

Report to Council

REPORT NO.: DS-21-62

DATE: December 16, 2021

ATTACHMENT: 1) Presentation Slides from MBPC dated December 16, 2021; and, 2) Draft Official Plan Amendment

SUBJECT: TOWNSHIP OF MALAHIDE OFFICIAL PLAN COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW & FIVE-YEAR UPDATE: FINAL CONSIDERATIONS REPORT

Recommendation:

THAT Report No. DS-21-62 entitled "Township of Malahide Official Plan Comprehensive Review & Five-Year Update: Final Considerations Report" be received for information;

AND THAT Council give direction to Staff on any necessary changes to the Official Plan Amendment;

AND THAT staff be directed to finalize the amendment for Council consideration for adoption on January 6th, 2022.

Background:

In early 2019 Township Council commenced with the comprehensive review and update of its Official Plan.

Although COVID-19 and key staff changes have caused a delay in the review process, the Township CAO and the Township's planning consultant, Monteith Brown Planning Consultants ("MBPC"), have worked to get this project to a point where Council can consider it for final approval and adoption.

A Special Public Meeting was held on June 28, 2021, where MBPC provided Council and the public with their background report, comments received to date, and preliminary recommendations. Council also heard from two individuals regarding land-use changes in the hamlets of Calton and Kingsmill Corners, respectively.

Comments/Analysis:

The main purpose of a municipal official plan is to establish and set the land-use designations and policy framework in order to direct how land is to be used, including where (and how) growth and development is to occur, all in accordance with directives established by the Province through its "Provincial Policy Statement" ("PPS").

Given this, a large and critical component of any official plan review is consulting with the public, usually including considering requests from owners of land seeking to have their' properties included into various designated growth areas of the new/updated official plan. Such requests are generally referred to as "settlement area expansion requests".

The Township has received a number of such requests. Each individual request has been considered on its own merits by MBPC and in consultation with Township staff. Each request is itemized in MBPC's presentation material to Council and the Public.

MBPC will present their final recommendations, and seek Council direction on final aspects of the amendment.

Financial Implications to Budget:

The Township of Malahide Official Plan Comprehensive Review & Five-Year Update is included in the 2021 Budget. The information provided in this status report will have no impact on the budget as previously adopted by the Council.

Relationship to Cultivating Malahide:

The Cultivating Malahide Integrated Community Sustainability Plan (ICSP) is based upon four pillars of sustainability: Our Land, Our Economy, Our Community, and Our Government.

The Township of Malahide Official Plan is a critical policy document for our municipality. Reviewing and completing the update of the Official Plan, including the consultation with our community that has occurred to date and will continue, will meet many of the goals established under the four pillars of the ICSP noted above.

Approved by:

Adam Betteridge, MCIP, RPP Chief Administrative Officer