it's too late.

## **ONE Investment**

ONE brings another [HISA provider](#) onboard: National Bank in the coming weeks. Submit your interest and questions today by emailing [one@oneinvestment.ca](mailto:one@oneinvestment.ca). The account is fully liquid with no transactional or monthly fee that provides higher interest on deposits than a typical savings account.

## **Municipal Wire\***

Pollution Probe is inviting municipal participants for a second workshop on September 21st from 1-3pm to discuss Enbridge's Natural Gas DSM Plan for Ontario. If interested, RSVP for the workshop [here](#).

## **Careers**

[Senior Sustainability Officer - City of Waterloo](#). Reporting within the CAO's Office, the Senior Sustainability Officer will lead corporate and community sustainability plans and actions, with a significant focus on climate change action. For more details and to apply on-line, please visit: [www.waterloo.ca/careers](http://www.waterloo.ca/careers).

[Treasurer - Municipality of Casselman](#). Under the CAO's authority, the selected person is responsible for coordinating the operations of the finance department. Application deadline by Wednesday, September 29, 2021, at 3 p.m.

[Chief Administrative Officer - Municipality of Casselman](#). The CAO is responsible for the

overall planning, co-ordination and administration of the Municipality and more.  
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September 23, 2021

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- Municipal Cyber Security Forum.
- Accessibility and year-end deadlines.
- Register today: Virtual Risk Management Symposium.
- Spaces remain for in demand Human Rights & Navigating Conflict Relations training.
- Energy reporting deadline extended to October 15.
- Canoe procurement webinar: Supply chain update.
- LED upgrades save real municipal dollars!
- Come on a treasure hunt to find energy savings!
- Get fleets ready for winter with new tires.
- Join the virtual Waterloo Innovation Summit on September 28.
- Careers and RFP: Niagara Region, MEDJCT, Quinte West and Goderich.

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today!

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The Virtual Risk Management Symposium will feature discussions on emergency preparedness, tools, strategies, and financial planning to assist municipalities as they plan for and manage our new climate realities. The entire Symposium will be recorded and available for 30 days to all registrants.

AMO has developed training to support its members in some of the most sensitive and current issues including human rights and equity and developing skills in navigating conflict relationships. A few spaces are still available for fall sessions.

## **LAS**

Did you miss the O.Reg. 507/18 annual energy reporting deadline? The Ministry of Energy will accept 2019 consumption data up to October 15. Please email BPSsupport@ontario.ca if you have any questions about the regulation.

The pandemic has impacted supply chains around the world, and these impacts are being felt by municipalities when procuring supplies and equipment. Join representatives from Canoe Procurement Group and some of our key vendors on October 6 at 10am to learn what to expect as you prep your 2022 budgets. Register here.

Older lighting technology accounts for appx. 20 - 30% of energy cost in facilities. With over 65 LED upgrade projects, municipalities are now collectively saving over \$1 million annually through LAS' Facility Lighting Service. Contact Christian Tham for a free proposal just in time for your 2022 budget.

LAS Energy Training workshops and Treasure Hunt have found significant energy savings opportunities. With more than 300 attendees over 54 workshops, many have found savings in their own buildings worth tens of thousands dollars. Contact Christian Tham to book your custom workshop this fall and start saving money.

Get your fleets ready for winter with new tires through the Canoe Procurement Group. Simply contact one of our four vendors (Michelin, Goodyear, Kal Tire, Tirecraft) and request the Canoe pricing. Got questions? Contact Tanner today.

## **Municipal Wire\***

The Waterloo Innovation Summit is back on September 28, 9 a.m. to lead a 90-minute virtual discussion with business and policy leaders on the imperative to recalibrate policies and models in response to dramatically shifting innovation ecosystems. Hosted by the University of Waterloo. Register today.

## **Careers**

Associate Director, Traffic Systems & Operations, & Associate Director, Transportation Operations - Niagara Region. The Associate Director Traffic Systems & Operations is responsible for the overall management of the Traffic Systems and Operations section.

The Associate Director Transportation Operations is responsible for the overall management of the Transportation Operations unit. Apply online by visiting our 'Careers' page at [www.niagararegion.ca](http://www.niagararegion.ca).

Senior Program Advisor - Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade. Are you interested in supporting the Province's investment attraction efforts and promoting economic development in Ontario by working with global investors considering Ontario for their next expansion? If so, the Site Selection Unit at MEDJCT is currently hiring 3 Senior Program Advisors. Interested applicants are invited to apply [here](#).

Director of Community Services and Strategic Partnerships - City of Quinte West. Reporting to the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), the position is responsible for the efficient and effective planning, administration, maintenance and operation of all services, activities, programs and facilities in the City of Quinte West. Qualified applicants are invited to apply [online](#) by October 3, 2021.

Director of Corporate Services - City of Quinte West. Reporting to the CAO, the position is responsible to the CAO and Council on all statutory, operational and custodial matters affecting the corporate services of the municipality. Qualified applicants are invited to apply [online](#) by October 3, 2021.

Director of Financial Services - City of Quinte West. Reporting to the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), the position is responsible for performing the statutory duties of the Treasurer for the City of Quinte West and for providing advice on fiscal, financial and accounting matters to the CAO and Council. Qualified applicants are invited to apply [online](#) by October 3, 2021.

RFP - Affordable/Attainable Housing Community Improvement Plan - Town of Goderich. The Town of Goderich is seeking the services of a qualified consulting team with experience in Community Improvement planning and project facilitation to undertake the development of a Community Improvement Plan. All proposals must be submitted electronically in PDF format to [afisher@goderich.ca](mailto:afisher@goderich.ca) and copied to [apiskorski@goderich.ca](mailto:apiskorski@goderich.ca). Proposal Closing October 8, 2021.

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- Report out on September 24, 2021 AMO Board meeting.
- Distributed Energy Resources discussion paper now posted.
- AMO's participation in the provincial Climate Change Impact Assessment.
- Municipal Modernization Program open for applications.
- Municipal Cyber Security Forum.
- Accessibility and year-end deadlines.
- Risk Management Symposium: Register now.
- Spaces remain for in demand Human Rights & Navigating Conflict Relations training.
- Free asset management on-demand webinar series.
- Energy reporting deadline extended to October 15.
- Canoe procurement webinar: Supply chain update.
- A Canoe launch event is coming!
- Blog: A Walk Down Environmental Lane.
- ONE Investment podcast: Fixed Income Investing & Changing Interest Rates.
- Careers: City of Guelph.

### AMO Matters

*NOTE: AMO will be closed on September 30 in observance of a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.*

AMO President Graydon Smith [recaps the highlights](#) of the September 24, 2021 AMO Board meeting.

AMO is pleased to provide a [discussion paper](#) on the impacts of Distributed Energy Resources (DERs) on municipalities. This is the fourth paper released as part of [AMO's Climate Change Series Papers](#).

### Provincial Matters

AMO is pleased to be participating in the province's first-ever multi-sector climate

change impact assessment. Work is underway now, and more info can be found [here](#).

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There is only one week left until the virtual [Risk Management Symposium](#). If you attend live, you will have the opportunity to ask our presenters questions. As a bonus, we're recording all sessions, which you can access for 30-days.

AMO has developed [training to support](#) its members in some of the most sensitive and current issues including human rights and equity and developing skills in navigating conflict relationships. A few spaces are still available for fall sessions.

The asset management webinar series will introduce tools and templates piloted with a group of municipalities in partnership with FCM's [Municipal Asset Management Program](#). First webinar on "Leadership and Governance in Asset Management" is on Friday, October 08 at 1:00 p.m. EST. [Click here to Register](#).

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Budget season is coming soon and it may be challenging to figure out COVID-19 impacts. Join representatives from [Canoe Procurement Group](#) and some of our key vendors on October 6 at 10 am to learn what to expect from current supply chain challenges and how to manage them. [Register here](#).

The [Canoe brand](#) launched this past spring. Now there's an opportunity to attend an event dedicated to all things Canoe. Learn more about this valuable buying program on October 27 from 11 am - 5 pm alongside your peers from other municipal associations all across Canada with this one-day event. [Register now](#) and save the date.

LAS' customer service representative writes about [how the environment changed before her eyes](#), from youth to present. She ponders the question: Is it too late to do something

about it?

## ONE Investment

Podcast: Main Street to Bay Street: Fixed Income Investing and Changing Interest Rates - Listen to ONE Investment team talk about the optimal fixed income strategy during the current low interest rate environment. How can investors position their portfolios in response to the rate changes?

## Careers

Manager of Court Operations - City of Guelph. Reporting to the General Manager of Legal, Realty and Court Services/City Solicitor, this position will manage the Court Operations Section of the City's Court Services Division including court administration, in-court support functions, court-related financial operations and fine enforcement activities. Apply online by October 17, 2021.

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September 17, 2021

Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier,

**RE: Renovictions**

At its meeting held on September 13, 2021, Sarnia City Council adopted the following resolution with respect to "Renovictions":

***That Sarnia City Council request that the Government of Ontario take additional and meaningful steps to address the ever increasing problem of "Renovictions" in The Province of Ontario. Citizens and communities are hurt by these unscrupulous practices which can and does directly impact the affordable housing crisis, as well as inflict damage (both financially and mentally) particularly on our most vulnerable citizens; and***

***That this correspondence also be sent to other Municipalities in Ontario for their consideration and possible endorsement.***

Your consideration of this matter is respectfully requested.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ABurkhart', written over a horizontal line.

Amy Burkhart  
City Clerk

Cc: The Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General  
Bob Bailey, MPP  
All Ontario Municipalities

September 28, 2021

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General

**Support Resolution from the Council of Sarnia passed September 13<sup>th</sup> re  
Renovictions**

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent at its regular meeting held on September 27, 2021 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

“That Chatham-Kent Council support the resolution from the City of Sarnia requesting that the Government of Ontario take additional and meaningful steps to address the ever increasing problem of “Renovictions” in The Province of Ontario. Citizens and communities are hurt by these unscrupulous practices which can and does directly impact the affordable housing crisis, as well as inflict damage (both financially and mentally) particularly on our most vulnerable citizens; and

That this correspondence be sent to other Municipalities in Ontario for their consideration and possible endorsement.”

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Judy Smith at [judys@chatham-kent.ca](mailto:judys@chatham-kent.ca)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Judy Smith', is placed over a light yellow rectangular background.

Judy Smith, CMO  
Director Municipal Governance  
Clerk /Freedom of Information Coordinator

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Local MP & MPP  
Ontario Municipalities

September 28, 2021

To:

Premier Doug Ford – [doug.fordco@pc.ola.org](mailto:doug.fordco@pc.ola.org)

Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliott – [christine.elliott@pc.ola.org](mailto:christine.elliott@pc.ola.org)

Ontario Association of Optometrists – [oaoinfo@optom.on.ca](mailto:oaoinfo@optom.on.ca)

**Support Resolution from the Council of Trent Lakes passed September 7<sup>th</sup> re  
OHIP Eye Care**

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent at its regular meeting held on September 27, 2021 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

“That Chatham-Kent Council support the resolution from Trent Lakes:

Whereas routine eye care is critical in early detection of eye diseases like glaucoma, cataracts, and macular degeneration, and the health of eyes is critical to overall health and quality of life; and

Whereas conditions that may be detected with an annual eye exam include Diabetes mellitus, Glaucoma, Cataract, Retinal disease, Amblyopia (lazy eye), Visual field defects (loss of part of the usual field of vision), Corneal disease, Strabismus (crosses eyes), Recurrent uveitis (an inflammation of the uvea, the middle layer of the eye that consists of the iris, ciliary body and choroid), Optic pathway disease; and

Whereas payments from OHIP have only increased 9% over the last 30 years, which has not come close to matching inflation of costs (which include rent, staff, utilities, equipment, taxes and supplies); and

Whereas the lack of funding makes it difficult to invest in modern technology, and newer technology means earlier detection of eye disease; and

Whereas the Provincial government’s refusal to formally negotiate with Optometrists for more than 30 years has forced the Optometrists to absorb approximately 173 Million dollars annually in the cost to deliver eye care to Ontarians; and

Whereas the 2021 Ontario Budget did not address OHIP-insured eye care, Ontario Optometrists took action and voted to withdraw OHIP services starting September 1, 2021, unless the government agrees to legally-binding negotiations to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery; and

Whereas this job action will jeopardize good eyecare for those who need the care of an optometrist the most and will have the greatest impact on the most vulnerable groups. Children, who's lifetime ability to learn and develop depends on good vision and to the elderly, who are at the greatest risk for vision-threatening ocular diseases;

Now Therefore, be it resolved that the Municipality of Chatham-Kent requests that the Provincial government recognize the value that access to quality eye care brings to all Ontarians and act now to protect it; and further

That the Provincial government address the OHIP-insured eye care immediately and enter into legally-binding negotiations with Ontario Optometrists to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery, prior to any job action taking place; and further

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliot, to the Ontario Association of Optometrists, and to all municipalities in Ontario."

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Judy Smith at [judys@chatham-kent.ca](mailto:judys@chatham-kent.ca)

Sincerely,



Judy Smith, CMO  
Director Municipal Governance  
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October 1, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier:

**RE: KINGSVILLE COUNCIL SUPPORT OF SAVE EYE CARE IN ONTARIO**

At its Regular Meeting held Monday, September 27, 2021 Council of the Town of Kingsville passed a Resolution in support of Save Eye Care in Ontario as follows:

**“580-2021**

**Moved By** Councillor Laura Lucier  
**Seconded By** Councillor Thomas Neufeld

**Whereas** routine eye care is critical in early detection of eye diseases like glaucoma, cataracts, and macular degeneration, and the health of eyes is critical to overall health and quality of life; and

**Whereas** conditions that may be detected with an annual eye exam include Diabetes mellitus, Glaucoma, Cataract, Retinal disease, Amblyopia (lazy eye), Visual field defects (loss of part of the usual field of vision), Corneal disease, Strabismus (crosses eyes), Recurrent uveitis (an inflammation of the uvea, the middle layer of the eye that consists of the iris, ciliary body and choroid), Optic pathway disease; and

**Whereas** payments from OHIP have only increased 9% over the last 30 years, which has not come close to matching inflation of costs (which include rent, staff, utilities, equipment, taxes and supplies); and

**Whereas** the lack of funding makes it difficult to invest in modern technology, and newer technology means earlier detection of eye disease; and

**Whereas** the Provincial government's refusal to formally negotiate with Optometrists for more than 30 years has forced the Optometrists to absorb approximately 173 Million dollars annually in the cost to deliver eye care to Ontarians; and



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**Now Therefore Be It Resolved** that The Corporation of the Town of Kingsville requests that the Provincial government recognize the value that access to quality eye care brings to all Ontarians and act now to protect it; and further

**That** the Provincial government address the OHIP-insured eye care immediately and enter into legally-binding negotiations with Ontario Optometrists to fund these services at least to the cost of delivery, prior to any job action taking place; and further

**That** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Ford, Ontario Minister of Health Christine Elliot, MPP Taras Natyshak, to the Ontario Association of Optometrists, and to all municipalities in Ontario.

**CARRIED"**

Yours very truly,



Sandra Kitchen, Acting Clerk  
Legislative Services Department  
skitchen@kingsville.ca

Enclosure

cc: Honourable Christine Elliott, Ontario Minister of Health  
Taras Natyshak, MPP, Essex  
Chris Lewis, MP, Essex  
Ontario Association of Optometrists  
All Ontario Municipalities

Ministry of the Attorney General  
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720 Bay Street, 11<sup>th</sup> floor  
Toronto, Ontario  
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September 21, 2021

Via Email [attorneygeneral@ontario.ca](mailto:attorneygeneral@ontario.ca)

Re: Copy of Resolution #651

Motion No.: 651

Moved by: Don Murray Seconded by: Lillian Abbott

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby supports Northumberland County and the City of Toronto in their plea to include in Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act and take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the legislation by making it easier and more convenient for the public and prosecutors to engage in resolution discussions and by making it more effective and efficient to administer early resolution proceedings for Part I and Part II offences in the Provincial Offences Court AND directs staff to distribute as they see fit

**Carried**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kelly Lush', written in a cursive style.

Kelly Lush  
Deputy Clerk

c.c all Ontario Municipalities

## Finance & Audit Committee Resolution

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**Committee Meeting Date:** July 6, 2021  
**Agenda Item:** 9b  
**Resolution Number:** 2021-07-06-465  
**Moved by:** R. Crake  
**Seconded by:** W. Cane  
**Council Meeting Date:** July 21, 2021

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**“That** the Finance and Audit Committee, having considered Report 2021-115, ‘Municipal Court Managers’ Association / POA Advocacy’ recommend that County Council request the Attorney General of Ontario to halt the proclamation of the Early Resolution reforms included in Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act and take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the legislation by making it easier and more convenient for the public and prosecutors to engage in resolution discussions, and by making it more effective and efficient to administer early resolution proceedings for Part I and Part II offences in the Provincial Offences Court; and

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Carried   
 Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
 Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
 Committee Chair's Signature

## Council Resolution

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Moved By J. Henderson

Agenda  
Item 10

Resolution Number  
2021-07-21-491

Seconded By S. Arthur

Council Date: July 21, 2021

"**That** County Council adopt all recommendations from the five Standing Committees, as contained within the Committees' Minutes (July 5, 6, 7, 2021 meetings), with the exception of any items identified by Members, which Council has/will consider separately, including Item 9f of this agenda, the 'Thompson Bridge Closure'."

Recorded Vote  
Requested by

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Councillor's Name

Carried

  
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Warden's Signature

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Warden's Signature

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## Report 2021-115

<b>Report Title:</b>	Municipal Court Managers' Association / POA Advocacy
<b>Committee Name:</b>	Finance and Audit Committee
<b>Committee Meeting Date:</b>	July 3, 2021
<b>Prepared by:</b>	Randy Horne, Court Services Manager
<b>Reviewed by:</b>	Glenn Dees, Director of Finance/Treasurer
<b>Approved by:</b>	Jennifer Moore, CAO
<b>Council Meeting Date:</b>	July 21, 2021
<b>Strategic Plan Priorities:</b>	Leadership in Change

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### Recommendation

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## **Purpose**

Immediate regulatory and legislative changes are critical to delivering services to the public by putting in place the most modern, efficient, and effective justice system attainable.

The proposed Early Resolution reforms in Bill 177 Stronger, Fairer Ontario Act do not fully support the objectives of the Ministry of the Attorney General pertaining to creating a modernized and efficient justice system. These changes create procedural barriers that prevent reasonable and effective access to court procedures by replacing a simplified process currently in place with a complex lengthy process.

## **Background**

Northumberland County is not currently opted into the formal Early Resolution process as provided for in the Provincial Offences Act (POA). Early Resolution discussions occur informally, scheduled with the Prosecution Team for all defendants (or their agents) who indicate option 3 (Trial) in response to a Part I (or Part II) charge.

The existing Early Resolution legislation (formal process) provides persons charged with minor offences under Part I (or Part II) of the POA with an option to meet with the prosecutor to resolve matters without the necessity of a trial proceeding. The informal early resolution regime has largely been successful in Northumberland County; providing timely access to justice and being the first POA proceedings to resume during the COVID -19 emergency. The number of Part I matters processed through the early resolution option is approximately 25% of all new charges filed annually and the resolution rate (pre-Trial) is approximately 90%. Approximately 20% of charges Fail to Respond and are convicted in absentia, while 55% of charge fines are paid without a Resolution Meeting or Trial.

The level of public participation in exercising an Early Resolution option in Northumberland County is a clear indication that whether opted into the formal Early Resolution process, or not, the rules under the existing Early Resolution section of the POA are easy for the public to understand and provides access to the justice system for minor offences.

## **Consultations**

The Municipal Court Managers Association (MCMA) has conducted a detailed review of the impact the proposed changes will have on administrative processes and resources. The Bill

177 changes to the formal Early Resolution section of the POA will increase processing steps from the existing 15 administrative processes to over 70 processes. This represents an increase in processes of over 400%. Although Northumberland County has digitized and modernized administrative processes to permit the defendant to file their request digitally, the POA court remains dependent upon the Province's antiquated adjudicative case management system (ICON). Given the lack of a modern adjudicative case management system, the impact of the additional and complex legislative processes under the proposed changes to the Early Resolution section of the POA would likely require additional full time Court Clerks to administer the proposed lengthy and complex early resolution process, should Northumberland County choose to opt into the formal Early Resolution process to take advantage of proposed efficiencies in the legislation.

Simplifying the POA to provide for a more efficient, effective justice system with more convenience and proportionate options to the public for minor offences under Part I of the POA, should not require an increase in processes. Permitting any (formal or informal) early resolution meeting to be held in writing and permitting the filing of written agreements between the prosecutor and defendant to be registered administratively as a court outcome by the Court Clerk immediately provides an accessible streamlined efficient and modern court system to the public.

## **Legislative Authority/Risk Considerations**

The current legislative framework for formal (opted-in) Early Resolution consists of one (1) section with 27 subsections or paragraphs supported by approximately 15 administrative processes. This legislative framework permits a defendant to request a meeting with the prosecutor, request a change to the appointment date once, attend a meeting with the prosecutor and have the outcome of the early resolution meeting recorded by the court on the same day as the meeting.

The proposed changes to the Early Resolution section of the POA under Bill 177 creates a more complex legislative framework for formal Early Resolution process, with five (5) sections and 43 subsections, paragraphs or subparagraphs. This represents an approximate 60% increase to the number of rules.

## **Discussion/Options**

### **Operational pressures that existed prior to the pandemic have become more pronounced and need to be met with legislative reforms to enable timely recovery of Provincial Offences Courts**

POA Courts has long advocated for legislative reforms streamlining and modernizing Provincial Offences Courts in support of equitable and timely access to justice. Immediate regulatory and legislative changes are critical to delivering services to the public by putting in place the most modern, efficient, and effective justice system attainable. The attached MCMA request seeks to align and validate the POA courts position on the following legislative barriers:

1. Halting the proclamation of the Early Resolution reforms included in Bill 177 and requesting to take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the

legislation. Under the proposed amendment, complex time periods and rules will be introduced including a redundant abandonment period, and delay in recoding of court outcomes which will result in multiple defendant appearances.

2. Enact changes to the *Provincial Offences Act* and any related regulations to permit the prosecutor and defendant or legal representative to agree, at any stage of a proceeding, to a resolution in writing. By so conserving court time and judicial resources.
3. Ministry of Transportation in consultation with municipalities consider suspending (temporarily) the imposition of demerit points for persons who pay their ticket in cases where they have no previous relevant convictions.

Throughout 2020, three separate orders were issued by the Ontario Court of Justice and the Province adjourning all court matters, suspending all *Provincial Offences Act* timelines and later extending these timelines into 2021.

The Chief Justice of Ontario and the Province of Ontario issued separate emergency orders in response to the pandemic throughout 2020 directly impacting Court Services operations.

A set of orders issued by the Chief Justice of Ontario and the Province built on each other and affected the legislative timelines under the *Provincial Offences Act*, meaning that the typical timeframe to respond to a ticket or other court matters governed by the *Provincial Offences Act* no longer applied. The orders extended timelines from March 16, 2020 through to and including February 26, 2021.

Simultaneously, the Chief Justice of Ontario also issued a set of orders that adjourned all court matters from March 16, 2020 until January 25, 2021. This resulted in postponing of over 2,000 trial matters until 2021, at the earliest. As part of court recovery, the Chief Justice advised Provincial Offence Courts that non-trial matters could go ahead by audio hearings by September 28, 2020 and that the resumption of remote trials could go forward as early as January 25, 2021, dependent on local judicial approval and court readiness. In-person trials would continue to be adjourned until the court schedule is approved by the Regional Senior Justice of the Peace, and all health and safety measures have been implemented.

The recovery of Provincial Offence courts was impeded by lack of timely direction from the Province concerning the resumption of services. While the provincial objective was to provide a consistent approach to the resumption of Provincial Offences Courts, priority was given to resuming Criminal Court operations. This often resulted in changing timelines and direction. Coupled with the existing issue of limited judicial resources which was intensified throughout the pandemic, Court Services could not effectively respond to the growing volume of pending cases which directly impacted the public's access to justice.

### **Bill 177 aims to modernize and streamline the Provincial Offences Courts**

Legislative amendments to the *Provincial Offences Act* were passed by the Ontario Legislature in December 2017 under Schedule 35 of Bill 177 *Stronger, Fairer Ontario Act*. These amendments include reforming of the Early Resolution process, improving the collection of default fines, and expanding the powers of the clerk of the court. However, the proposed Early



Resolution reforms came short as they do not fully support the objectives of the Ministry of the Attorney General pertaining to creating a modernized and efficient justice system.

In December 2019, the Ministry of the Attorney General advised that it intends to implement Bill 177 amendments through a phased approach. To date the Attorney General has only proclaimed and implemented section 48.1 allowing for use of certified evidence for all Part I proceedings. The rest of Bill 177 amendments are scheduled to be proclaimed later in 2021.

**Bill 177 reforms to the legislated Early Resolution process will prevent reasonable and effective access to court procedures by creating a complex and lengthy process**

Early Resolution is an optional program Provincial Offences Courts can offer allowing defendants who opt to dispute their charges to request a meeting with a prosecutor to resolve the charges prior to a trial.

Under the proposed amendment, when a defendant attends a meeting with the prosecutor, the outcome is not recorded by the court immediately and there is a myriad of rules to navigate that result in a court outcome. For example, depending on the agreement, a defendant may have to appear before a Justice of the Peace to register the agreement and there are potential additional appearances required by the defendant and the prosecutor before an outcome is registered by the court. In addition, there are multiple complex time periods and myriad of rules including a redundant abandonment period before an outcome is registered. The inclusion of a proposed abandonment period is redundant as fairness and administrative of justice principles already exist in other sections of the *Provincial Offences Act* including the right to appeal a conviction or a sentence. The complexity of the numerous additional rules will not be easily understood by the public and will hinder access to justice.

Early Resolution process could aid in municipal Provincial Offences Court recovery if the section amendments were edited to make it easy and more convenient for the public and prosecutors to engage in resolution discussions. Northumberland County Court Services would reconsider offering a formal Early Resolution option if the Ministry of the Attorney General were to make it more effective and efficient to administer Early Resolution proceedings.

**Closure of courts due to the pandemic resulted in a decrease in fine payments and increased pending caseload**

The extension of *Provincial Offences Act* timelines, along with the continued closure of court hearings impacted many of Court Services operational drivers. While court front counters were reopened in 2020 to provide essential administrative services, the ability to process charges and to address pending caseload was greatly impeded.

In turn, court revenue was impacted by operational instabilities such as, extension of the requirement to pay and defaulting of a fine. It is important to note that this is considered a deferred revenue as all outstanding fines are debt to the Crown owed in perpetuity and never forgiven. The ability to collect on debt diminishes the older a fine becomes.

There is an understanding that defendants request trials to seek resolutions that reduce demerit points. If demerit points were suspended for a period for those acknowledging their guilt and

paying the ticket, it may encourage defendants to pay their traffic ticket, thus reducing trial requests and pressures faced by trial courts. Details such as the time period for offences to which this would apply, what to do if a person receives multiple tickets, as well as determining whether a person without any convictions within 3 or 5 years of payment is to be treated as a first offender could be determined by the ministry.

## **Financial Impact**

The recommendations contained in this report have no financial impact.

## **Member Municipality Impacts**

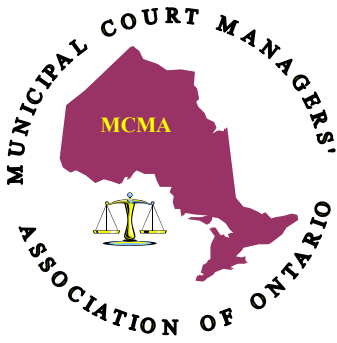
Legislative change allowing any (formal or informal) early Resolution Meeting to be held in writing and permitting the filing of written agreements between the prosecutor and defendant to be registered administratively as a court outcome by the Court Clerk would benefit Member Municipalities in their Part II/Bi-Law proceedings in alignment with County Part I and II Early Resolution Proceedings.

## **Conclusion/Outcomes**

In response to a the MCMA request for Joint Advocacy on behalf of all Ontario Municipal POA Courts, staff request that the Committee recommends that County Council pass a resolution in support for the listed MCMA recommendations.

## **Attachments**

1. Letter: MCMA Request for Joint Advocacy



## Municipal Court Managers' Association of Ontario

c/o Seat of the President  
Regional Municipality of York  
17150 Yonge St  
Newmarket ON L3Y 8V3

May 6, 2021

Dear Members,

Re: POA Streamlining and Modernization

In response to the increased pressures resulting from COVID 19, MCMA is seeking the support of POA Courts to actively lobby the Province for immediate regulatory and legislative changes. As you know, our ability to respond to Increasing caseload and declining fine revenue is limited. These proposed changes will enable flexibility for municipalities to respond to local pressures.

It is important that we leverage this opportunity to create a modern, efficient, and sustainable justice system that meets the needs of court users. The proposed changes include:

1. Halting the proclamation of the Early Resolution reforms included in Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act and take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the legislation.
2. Enacting changes to the Provincial Offences Act and any related regulations to permit the prosecutor and defendant or legal representative to agree, at any stage of a proceeding, to a resolution in writing for proceedings.
3. Requesting the Ministry of Transportation in consultation with Municipalities, consider suspending the imposition of demerit points for persons who pay their ticket in cases where they have no previous relevant convictions.
4. Make regulatory changes to allow for camera-based offences to be administered through the administrative monetary penalties.

The MCMA board has prepared some templated documents to assist in your efforts. Attached you will find: Draft Council Resolution, draft council report for ER Courts and some key messages to support discussion. We understand that support for one or all may vary depending on individual priorities and appreciate your consideration.

Should you have any questions or would like to discuss further please feel free to reach out to any member of the MCMA board.

Lisa Brooks  
MCMA President

***"Excellence in Court Administration"***



John D. Elvidge  
City Clerk

City Clerk's Office

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**TOWNSHIP OF HURON-KINLOSS**

June 24, 2021

**ONTARIO MUNICIPAL AND REGIONAL COUNCILS:**

**Subject: General Government and Licensing Committee Item 23.3  
Report on Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act Changes to Provincial  
Offences Act (Ward All)**

City Council on June 8 and 9, 2021, adopted the following resolution and has circulated it to all Municipal City Councils and Regional Councils in Ontario for support:

1. City Council request the Attorney General of Ontario to halt the proclamation of the Early Resolution reforms included in Bill 177, Stronger, Fairer Ontario Act.
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for City Clerk

M. Toft/wg

Attachment

c. City Manager

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TOWNSHIP OF BRIMLEY

## General Government and Licensing Committee

GL23.3		Adopted on Consent		Ward: All
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### Report on Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act Changes to Provincial Offences Act

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4. City Council direct that this resolution be circulated to the all Municipal City Councils and Regional Councils in Ontario for support.

#### Committee Recommendations

The General Government and Licensing Committee recommend that:

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### **Origin**

(May 7, 2021) Report from the City Solicitor and the Director, Court Services

### **Summary**

This report responds to the changes to the Provincial Offences Act under Bill 177 Stronger, Fairer Ontario Act for City Council to review and consider taking action on the staff recommendations contained herein.

### **Background Information (Committee)**

(May 7, 2021) Report from the City Solicitor and the Director, Court Services on Report on Bill 177 Stronger Fairer Ontario Act Changes to Provincial Offences Act

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2021/ql/bgrrd/backgroundfile-166871.pdf>)

Attachment 1 - Bill 177 Changes to section 5.1 of Provincial Offences Act as enacted and not proclaimed

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2021/ql/bgrrd/backgroundfile-166872.pdf>)

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Municipalities, Public Health Units, Chambers of Commerce

**From:** Grand Council Chief Reg Niganobe  
 Travis Boissoneau, Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief  
 Mel Hardy, Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief  
 James Marsden, Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief  
 Joe Miskokomon, Regional Deputy Grand Council Chief  
 Tim Ominika, Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory Representative

**CC:** Anishinabek Nation's First Nation Chiefs, Band Administrators/Directors of Operations, and Health Directors  
 Province of Ontario  
 Minister Greg Rickford, Indigenous Affairs of Ontario  
 Deputy Minister Shawn Batise, Indigenous Affairs of Ontario

**Date:** September 22, 2021

**Re:** Proof of Identification for Vaccination Passports & COVaxON

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Effective today, September 22, 2021, proof of vaccination status is required to access certain businesses and settings in the province of Ontario. This memo is intended to advise and inform organizations and businesses that the Province of Ontario has assured Anishinabek Nation that ***First Nation Status Cards (secure, unsecure, or expired) will be accepted widely and without interference or refusal***, provided the name on the card corresponds with the name on the proof of vaccination.

We, in turn, have assured the Anishinabek Nation communities of the following:

- Indian Status Cards (secure, unsecure, or expired) will be accepted as a valid form of Identification.
- The only information required is a proof of photo identification, and documentation receipt (2 doses plus 14 days from the date of the second dose). This proof can be obtained either from the provincial COVaxON system or from the First Nation organization that administered the vaccinations.
- Paper or downloaded proof of vaccination on a mobile device are both acceptable.
- No community member will be denied medical attention or service at any institution regardless of their vaccination status.

We trust that this information will be shared widely to avoid any confusion or disruption to your processes.



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234-2021-4132

September 9, 2021

Dear Head of Council:

Our government believes everyone deserves a safe and affordable place to call home. Inadequate supply and high housing costs have made housing unattainable for too many people in Ontario. We want to reduce red tape and streamline development approvals so that we can help to put affordable home ownership in reach of more Ontario families, and provide more people with the opportunity to live closer to where they work.

That is why I am pleased to provide you with this [Site Plan Control Guide](#). This guide provides an overview of site plan control and shares best practices from some communities across Ontario which municipalities may consider implementing to make the site plan process more efficient.

The Site Plan Control Guide also works to support The Provincial Policy Statement, 2020 and other recent changes to the land use planning system – including changes to the *Planning Act* through Bill 108, the *More Homes, More Choice Act, 2019* and to A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe. Collectively, these changes support key government priorities of increasing housing supply, supporting job creation and reducing red tape – while continuing to protect Ontarians' health and safety and the environment, including the Greenbelt.

If you have any questions about the Site Plan Control Guide, please email the Ministry at [provincialplanning@ontario.ca](mailto:provincialplanning@ontario.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Steve Clark'.

Steve Clark  
Minister

c: Chief Administrative Officer



**County of Elgin**  
**Office of the General Manager,**  
**Engineer, Planning & Enterprise /**  
**Deputy CAO**  
450 Sunset Drive  
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To: Adam Betteridge, Chief Administrative Officer  
Township of Malahide  
87 John Street South  
Aylmer, ON  
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(sent by email)

Re: Imperial Road at Ron McNeil Line - Road Safety Concerns

Date: September 15, 2021

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At their meeting on September 14, 2021, Elgin County Council reviewed the request from the Township of Malahide that Elgin County review the intersection safety of the intersection of Ron McNeil Line and Imperial Road.

RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to review the intersection of Ron McNeil Line and Imperial Road to determine if any safety enhancements could be implemented during the reconstruction of Imperial Road and the completion of the County's Transportation Master Plan.

Moved by Councillor / Township of Malahide Deputy Mayor Giguère  
Seconded by Deputy Warden / Township of Malahide Mayor Mennill

- Motion Carried

Yours Very Truly,

Brian Lima  
General Manager of Engineering, Planning, and Enterprise / Deputy CAO

cc. Tom Marks, Warden – Elgin County  
Dave Mennill, Deputy Warden/Mayor – Township of Malahide  
Dominique Giguère, Councillor/Deputy Mayor – Township of Malahide  
Julie Gonyou, Chief Administrative Officer / Clerk – Elgin County  
Adam Betteridge, Chief Administrative Officer – Township of Malahide  
Katherine Thompson, Manager of Administrative Services/Deputy Clerk – Elgin County

To: Adam Betteridge, Chief Administrative Officer  
Township of Malahide  
87 John Street  
South Aylmer, ON  
N5H 2C3

- (sent by email)

Re: Imperial Road at John Wise Line - Road Safety Concerns

Date: September 29, 2021

At their meeting on September 28, 2021, Elgin County Council reviewed the request from the Township of Malahide that Elgin County review the intersection safety of the intersection of Imperial Road and John Wise Line.

RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to review the intersection of Imperial Road and John Wise Line in the Township of Malahide to determine what safety enhancements could be implemented; and

THAT this intersection be reviewed during the completion of the County of Elgin Transportation Masterplan; and

THAT staff report back to Council with the results of their review.

Moved by Deputy Warden / Township of Malahide Mayor Mennill  
Seconded by Councillor / Township of Southwold Mayor Jones

- Motion Carried

Yours Very Truly,



Brian Lima  
General Manager of Engineering, Planning, and Enterprise / Deputy CAO

cc. Tom Marks, Warden – Elgin County  
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234-2021-4356

September 29, 2021

**SUBJECT: Expiry of Temporary Regulations (130/20 and 131/20) Limiting  
Municipal Authority to Regulate Construction Noise**

Dear Head of Council:

As you may know, as part of the Province's measures to respond to COVID-19, in April 2020, our government introduced temporary limits on municipal authority to regulate noise from construction to help support expedited construction of healthcare and other projects. I am writing to update you that **these changes are scheduled to expire on October 7, 2021.**

The temporary measures have supported construction of critical healthcare-related infrastructure, while helping to protect the health and safety of construction workers throughout the pandemic.

From October 7 onwards, municipalities will again have the authority to regulate construction noise in their communities at all times of day and night. Should there be priority projects that a municipality wishes to help expedite, as before, municipalities can explore addressing those projects through their local noise bylaws. If your municipality has any questions on these changes, I would encourage you to contact your local [Municipal Services Office](#).

Thank you for your continued support and collaboration throughout the COVID-19 emergency. I look forward to continuing to work together to support Ontario's communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Steve Clark'. The signature is stylized with a large 'S' and a cursive 'Clark'.

Steve Clark  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

- c: The Honourable Monte McNaughton, Minister of Labour, Training and Skills  
Development  
Municipal Chief Administrative Officers and Clerks  
Kate Manson-Smith, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Brian Rosborough, Executive Director, Association of Municipalities of Ontario

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

**PROPOSED GENERAL AMENDMENT TO THE**

**TOWN OF AYLMER ZONING BY-LAW NO. 57-99**

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Council of the Town of Aylmer will hold a virtual Public Meeting on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 7:00pm to consider a General Housekeeping Amendment to Zoning By-law No. 57-99, pursuant to Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, as amended.

**THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT** – These are Town-initiated “housekeeping” amendments that **affect all lands** in the Town of Aylmer (unless otherwise specified) as generally itemized below:

1. Amend, add and remove definitions
2. Amend, add and remove general provisions
3. Corrections to errors and omissions discovered in the By-law
4. Amend, add and remove zone requirements
5. Amend, add and remove site specific provisions
6. Amend, add and remove permitted uses
7. Amend Schedule “A” - Zoning By-law Maps
8. Amend and add to table of contents
9. Consolidation of Zoning By-law Amendments and Minor Variances

**ORAL OR WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS** may be made by the public either in support or in opposition to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment. Any person may attend the virtual Public Meeting and make an oral submission or direct a written submission to the Deputy Clerk. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, this Public Meeting will be held virtually via the Teams platform. Members of the public wishing to speak at the meeting either via Teams or via telephone will be required to register by 9:00 a.m. on October 20, 2021. Please contact the Town’s Deputy Clerk/Coordinator at [ojaggard@town.aylmer.on.ca](mailto:ojaggard@town.aylmer.on.ca)

Comments can be submitted by emailing the Town’s Deputy Clerk at any time prior to the meeting or can be dropped off or mailed to Town Hall at 46 Talbot Street West Aylmer, Ontario N5H 1J7.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** regarding the proposed amendment is available for review on the Town of Aylmer website at <https://aylmer.ca/notices> For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, please contact Christie Kent, Manager of Planning and Development at 519-773-3164 Ext. 4915 or by email at [ckent@town.aylmer.on.ca](mailto:ckent@town.aylmer.on.ca).