The Regional Municipality of Durham

Planning and Economic Development Committee Agenda

Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 9:30 a.m.
Regional Council Chambers
Regional Headquarters Building
605 Rossland Road East, Whitby

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Note: This meeting will be held in a hybrid meeting format with electronic and in-person participation. Committee meetings may be viewed via live streaming.

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There are no advisory committee resolutions to be considered

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There are no confidential matters to be considered

11. Other Business

12. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 9:30 AM

13. Adjournment

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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 6, 2024

A regular meeting of the Planning & Economic Development Committee was held on Tuesday, February 6, 2024 in the Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, Ontario at 9:30 AM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

1. Roll Call

Present: Councillor Chapman, Chair
Councillor Pickles, Vice-Chair attended the meeting at 9:34 AM
Councillor Collier*
Councillor Kerr
Councillor Neal*
Councillor Shahid
Councillor Wotten
Regional Chair Henry
* **denotes Councillors participating electronically**

Also Present: Councillor Schummer* attended for part of the meeting
*** denotes Councillors participating electronically**

Staff Present: E. Baxter-Trahair*, Chief Administrative Officer
C. Boyd, Solicitor, Chief Administrative Office – Legal Services
B. Bridgeman, Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
A. Chung, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT
S. Dessureault, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services
H. Finlay, Manager, Transit on Demand (TOD)
S. Gill, Director, Economic Development and Tourism
C. Goodchild, Director of Planning
B. Holmes*, General Manager, Transit
S. Jibb, Manager, Economic Development, Agriculture and Rural Affairs
G. Mcfarlane, Program Specialist, Economic Development, Agriculture and Rural Affairs
G. Pereira, Manager, Transportation Planning
K. Ryan*, Senior Solicitor, Chief Administrative Office – Legal Services
J. Severs, Manager, Economic Development, Marketing and Cluster Development
K. Smith, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services
N. Taylor*, Commissioner of Finance

L. Trombino, Manager, Plan Implementation
V. Walker, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services
*** denotes staff participating electronically**

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest made.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Shahid, Seconded by Councillor Kerr,
(12) That the minutes of the regular Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, be adopted.
CARRIED

4. Statutory Public Meetings

There were no statutory public meetings.

5. Presentations

5.1 Stacey Jibb, Manager, Agriculture & Rural Economic Development, and Glen Macfarlane, Economic Development Specialist re: Growing North Durham Plan Annual Activity Report (#2024-EDT-4) [Item 8.2 b.]

Stacey Jibb, Manager, Agriculture & Rural Economic Development, and Glen Macfarlane, Economic Development Specialist provided a PowerPoint presentation with respect to the Growing North Durham Plan Annual Activity Report.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Background
- Plan Overview
- Plan Implementation
  - People
  - Places
  - Prosperity

S. Jibb and G. Macfarlane responded to questions from the Committee with regards to the potential benefits for the agri-food and agricultural sector in the Region as a result of the partnership with Durham College and the National Research Council; how businesses are selected to receive a welcome wagon; how home-based businesses are identified and whether they would receive a welcome wagon; potential sources that can be utilized to identify new businesses; what is included in the welcome wagon; what has been learned through key performance indicators (KPI) from the previous year; how a Business

Improvement Association (BIA) differs from this program; whether farmers ever received a return on tariffs applied on fertilizer; whether there is support across the country for the removal of the carbon tax as it relates to agricultural products and fuel for farmers; whether standardizing the business retention program includes a change to the approach in business visitations.

6. Delegations

6.1 Peter Taylor, President, Friends of Second Marsh (In-Person Attendance) re: Friends of Second Marsh and Love the Marsh! Progress Update

Peter Taylor, President, Friends of Second Marsh, appeared before the Committee in-person and provided a PowerPoint presentation with respect to Friends of Second Marsh and Love the Marsh! Progress Update.

Highlights of the delegation included:

- We Celebrate
- The Second Marsh is Designated
- Friends of Second Marsh
- Let's Dephrag the Marsh!
- Before and After Treatment
- Partnerships
- Love the Marsh!
- Durham Environment and Climate Forum
- Ghost Road Bush Area
- The Future
- An Invitation

P. Taylor responded to questions from the Committee.

Chair Chapman stated that there is a waterfront clean-up event taking place at the Marsh on April 27, 2024, and welcomed members of the Committee to attend.

7. Planning

7.1 Correspondence

There were no communication items to be considered.

7.2 Reports

There were no Planning Reports to be considered.

8. Economic Development

8.1 Correspondence

There were no communication items to be considered.

8.2 Reports

A) 2023 North Durham Building Business Forum (2024-EDT-3)

Report #2024-EDT-3 from B. Bridgeman, Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development, was received.

Moved by Councillor Pickles, Seconded by Councillor Wotten,
(13) That Report #2024-EDT-3 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development be received for information.
CARRIED

B) Growing North Durham Plan Annual Activity Report (2024-EDT-4)

Report #2024-EDT-4 from B. Bridgeman, Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development, was received.

Moved by Councillor Pickles, Seconded by Councillor Wotten,
(14) That Report #2024-EDT-4 of the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development be received for information.
CARRIED

C) Durham Region 2023 Ontario Parasport Games Final Report and Legacy Fund (2024-EDT-5)

Report #2024-EDT-5 from B. Bridgeman, Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development, was received.

Moved by Councillor Pickles, Seconded by Councillor Wotten,
(15) That we recommend to Council:

A) That the Durham Region 2023 Ontario Parasport Games Legacy Fund of $145,579 be distributed as follows:

i) Durham Community Foundation “Durham Region Adaptive Sport & Recreation Legacy Fund”: $112,000;

ii) Adaptive Sport Festival: $30,000;

iii) Community Tree and Shrub Planting: $3,579; and

B) That, prior to the distribution of funds to any agency receiving funding from the 2023 Ontario Parasport Games Legacy Fund, the Region enter into an Agreement or Memorandum of Understanding which prescribes appropriate reporting requirements, and which are otherwise in a form satisfactory to the Commissioner of Finance.

CARRIED

9. Advisory Committee Resolutions

9.1 Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee

A) Resolution regarding Backyard Chickens within Urban and Rural Settlement Areas

Moved by Councillor Kerr, Seconded by Councillor Wotten,
(16) That we recommend to Council:

That as the introduction of chickens within urban and rural settlement areas (which includes towns, villages and hamlets) can result in the potential spread of Avian Influenza and other diseases to livestock in the Region, particularly poultry farms;

And that backyard chickens attract pests and predators, resulting in conflicts between predatory animals and chickens, and additional vectors for spreading disease;

Therefore be it resolved that Durham Regional Council be advised that the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee (DAAC) does not support permitting chickens being kept in urban settlement areas and rural settlement areas (which includes towns, villages and hamlets); and

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the area municipalities for information.

CARRIED

10. Confidential Matters

There were no confidential matters to be considered.

11. Other Business

There was no other business to be considered.

12. Date of Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 at 9:30 AM in the Council Chambers, Regional Headquarters Building, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby.

13. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Shahid, Seconded by Councillor Wotten,
(17) That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM

Respectfully submitted,

B. Chapman, Chair

V. Walker, Committee Clerk

DURHAM REGION

Durham Budget 2024

2024 Business Plans and Budget

Planning and Economic Development Department

Planning and Economic Development Committee

March 05, 2024

Overview

Durham Budget 2024

Achieves the Regional Council approved 2024 Business Plans and Budgets **Guideline**

Advances the goals of the Region's **Strategic Plan**

Advances **critical growth related and asset management capital infrastructure** to support **provincial housing targets**

Responds to significant **inflationary pressures** and **capital cost escalations**

Supports investment in **critical front line core service areas**

Finance & Administration Committee:

March 19, 2024

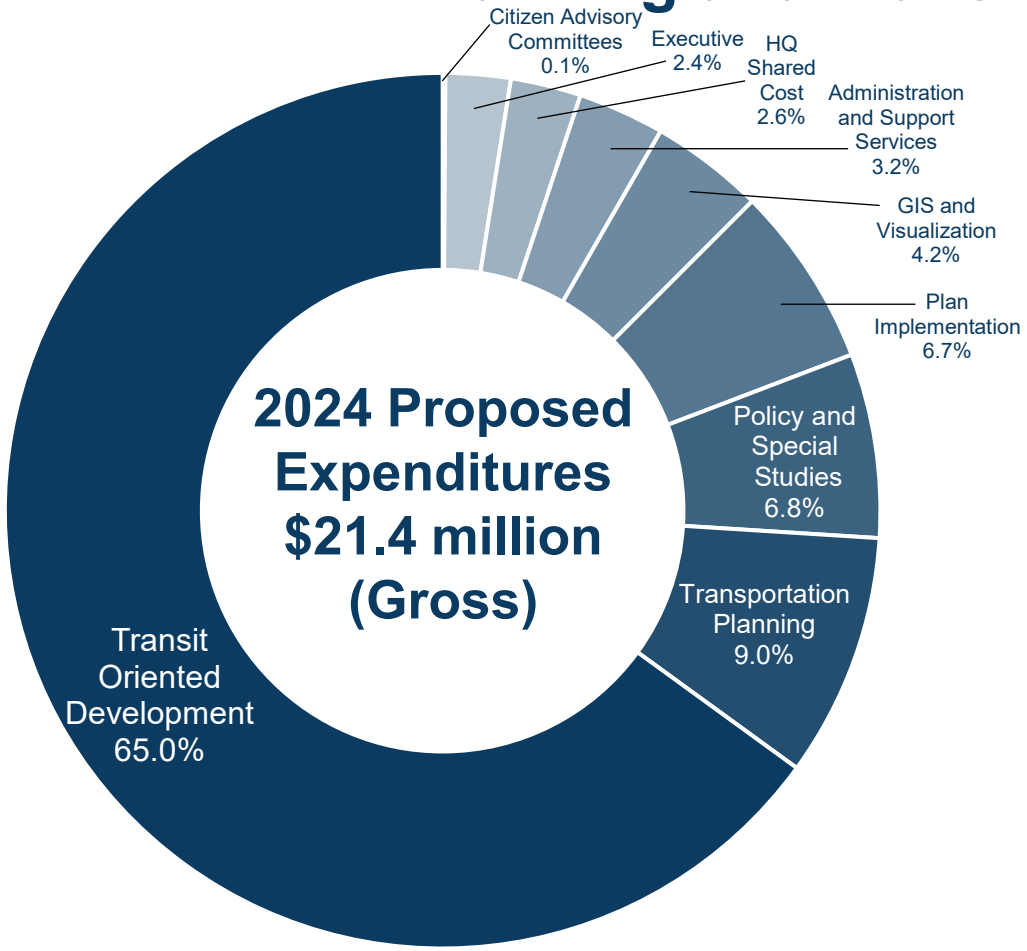
Regional Council:

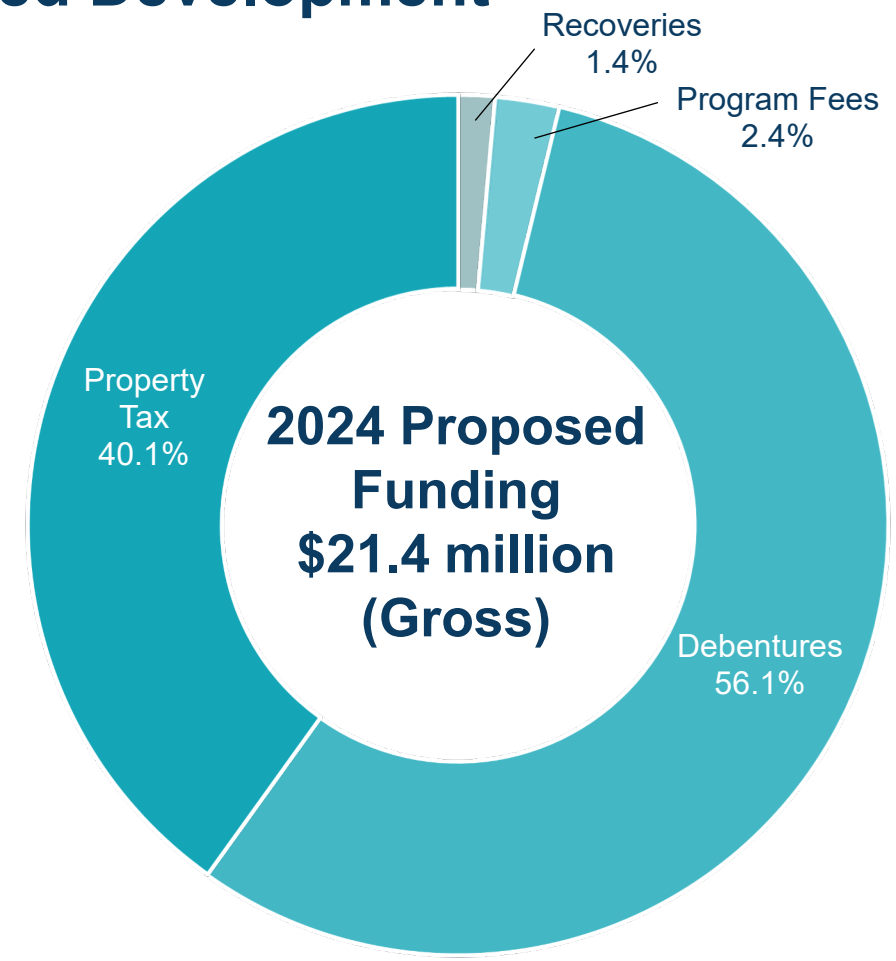
March 27, 2024

2024 Proposed Expenditures & Financing

Durham Budget 2024

Planning and Transit Oriented Development





2023 Planning Accomplishments

Envision Durham

The new Regional Official Plan, Envision Durham, was adopted by Regional Council in May 2023, following statutory consultation and engagement with the public through the first quarter of the year. Council adopted Regional Official Plan was forwarded to the province for approval.

At Home Incentive Program

Presented the recommendations for the award of funding under the new Program to two projects (one in Oshawa and one in Pickering) to support the development of affordable housing ($7.45M). Released the Year 2 Call for Applications that were due on December 20, 2023.

Transportation

Continued work on, and substantially completed the Durham Meadoway Visioning Study, a key component of a connected, safe, and accessible region-wide cycling network of the Regional Cycling Plan Update.

Application Review

Effectively administered the Regional Land Division Committee, and prepared for, and executed, the transfer of responsibility for land division to the area municipalities.

Conservation Authority MOUs

Collaborated with the Region's five conservation authorities and led an internal staff working group to finalize Memorandums of Understanding to guide our future working relationships and budget processes.

2024 Planning Strategic Highlights

Durham Budget 2024

- Support provincial approval of Envision Durham, the Council adopted Regional Official Plan
- Enhance the Division's growth management and data analytic capabilities
- Present recommendations in support of eligible new affordable housing projects through the Year 2 of the Region's At Home Incentive Program
- Draft the Terms of Reference for the Durham Meadoway EA and MOU for cost-sharing of the EA
- Continue advancement of the active transportation actions of the 2021 Regional Cycling Plan
- Conduct the 2024 Business Count
- Lead and coordinate efforts to provide a Regional perspective on planning policy initiatives introduced by the Province

2023 RT & TOD Accomplishments

Durham Budget 2024

- Leveraged advocacy strategies to ensure Bowmanville GO Extension project announced, funded and Metrolinx procurement started, including the announcement of the Construction Management contract on June 15, 2023, to complete the design of the rail corridor to 100% for the Extension to Bowmanville.

- Continued work on the station implementation framework alongside Metrolinx as part of the Region's TOD Strategy for the Bowmanville GO Extension.

- Successful realization of Bill 131 and the GO Transit Station Funding Act, 2023 in Dec 2023 that will provide prescribed municipalities with the option to fund new GO stations and recover the cost through a station contribution charge.

- Continued Region/Local Municipal collaboration tables with Metrolinx to advance Bowmanville GO Extension design and feasibility assessment work.

- Advanced Preliminary Design Business Case for the Durham Scarborough Bus Rapid Transit project - Completion expected in mid 2024.

- Continued work on the Simcoe Rapid Transit Environmental Assessment by initiating a Visioning Study and Initial Business Case.

2024 RT & TOD Strategic Highlights

Durham Budget 2024

- Advance station implementation frameworks as part of the Region's TOD Strategy for the Bowmanville GO Extension
  - Continued Region/Area Municipal collaboration tables with Metrolinx to advance the Bowmanville GO East Extension design and feasibility assessment work
  - Continued collaboration with Area Municipalities along the extension regarding land use permissions
  - Work with Ministry of Infrastructure through municipal Working Group consultation to aid in the drafting and subsequent approval of Regulations associated with *GO Transit Station Funding Act, 2023*

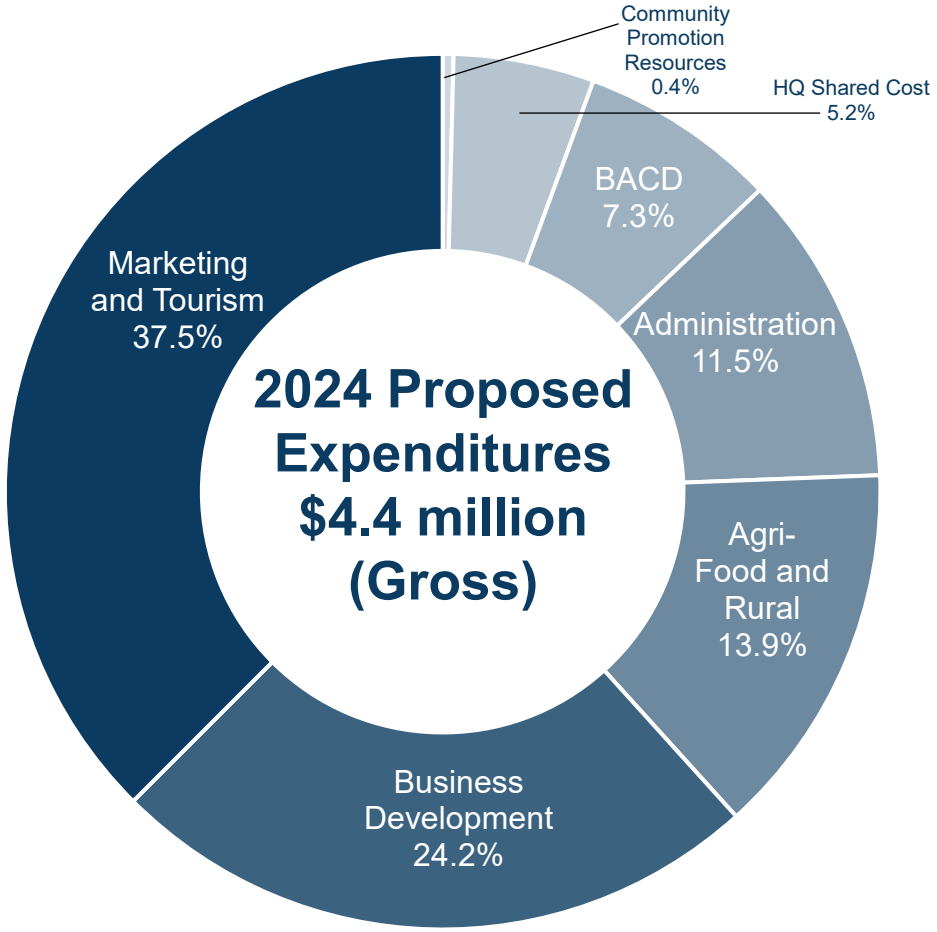
- Continue to identify transit-oriented development opportunities associated with rapid transit investment in the Region, including those that advance housing opportunities in the Region's Major Transit Station Areas

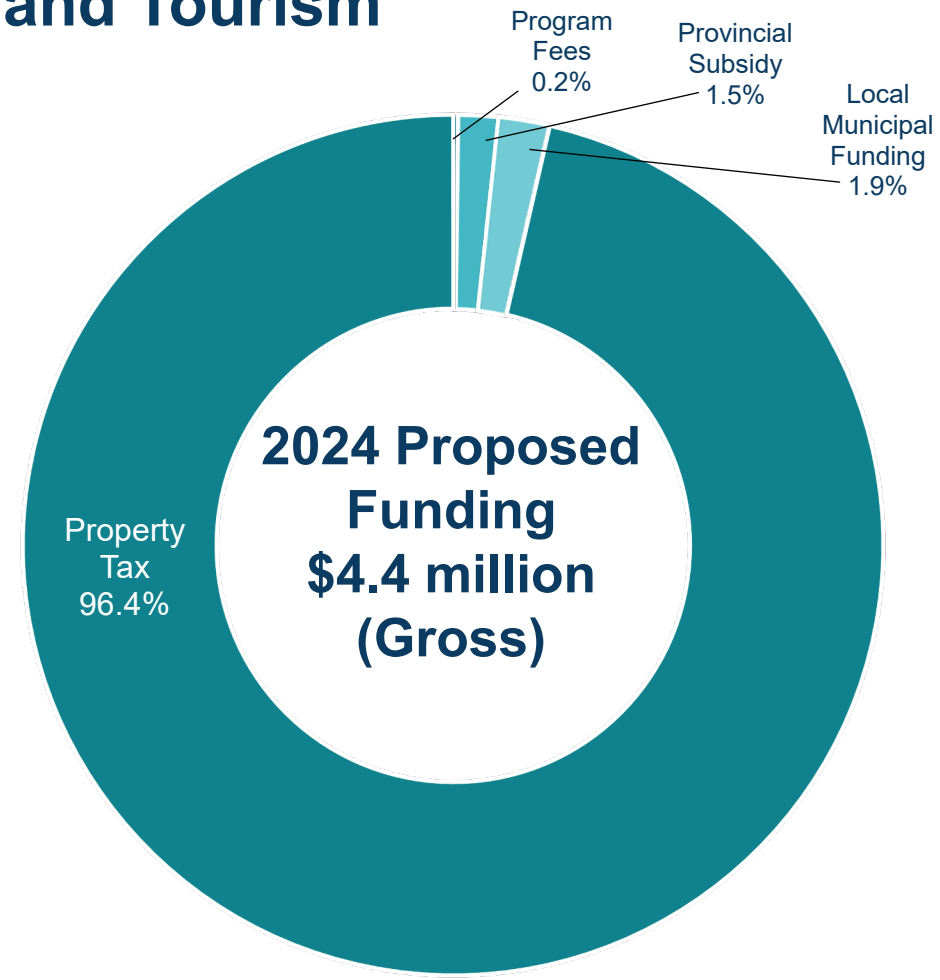
- Continue to build the Rapid Transit Deployment Plan and advance in-progress projects

2024 Proposed Expenditures & Financing

Durham Budget 2024

Economic Development and Tourism





2023 Economic Development Accomplishments

- Delivered extraordinary customer service to prospective investors, including servicing 230 new leads, organizing and suggesting suitable real estate options for over 35 inquiries, delivering over 20 detailed pitch proposals, and hosting 14 inbound delegations and site visits.
- Showcased Durham Region's exciting potential for automotive sector innovation at the Collision Conference, resulting in nearly 1,000 new connections and incredible brand awareness generation.
- Achieved a 21% growth in social media followers across the Invest Durham and Durham Tourism social channels, showcasing the Region as a desirable location for new investment
- Hosted the Durham 2023 Ontario Parasport Games.
- Organized and delivered the "Gather at the Farm" campaign to drive visitors to local agri-food producers and increase the adoption of local food in the culinary sector.
- Organized the north Durham Building Business Forum with over 100 business attendees and a full day of content.
- Delivered the Scugog Business Program

2024 Economic Development Strategic Highlights

Durham Budget 2024

- Continue execution of the action items in the award-winning Economic Development and Tourism Strategy – 2023 to 2027 Ready Set Future – A PLACE Blueprint for Durham
- Create a new Investment Attraction Plan to identify target geographies and implement a 2024 Mission Plan to meet with prospective investors in their home markets.
- Continue to promote Durham Region as a destination for sporting events by bidding and hosting events that are diverse and inclusive.
- Undertake Business Retention and Expansion (BR+E) programming across north Durham and advanced the On-Farm Diversified Uses Project to assist the northern townships to navigate additional commercial activities on farm properties.
- Begin implementation of the Family Physician Attraction and Retention Program in collaboration with the area municipalities, Clarington Board of Trade, and the Durham Ontario Health Team; and continue to deliver welcome and support services to the family medicine trainees in the Region.
- Promote the Region as an incredible location for new business investment, across digital media and through engaging events.

Reductions and Deferrals

Line-by-line savings were achieved by the reduction of Administrative costs such as equipment rentals, postage, courier service, phones and printing.

Due to the uncertainty of Bill 23, the Planning Division has deferred the hiring of 3 full time positions for all of 2024, however the Division is operating with 30% vacancies overall.

Marketing - trade shows were reduced by 50%; will not be exhibiting with a booth at Collision Conference in 2024.

Risks and Uncertainties

Bill 23 has introduced challenges and uncertainties in the context of an ambitious 2024 work plan and staff vacancies.

Application revenue may not meet forecast due to Bill 23 changes and market factors.

The procurement for the construction of the Lakeshore GO East Extension to Bowmanville, has advanced substantially over the past year, and this continues to increase pressure on the Region and the Province to ensure plans for station delivery are agreed to and advance.

Forecasted Pressures and Strategic Considerations

The Region's population is forecast to grow at an unprecedented pace. Once the Region's new official plan is approved, the combination of pressures from Regional infrastructure and service planning, responding to development applications, housing and area municipal initiatives, will be significant.

Technological changes and improvements as the Department continues to offer a greater variety of on-line services.

The timing and amount of Transit Oriented Development and related infrastructure coordination may result in additional staffing pressures.

Ready Set Future – the Five-Year Economic Development & Tourism Strategy and Action Plan, sets out action items that require a resourcing plan, for such activities as talent attraction and retention, and place-making. Additional resources will be needed to successfully deliver on all listed actions for the future years of 2025/2026.

Questions

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The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

To:	Planning and Economic Development Committee
From:	Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report:	#2024-P-6
Date:	March 5, 2024

Subject:

Decision Meeting Report

Application to Amend the Durham Regional Official Plan, submitted by Clark Consulting Services, on behalf of Bethesda Ridge Farms, to permit the severance of a farm dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm properties in the Municipality of Clarington, File: OPA 2023-001 (Regional Official Plan Amendment #197).

Recommendation:

That the Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends to Regional Council:

A) That Amendment #197 to the Durham Regional Official Plan, to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels, be adopted as contained in Attachment #3 to Commissioner's Report #2024-P-6;

B) That "Notice of Adoption" be sent to the applicant, the applicant's agent, the Municipality of Clarington, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and all other person or public bodies who requested notification of this decision; and

C) That the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing be requested to modify the Council adopted Durham Regional Official Plan as shown on Attachment 4 so that the approvals granted by Regional Council through Amendment #197 are carried forward and properly reflected in the Region's new Official Plan which is currently pending approval by the Minister.

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 On January 27, 2023, Clark Consulting Services on behalf of Bethesda Ridge Farms submitted an application to amend the Regional Official Plan (ROP) to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels in the Municipality of Clarington.

2. Previous Reports and Decisions

2.1 On April 4, 2023, the Planning and Economic Development Committee received the Public Meeting Report #2023-P-8, which includes details of the proposed non-abutting surplus farm dwelling severance.

3. Site Description

3.1 The subject site is located at the northeast corner of Concession Road 6 and Clemens Road, approximately 870 metres south of the Hamlet of Tyrone and approximately 600 metres north of Highway 407. The property is municipally known as 2774 Concession Road 6, and is located in Parts 7 and Lot 8, Concession 6, former Township of Darlington in the Municipality of Clarington (refer to Attachment 1).

3.2 The subject site is generally rectangular in shape with an area of approximately 54 hectares (133 acres). The subject lands contain an existing farm dwelling, an enclosed pool, a garage, a barn, and metal storage sheds located on the southern portion of the site. The central portion of the property contains a wooded area, and Mackie Creek which flows in north to south direction.

3.3 The surrounding land uses adjacent to the subject site:

a. North – rural residences, agricultural lands, and wooded areas

b. East – Bethesda Road, rural residences, and agricultural lands

c. South – rural residences, Concession Road 6, and agricultural lands

d. West – Clemens Road, rural residences, and agricultural lands

4. Background

4.1 Bethesda Ridge Farms operates a cattle farm and produces cash crops. The applicant owns a total of three agricultural properties with a total area of 217 hectares (536 acres) in the Municipality of Clarington (refer to Attachment 2). The applicant's home farm is located at the property 2669 Bethesda Road.

4.2 On March 31, 2022, the applicant purchased the subject farm property to expand agricultural production. The existing dwelling located on the property is not required by a farm employee and is surplus to the farm operation.

4.3 The applicant has proposed to sever a 0.93 ha (2.29 acre) rural residential lot with the dwelling and retain a 52.87 ha (131 acre) farm parcel.

5. Reports Submitted in Support of the Application

5.1 A Planning Justification Report prepared by Clark Consulting Services was submitted in support of the application. The report concluded that the proposed amendment would be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and conforms with the Greenbelt Plan and the Durham Regional Official Plan and meets the Provincial Minimum Distance of Separation (MDS) requirements.

5.2 A Phase One Environmental Site Assessment was completed for the subject site by GHD Ltd. The report indicated that the property has no potential environmental concern.

6. Provincial Plans and Policies

6.1 The subject site is located within the Protected Countryside designation of the Greenbelt Plan. Both the Provincial Policy Statement and the Greenbelt Plan permit the severance of a residence surplus to a farming operation as a result of farm consolidation, provided the planning authority ensure that a residential dwelling is not permitted on the proposed retained lot created by the severance and will be limited to the minimum size needed to accommodate the use.

7. Durham Regional Official Plan (ROP) Context

7.1 The subject site is located within the "Prime Agricultural Areas" designation in the current ROP. The property is located within the Provincial Agricultural System. The central portion of the property contains Key Natural Heritage and/or Hydrologic Features. Severance applications for agricultural uses may be considered in accordance with the relevant policies of the Sub-Section 9A of the ROP.

7.2 Policy 9A.2.10 of the current ROP may permit the severance of a farm dwelling rendered surplus as a result of a farm acquiring a non-abutting farm, provided that:

a. the dwelling is not needed by a farm employee;
b. the farm parcel is of a size which is viable for farming operations;
c. within the Protected Countryside of the Greenbelt Plan Area, the dwelling was in existence as of December 16, 2004; and
d. the farm parcel is zoned to prohibit any further severances and the establishment of any residential dwelling.

No further severances shall be permitted from the acquired farm parcel.

8. Planning Analysis

8.1 The existing dwelling located on the subject farm property is not required by a farm employee and has been deemed as surplus to the farming operation as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting agricultural properties.

8.2 The proposed severed parcel is a limited to the minimum size to support the existing dwelling, well, and septic system. The retained farm parcel of approximately 52.87 ha (131 acres) will remain a viable size for agricultural use.

8.3 The farm dwelling located on the subject site was constructed in 1846, prior to December 16, 2004, when the Greenbelt Plan came into effect. The proposed amendment requires the retained farm parcel to be rezoned to prohibit any further severances, prohibit the establishment of any residential dwellings, and prohibit the barn to be used for housing livestock.

8.4 The proposed amendment is consistent with the PPS and conforms with the Greenbelt Plan and the Durham Regional Official Plan.

9. Public Meeting and Submissions

9.1 In accordance with the Planning Act, a notice of public meeting regarding this application was published in the appropriate newspaper, mailed to those who own lands within 120 metres (400 feet) of the subject lands, and a public meeting was held on April 4, 2023. Commissioner's Report #2023-P-8 provides information on the application.

9.2 The Region did not receive any written submission from the public related to the amendment application. The applicant's consultant was present at the Public Meeting to answer questions of Committee.

10. Consultation

10.1 On January 12, 2024, the Municipality of Clarington provided supporting comments for the proposed Regional Official Plan Amendment application.

10.2 The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority, the Regional Health Department, the Regional Works Department, and the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee indicated no concerns regarding the approval of the application.

10.3 No comments or concerns were received from any member of the public.

11. Notice of Meeting

11.1 Written notification of the meeting time and location of the Planning and Economic Development Committee was sent to all who requested notification, in accordance with Regional Council procedure.

11.2 The recommendation of the Planning and Economic Development Committee is scheduled to be considered by the Regional Council on March 27, 2024. If Council adopts the proposed Amendment, notice will be given by the Regional Clerk and Council's decision will be final unless appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT).

12. Relationship to Strategic Plan

12.1 In the processing of ROP amendment applications, the objective is to ensure responsive, effective and fiscally sustainable service delivery in accordance with Goal 5 of the Durham Region Strategic Plan (DRSP), "Service Excellence".

13. Conclusion

13.1 The proposed amendment is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and conforms with the policies of the Greenbelt Plan and the Durham Regional Official Plan. The required implementing Zoning By-law will prohibit any future severances and the construction of new dwellings on the retained farm parcel; and the use of the existing barn for housing livestock. Accordingly, it is recommended that Amendment #197 to the ROP, as shown on Attachment #3, be adopted.

13.2 During the transition period between the current in-effect ROP (2020 Consolidation) and prior to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing's approval of the adopted ROP (Envision Durham), it is recommended that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing also be requested to include an amendment, as contained in

Attachment 4, as a modification to the adopted Regional Official Plan through its approval process.

14. Attachments

Attachment #1: Location Sketch

Attachment #2: Applicant's Total Land Holdings

Attachment #3: Amendment #197 to the Durham Regional Official Plan

Attachment #4: Modification to Council adopted ROP (Envision Durham)

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

Brian Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP, PLE
Commissioner of Planning and
Economic Development

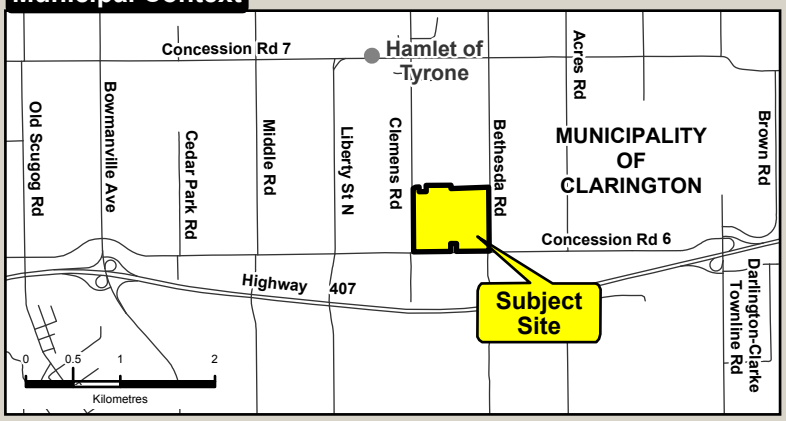
Recommended for Presentation to Committee

Original signed by

Elaine C. Baxter-Trahair
Chief Administrative Officer

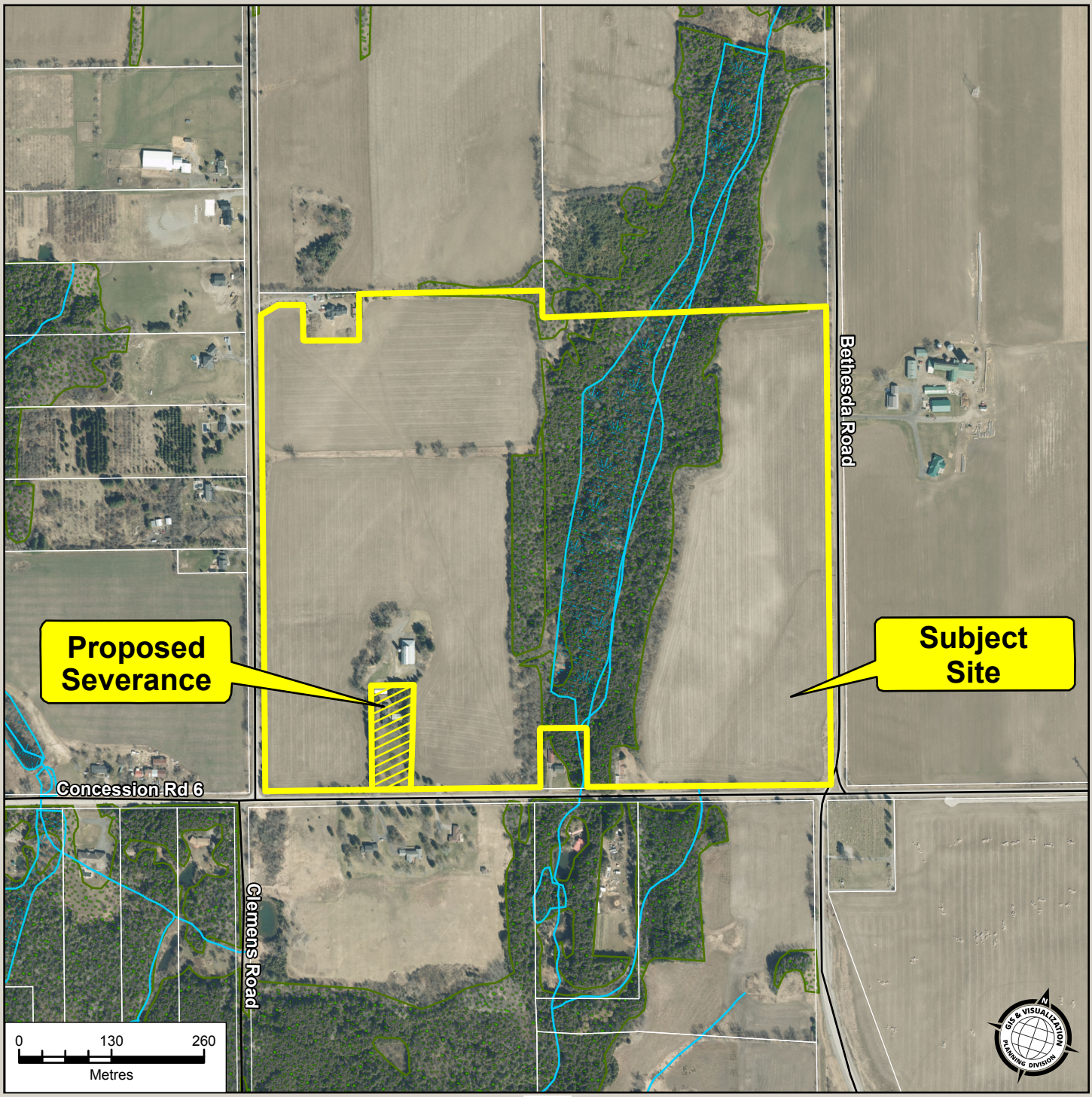
Attachment #1
Commissioner's Report: #2024-P-6
File: ROPA 2023-001
Municipality: Municipality of Clarington

Municipal Context



Legend

- Subject Site
- Wetland
- Woodland
- Proposed Severance
- River or stream



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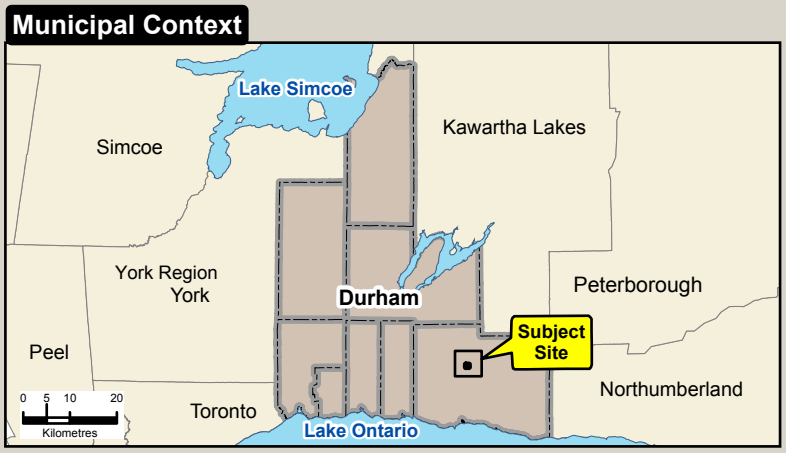
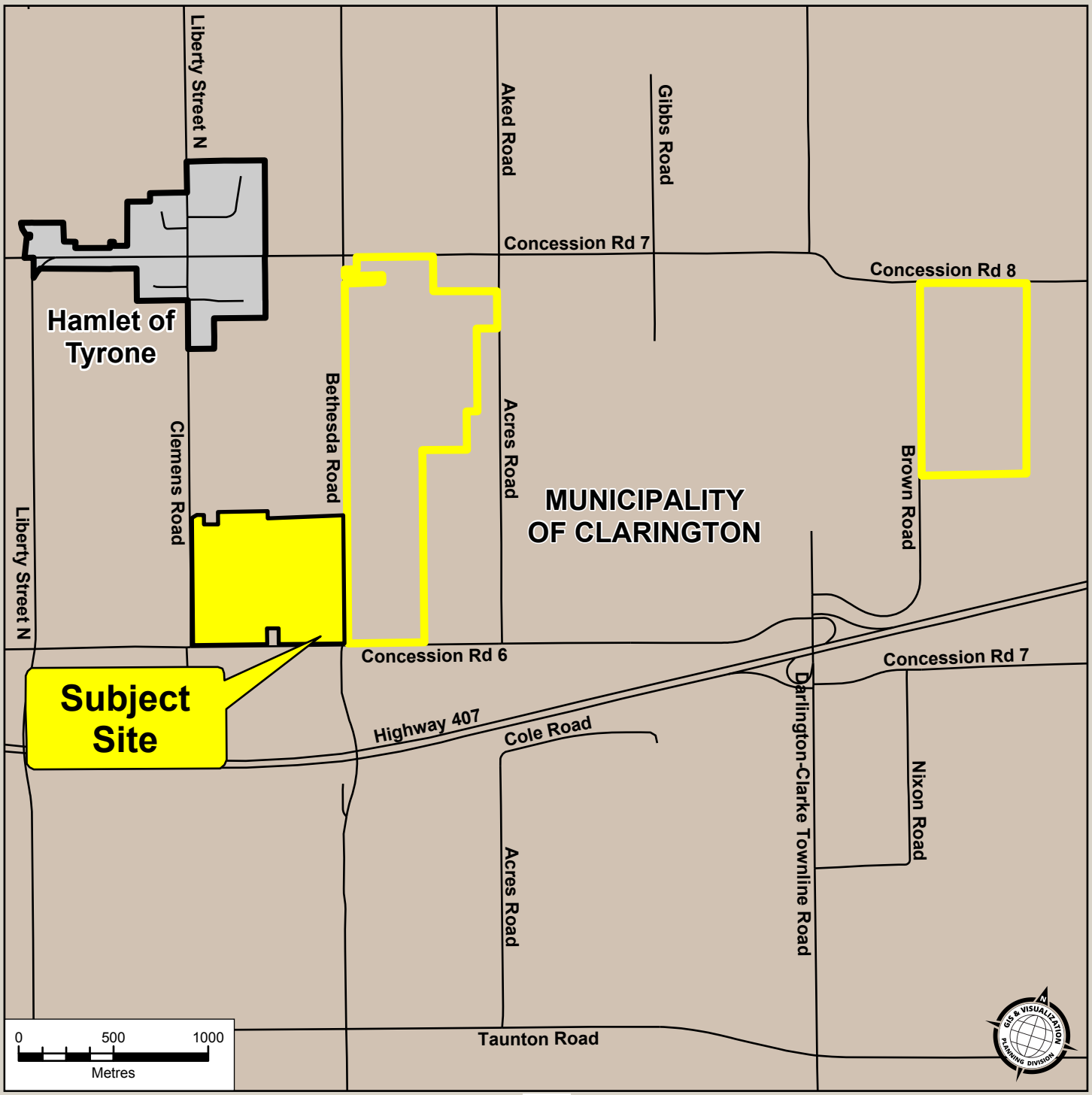
Attachment #2
Commissioner's Report: #2024-P-6
File: ROPA 2023-001
Municipality: Municipality of Clarington



Legend

- Subject Site
- Other Lands Owned by Bethseda Ridge Farms



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Amendment #197 to the Durham Regional Official Plan

Purpose and Effect: The purpose of this Amendment is to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels on lands designated as "Prime Agricultural Areas."

Location: The subject site is located at the northeast corner of Concession Road 6 and Clemens Road, approximately 870 metres south of the Hamlet of Tyrone and approximately 600 metres north of Highway 407. The property is municipally known as 2774 Concession Road 6 and is located in Part of Lots 7 and 8, Concession 6, former Township of Darlington, in the Municipality of Clarington.

Basis: The subject farm property has been consolidated with the other non-abutting farm parcels owned by the applicant. The residential dwelling on the subject site is not required by, and is surplus to, the farm operation. This amendment conforms with the Durham Regional Official Plan, the Greenbelt Plan, and the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.

Amendment (current Regional Official Plan – 2020 Consolidation):

The Durham Regional Official Plan is hereby amended by adding the following policy exception to Section 9A.3.2:

"9A.3.2 hhh) A surplus farm dwelling rendered surplus from the parcel identified as Assessment No.18-17-010-110-06100 located in Part of Lots 7 and 8, Concession 6, former Township of Darlington, in the Municipality of Clarington, subject to the inclusion of the provisions in the zoning by-law to prohibit the construction of any new dwelling on the retained parcel; and the use of the existing barn for housing livestock. In accordance with Provincial and Regional policies, no further severances of the property are permitted."

Implementation: The provisions set forth in the Durham Regional Official Plan regarding the implementation of the Plan shall apply in regards to this Amendment.

Interpretation: The provision set forth in the Regional Official Plan regarding the implementation of this Plan shall apply in regards to this Amendment.

Request by Durham Region Council to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to Modify the Durham Regional Official Plan

Request: Durham Region Council hereby requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing modify the new Durham Regional Official Plan as adopted on May 17, 2023 by adding the following policy exception to Section 10.4:

"10.4.20 hhh) *a surplus farm dwelling rendered surplus from the parcel identified as Assessment No. 18-17-010-110-06100 located in Part of Lots 7 and 8, Concession 6, former Township of Darlington, in the Municipality of Clarington, subject to the inclusion of the provisions in the zoning by-law to prohibit the construction of any new dwelling on the retained parcel; and the use of the existing barn for housing livestock. In accordance with Provincial and Regional policies, no further severances of the property are permitted;"*

Rationale: On May 17, 2023, Durham Region Council adopted a brand new Regional Official Plan which is currently before the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing pending approval. On March 27, 2024, Durham Regional Council adopted Amendment #197 to the currently in effect (the "old") Official Plan to permit the severance of a dwelling rendered surplus as a result of the consolidation of non-abutting farm parcels in the Municipality of Clarington. This requested modification to the new Official Plan will enable the permissions granted by Amendment #197 to be carried forward and property reflected in the new Official Plan.

If this information is required in an accessible format, please contact 1-800-372-1102 ext. 2564

The Regional Municipality of Durham Report

To:	Planning and Economic Development Committee
From:	Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development
Report:	#2024-P-7
Date:	March 5, 2024

Subject:

2024 Planning and Economic Development Department Business Plans and Budget

Recommendation:

That the Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends to the Finance and Administration Committee for subsequent recommendation to Regional Council that the 2024 Business Plans and Budget of the Planning and Economic Development Department be approved.

Report:

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to receive Planning and Economic Development Committee concurrence of the 2024 Business Plans and Budget for the Planning and Economic Development Department. The Planning and Economic Development Department's 2024 Business Plans and Budget will be referred to the Finance and Administration Committee for consideration during deliberations of the 2024 Property Tax Supported Business Plans and Budget.

2. Overview

2.1 The recommended 2024 Planning and Economic Development Department Business Plan and Budget meets the Council approved guideline for the 2024 Property Tax Supported Business Plans and Budget.

2.2 The 2024 Planning and Economic Development Department Business Plans and Budget supports all five goals of the Region's Strategic Plan, namely:

a. Environmental Sustainability
b. Community Vitality
c. Economic Prosperity
d. Social Investment
e. Service Excellence.

2.3 The recommended 2024 Planning and Economic Development Department Business Plans and Budget includes $25.8 million in gross expenditures requiring $12.8 million in property tax funding with the remaining funded by program fees, provincial funding for business advisory services and debenture financing for design and professional services to advance the new stations for the GO Train East Extension.

2.4 Similar to last year, it is still not known if, or when, the operative changes of Bill 23 that proposed changes to the regional planning function will take effect. As such, there remains uncertainty of how Bill 23 will fully impact the Planning Division's budget.

2.5 The 2024 Planning Budget considers the proposed changes to Bill 23 and also reflects the transfer of the Regional Land Division approval responsibilities to the area municipalities in late 2023 impacting Application Fee Revenue which has been reduced by $282,250, or 35%, as compared to 2023[1]. To compensate for this decrease in revenue, 3 full-time positions in the Planning Division will remain vacant for the entire twelve months and as such the proposed 2024 Planning Budget does not include any salary or benefit costs for these three positions. It remains premature to make any additional changes to the operational aspects of the Planning Division until more information about the potential proclamation of Bill 23 is known.

2.6 The recommended 2024 Planning and Economic Development Department Business Plans and Budget provides operating and capital funding for the following Divisions and functional areas:

1 While the transfer of consent-granting authority results in a loss of application revenue for the Region, it becomes a new source of revenue for the area municipalities as they assume this function. Under the Planning Act, municipalities are permitted to charge the proponent the anticipated reasonable cost of processing the application.

a. Planning Division

- Policy Planning and Special Studies
- Transportation Planning
- Plan Implementation
- GIS and Visualization
- Executive, Administrative and Support Services
- Citizen Advisory Committees
- Application Fee Revenue

b. Economic Development and Tourism Division

- Administration
- Business Development
- Marketing and Tourism
- Agri-Food and Rural Economic Development
- Business Advisory Centre Durham (BACD)
- Community Promotion Resources

c. Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office

3. 2023 Accomplishments

3.1 In 2023, the Planning and Economic Development Department undertook several activities including the delivery of core and mandated services:

a. Planning Division

- The new Regional Official Plan, Envision Durham was adopted by Regional Council in May 2023, and then forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing for approval, along with the detailed submission record of all background reports, consultation and engagement materials.
- Presented the recommendations for the award of funding under the new At Home Incentive Program (AHIP) to support the development of affordable housing through direct funding support through amendments to the Region's Municipal Capital Facilities By-law and released the call for the second year of applications.
- Continued work in support of Regional efforts to advance opportunities for affordable housing by supporting Social Services in the kickoff of the Region's next 10 Year Housing and Homelessness Plan.

- Continued work on, and substantially completed the Durham Meadoway Visioning Study, a key component of a connected, safe, and accessible region-wide cycling network of the Regional Cycling Plan Update.
- Initiated the Cycling Wayfinding and Signage Strategy to create a unique regional cycling identity and wayfinding system and held public information centres in the fall of 2023.
- Supported the successful Pedal for Patients Charity Ride in the spring for Lakeridge Health Oshawa Foundation.
- Initiated work on Transit-Oriented Development Guidelines that will provide a comprehensive set of strategies that outline clear direction for public realm improvements around transit stations, transit corridors and other strategic growth areas across the Region.
- Collaborated with the Region's five conservation authorities and led an internal staff working group to finalize Memorandums of Understanding to guide our future working relationships and budget process with our conservation authority partners.
- Continued work in support of the Region's efforts to advance the GO East Extension.
- Supported efforts by the Finance Department to deliver the Region's updated Development Charge By-laws.
- Continued maintenance of PLANit, the Region's development tracking system.
- Presented information and staff's recommendation on various Regional Official Plan Amendment applications for Committee's consideration.
- Provided timely review of land development applications where the Region is a commenting agency to the area municipalities. Where the Region is an approval authority, provided timely review, comment and approval of development applications.
- Effectively administered the Regional Land Division Committee, and prepared for, and executed, the transfer of responsibility for land division to the area municipalities by facilitating training for municipal staff members and area municipal Committees of Adjustments.
- Assisted in the preparation and filing of comments on provincial legislative changes introduced through Bill 97 – The Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, the proposed Provincial Planning Statement, and the Greenbelt Statute Law Amendment Act to return lands to the Greenbelt.

- Supported the activities of the Durham Environment and Climate Advisory Committee, Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee, and the Durham Active Transportation Committee, including a Pollinator Seed Distribution project, partnering with the Durham Climate Roundtable on the Environmental Achievement Awards and Climate Forum hosting an in-person Farm Tour, and providing feedback regarding the North Durham Rail Trail Corridor.

b. Economic Development and Tourism Division

- Delivered extraordinary customer service to prospective investors, including servicing 230 new leads, organizing and suggesting suitable real estate options for over 35 inquiries, delivering over 20 detailed pitch proposals, and hosting 14 inbound delegations and site visits.
- Teamed up with Durham's local innovation community—including the eight local municipal economic development teams; three post-secondary institutions; as well as 1855 Accelerator; Spark Centre, the APMA, and Ontario Power Generation—to showcase Durham Region's exciting potential for automotive sector innovation to businesses and investors at Collision Conference, resulting in nearly 1,000 new connections and considerable growth in brand awareness among the north American tech business community.
- Supported the Durham Region International Film Festival (DRIFF), coordinated film and television productions in Durham, increased awareness of career opportunities by hosting a Film and Television career fair with local partners, and helped businesses learn how to do business with the film and television industry.
- Continued promotion of Durham Region as a desirable location for new investment and job creation, with a 21% growth in social media followers across the Invest Durham and Durham Tourism social channels, including strong growth in engagement on the Invest Durham LinkedIn channel.
- Hosted the Durham 2023 Ontario Parasport Games.
- Organized the Precision Agriculture Field Day which built on the successful Agricultural Career Video Series.
- Organized and delivered the "Gather at the Farm" campaign to drive visitors to local agri-food producers and increase the adoption of local food in the culinary sector.

- Advanced On Farm Diversified Use support to the northern townships; in 2023, staff prepared a best practices report and launched the OFDU zoning project.
- Organized the north Durham Building Business Forum with over 100 business attendees and a full day of content.
- Delivered the Scugog Business Program which was funded by a successful Rural EcDev ("RED") Grant application that had been prepared by Economic Development staff.
- Prepared Business Toolkits for each of the northern municipalities and which are now available on each Township website.
- Continued work on Project Woodward to establish a clean energy business and industrial park on Region-owned lands in the Clarington Energy Park.
- Led the initiative to advance Family Physician recruitment including the securing of funding from the Region's area municipalities through a cost-sharing agreement.

c. Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office

- Leveraged advocacy strategies to ensure the Bowmanville GO East Extension project was announced, funded, and with procurement started. Metrolinx awarded the Construction Manager At Risk (SMAR) contract in June 2023 to finalize the design of the rail corridor extension.
- Advocacy and technical group work with the Ministry of Infrastructure culminated in the tabling and subsequent royal assent of the *GO Transit Station Funding Act, 2023* pursuant to Bill 131: Transportation for the Future Act, 2023 on December 4, 2023.
- Continued development of station implementation frameworks in tandem with Metrolinx Bowmanville Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Strategy.
- Continued Region/Area Municipal collaboration tables with Metrolinx to advance the Bowmanville GO East Extension design and feasibility assessment work.
- Continued collaboration with Area Municipalities along the extension regarding land use permissions (i.e. in secondary plans and zoning by-laws) within the Protected Major Transit Station Areas (PMTSAs).
- Assisted with work on the Simcoe Street Rapid Transit Environmental Assessment in advancing the Visioning Study and Initial Business Case.

2024 Strategic Highlights

3.2 The 2024 Business Plans and Budgets provide critical resources to advance the programs and services provided by the Department. Some of the tasks in 2024 include:

a. Planning Division

- Enhancing the Division's growth management and data analytic capabilities to move towards the implementation of a growth management model that will better monitor residential unit supply, employment land supply as well as the availability of infrastructure capacity and servicing.
- Supporting the province's review and approval of Envision Durham, the new Regional Official Plan.
- Completing the first stage of a Regional Housing Assessment report to inform area municipal consideration of Inclusionary Zoning (IZ) opportunities in Protected Major Transit Station Areas, following numerous provincial changes to IZ regulations and applicability.
- Presenting recommendations in support of eligible new affordable housing projects through Year 2 of the Region's *At Home Incentive Program*;
- Implementing recommendations contained in the Region's 2021 Cycling Plan including:

  (a) Drafting the terms of reference for the Durham Meadoway Environmental Assessment in partnership with area municipalities and negotiating a suitable cost-sharing arrangement for the EA work with the affected area municipalities;

  (b) Drafting the terms of reference for the development of Durham Bicycle Parking Guidelines that will assist Regional staff, area municipal staff, developers and other stakeholders with identifying best practices in types and provision of bicycle parking facilities locations, and overall guidance of how to implement and manage high-quality bicycle parking infrastructure across Durham Region

  (c) Completing the Signage and Wayfinding Strategy;

  (d) Continued assistance in developing school safety plans as part of the Active and Sustainable School Travel Program (ASST); and

  (e) Working with Lakeridge Health Foundation and Ajax-Pickering Hospital Foundation to host the "Bike for Health" charity bike ride on

June 2, 2024.

- Undertaking background work in preparation for updating the Regional Transportation Model and Transportation Master Plan.
- Undertaking background research and modelling work to explore the use of a truck-only lane along Highway 401.
- Conducting the 2024 Durham Region Business Count.

b. Economic Development and Tourism Division

- Continue execution of the action items in the 2023 to 2027 Ready Set Future – A PLACE Blueprint for Durham, a five-year Economic Development and Tourism Strategy and Action Plan.
- Strengthen the Region's internal investment attraction efforts and be a trusted voice to domestic and international investment audiences and coordinate seamless concierge services.
- Advance the process of bringing the programs and services of the Business Advisory Centre Durham (BACD) into the regional corporation under the Economic Development and Tourism Division.
- Create a new Investment Attraction Plan to identify target geographies and implement a 2024 Mission Plan to meet with prospective investors in their home markets.
- Develop and deliver marketing campaigns through innovative digital channels to grow awareness of the Region, supporting growth of the clean energy and advanced automotive clusters.
- Develop and implement a new Five-Year Regional Tourism Plan.
- Continue to promote Durham Region as a destination for sporting events by bidding and hosting events that are diverse and inclusive.
- Undertake Business Retention and Expansion (BR+E) programming across north Durham and advance the On-Farm Diversified Uses Project to assist the northern townships to navigate additional commercial activities on farm properties.
- In coordination with the Durham Economic Development Partnership, create a plan to deliver support services for major expansions to the Region's top 50 businesses.
- Advance Project Woodward for the purpose of establishing a clean energy business and industrial park on Region-owned lands in the Clarington Energy Park.
- Continue to implement the Local Food Business Retention and Expansion Action Plan to support the retention and expansion of agri-food businesses, and work to grow the agri-tourism sector regionally.

- Begin implementation of the Family Physician Attraction and Retention Program in collaboration with the area municipalities, Clarington Board of Trade, and the Durham Ontario Health Team; and continue to deliver welcome and support services to the family medicine trainees in the Region.

c. Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Division.
   - Advance station implementation frameworks for adoption as part of the Region's TOD Strategy for the Bowmanville GO East Extension, exploring the use of the new legislation, the *GO Transit Station Funding Act, 2023* including developing the necessary Economic Study and Bill 131 Background Study as appropriate.
   - Continue to identify transit-oriented development opportunities associated with rapid transit investment in the Region.
   - Continue to build the Rapid Transit Deployment Plan and advance in-process projects.

3.3 A series of initiatives are included in the 2024 Business Plans and Budgets that will help provide mitigation and adaptation measures and strategies to address the Region's climate change initiatives, including the following:

a. Implementation of Envision Durham, the new Durham Regional Official Plan incorporates mitigation and adaptation policies, a greater focus on transit-oriented development, and a regional natural heritage system that will help address the Region's climate change initiatives.
b. Improved rapid transit service and the extension of GO Train service to Bowmanville will reduce greenhouse gas emissions from vehicles.
c. The addition of dedicated rapid transit infrastructure through the Durham Scarborough Bus Rapid Transit project along Highway 2 and a future rapid transit service along Simcoe Street will reduce greenhouse gas emissions from vehicles.
d. Advancing the planning and implementation of transit-oriented communities in Strategic Growth Areas, including Protected Major Transit Station Areas will create walkable, sustainable, and compact communities that provide a broader range of housing choice, with less reliance on the automobile.
e. Planning for active transportation projects that are designed to enable residents to get around without the need for a vehicle.
f. Promoting active and safe routes to school, and alternative travel choices for commuting to encourage residents and employees to choose more sustainable modes.

g. The implementation of projects identified under the Regional Cycling Plan, including ongoing work with area municipal partners for the Durham Meadoway will help support mode shift toward active modes of transportation, reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
h. Supporting the work of the Durham Environment and Climate Advisory Committee to promote sustainability and climate initiatives.

3.4 If the applicable sections of Bill 23 are proclaimed, Regional Council's role as the approval authority for certain types of applications under the Planning Act will be removed, primarily with the three northern townships (e.g. subdivisions, condominiums and part-lot control exemption by-laws). There will be a further loss of application fee revenue at the Regional level which will picked up by the area municipalities. The Region will continue to provide comments on development applications going forward.

2024 Risks and Uncertainties

3.5 Some of the risks and uncertainties that could be experienced through 2024 include:

a. Bill 23 has introduced challenges and uncertainties in the context of an ambitious 2024 workplan and existing staff vacancies.
b. The potential that application revenue may not meet the forecast due to Bill 23 changes and market factors.
c. The procurement for the construction of the Lakeshore GO East Extension to Bowmanville has advanced substantially over the past year, and this continues to increase pressure on the Region and the Province to ensure plans for station delivery are agreed to, and advanced.

4. Future Budget Pressures

4.1 The Planning and Economic Development Department anticipates the following future budget pressures that are of note:

a. The Region's population is forecast to grow at an unprecedented pace. Once the Region's new official plan is approved, the combination of pressures from Regional infrastructure and service planning, responding to development applications, housing and area municipal initiatives, will be significant.
b. Technological changes and improvements as the Department continues to offer a greater variety of on-line services.
c. The timing and amount of Transit Oriented Development and related infrastructure coordination may result in additional staffing pressures.
d. Ready Set Future – the Five-Year Economic Development & Tourism Strategy and Action Plan, sets out action items that require a resourcing plan, for such

activities as talent attraction and retention, and place-making. Additional resources will be needed to successfully deliver on all listed actions for the future years of 2025/2026.

5. Relationship to Strategic Plan

5.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following strategic goal and priorities in the Durham Region Strategic Plan:

a. Goal 5 Service Excellence – to provide exceptional value to Durham taxpayers through responsive, effective, and fiscally sustainable service delivery. By responsibly managing the Region's financial assets, the proposed 2024 Planning and Economic Development Department Business Plans and Budget looks to optimize resources to deliver critical infrastructure and services for current and future generations.

b. Goal 3 Economic Prosperity - To build a strong and resilient economy that maximizes opportunities for business and employment growth, innovation, and partnership.

5.2 The Strategic Priorities section of the 2024 Planning and Economic Development Department Business Plans and Budget document further highlights planned activities for the current budget year which will contribute to the achievement of the Region's priorities outlined in the Region's Strategic Plan.

6. Conclusion

6.1 The recommended 2024 Planning and Economic Development Department Business Plans and Budget meets the Council approved guideline for the 2024 Property Tax Supported Business Plans and Budget and supports the Department's role in generating new investment, creating jobs, and establishing and implementing a long-term vision for the growth and prosperity of the Region.

6.2 It is recommended that the Planning and Economic Development Committee approve the 2024 Business Plans and Budget for the Planning and Economic Development Department and forward this report to the Finance and Administration Committee for consideration during the budget deliberations of the 2024 Property Tax Supported Business Plans and Budget.

6.3 This report has been reviewed by the Finance Department and the Commissioner of Finance concurs with the recommendation.

7. Attachments

7.1 The detailed 2024 Business Plans and Budget for the Planning and Economic Development Department is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

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Commissioner of Planning and
Economic Development

Recommended for Presentation to Committee

Original signed by

Elaine C. Baxter-Trahair
Chief Administrative Officer

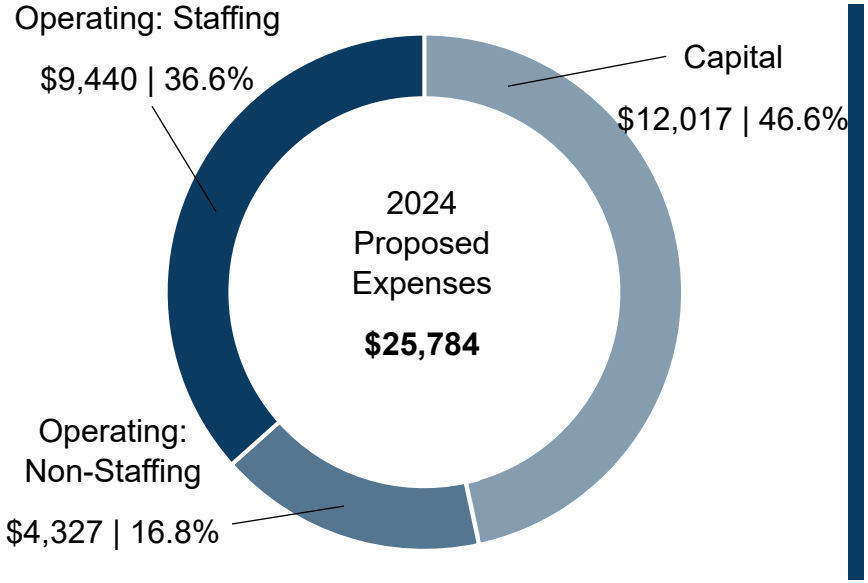
2023 Accomplishments – Link to Reports/Websites for more information

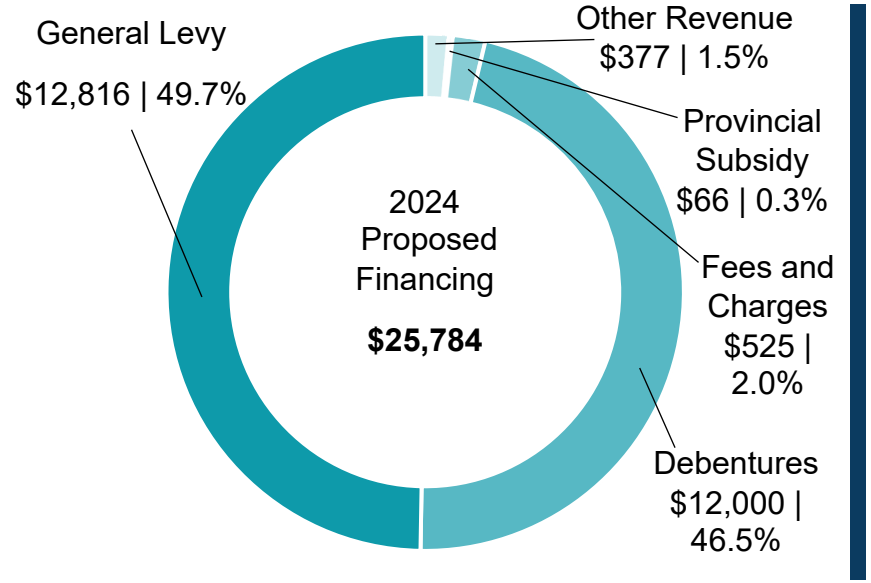
- Envision Durham
- Recommendations for Eligible Projects Under the At Home Incentive Program for Affordable Housing
- Update to 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan
- Durham Meadoway Visioning Study
- Pedal for Patients Charity Ride
- Collision Conference
- How to do business with the film and television industry
- Hosted the Durham 2023 Ontario Parasport Games.
- "Gather at the Farm"
- On Farm Diversified Use best practices report
- North Durham Building Business Forum
- Business Toolkits for each of the northern municipalities.

Durham Budget 2024

PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Responsible for establishing and implementing a long-term vision for the growth and economic prosperity of the Region





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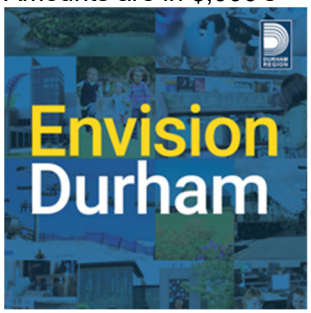

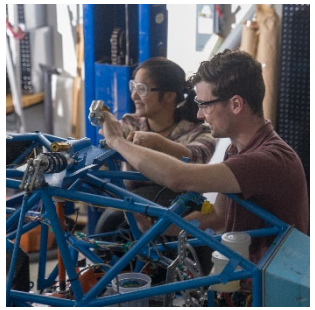

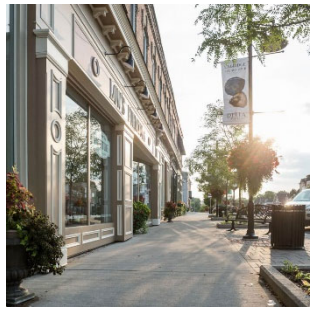

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Major Programs and Services

Planning

Responsible for administering and implementing the Durham Regional Official Plan, which provides a broad policy framework for managing the future growth and development of the Region.

It is still not clear how Bill 23, if proclaimed, will fully impact the regional planning function which may, in turn, affect additional aspects of the Planning Division's budget. The 2024 Planning Budget considers the proposed changes to Bill 23 and the transfer of the Regional Land Division approval responsibilities to the area municipalities in late 2023 that is projected to decrease Application Fee Revenue by 35% as compared to the 2023 budget. Three full-time positions in the Planning Division will remain vacant for all of 2024. It remains premature to make any additional changes to the operational aspects of the Planning Division until more information about the potential proclamation of Bill 23 is known.

Policy and Special Studies

Formulates, maintains, and monitors the policies of the Durham Regional Official Plan, the Region's principal planning document. Envision Durham, the new Council adopted Regional Official Plan will guide decisions on infrastructure and service delivery, long-term growth and development, through policies that ensure an improved quality of life – by securing the health, safety, convenience, and well-being of present and future residents of the Region.

Transportation Planning

Develops strategic transportation policies and initiatives such as the Transportation Master Plan (TMP) and the Regional Cycling Plan (RCP) and the Freight and Goods Movement Strategy. Supports and promotes sustainable and active transportation options including walking, cycling, and carpooling. Employs travel demand forecasting models to assess how growth will affect the transportation system within the community.

Plan Implementation

Fulfills planning review responsibilities assigned to the Region through the Planning Act and ensures Regional and Provincial interests and policies are implemented through the review of various plans and development applications. Administers the Region's Soil and Groundwater Protocol, Woodland Conservation By-law, and Street Naming functions.

Land Division

Responsibility for this function was transitioned to the area municipalities in 2023.

Major Programs and Services Continued

Executive
Establishes and implements the overall direction for delivering Regional planning and economic development services, from current to strategic long-range planning, economic development, and tourism, as directed by Regional Council and as mandated by the Planning Act. Discharges certain planning approval powers delegated from the Province on behalf of Regional Council.

GIS and Visualization
Provides data, mapping and graphics services including the provision of Geographic Information System (GIS) analysis, database design and management and visual products including maps, artwork, and infographics.

Administration and Support Services
Provides customer care, administrative support and assistance to professional and management staff in delivering their responsibilities.

Citizen Advisory Committees
Supports the education, outreach and communication activities of the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee, the Durham Active Transportation Committee, and the Durham Environment and Climate Advisory Committee.

Application and Approval Revenue
Provides cost recovery through fees for certain statutory planning approvals, applications, and related matters.

Headquarters Shared Cost – Planning Portion
The allocated share of costs attributable to the Planning Division for their portion of the operation of Regional Headquarters facility.

Major Programs and Services Continued

Economic Development and Tourism

Promotes Durham Region as an ideal place to establish and do business while enjoying a high quality of life.

Administration

Responds to current and evolving conditions within the local economy and delivers programs and services, in cooperation with partners across the Region, in business development and investment attraction, agriculture and rural economic development, tourism, marketing, cluster development, and cultural industries. This program area will support long-term economic growth and prosperity and promote the Regional value proposition for talent growth and new investment. This program is also responsible for advancing strategic projects to improve investment readiness, including continual evaluation of the supply of serviced employment lands, and investigating the viability of strategic land development opportunities.

Business Development

Focuses on the following core areas of service delivery: 1) Investment Attraction (Domestic and Foreign), including a specific focus on growing the priority sectors of future energy, next-generation mobility, and applied digital technology, alongside continued relationship development with partners at senior levels of government and abroad; 2) Increased focus on business retention and expansion for large and strategic employers; 3) Strengthening the Innovation Community, and 4) Data, Research, and Analytics focused on continued improvement of our web content and promoting available sites in the Region.

Marketing and Tourism

Promotes Durham for new business investment and for inbound tourism visitors. The Marketing and Tourism Section undertakes marketing campaigns to showcase the Region as a great place to invest for expanding businesses in key priority sectors. The Section also grows the brand and Regional reputation for urban excitement and country charm, it works to strengthen the Region’s Quality of Place, champions inclusive tourism, and drives prosperity by prioritizing activities with high potential for spending at locally owned businesses. The program works closely with partners to nurture, develop, and grow industry sectors. This program works to support and grow the Region’s arts, cultural, and creative industries, including film & television.

Major Programs and Services Continued

Business Advisory Centre Durham
Business Advisory Centre Durham assists, advises, mentors and monitors start-ups and existing small businesses and business associations to increase local job creation, benefitting the local economy and residents. Regional funding is matched by the Province through the Province-wide Small Business Advisory Centre program. Staff are working to transition the Business Advisory Centre into the Regional Corporation in 2024 (Report 2023-EDT-12).

Agri-Food and Rural
Provides support and services for the attraction, retention, and expansion of new and existing businesses within the Townships of Scugog, Uxbridge and Brock. This program also supports the targeted growth of the agri-food industry in Durham Region by working closely with agri-food organizations and businesses to develop and implement programs and initiatives, including targeted support to develop on-farm diversification, agri-tourism, and agri-tech.

Community Promotion Resources
Offers an opportunity to showcase the Tribute Communities Centre and profile Durham as a location for a wide range of activities and events, including sporting and cultural events, which increase inbound tourism and builds a quality of place for residents.

Headquarters Shared Cost – Economic Development and Tourism Portion
The allocated share of costs attributable to the Economic Development and Tourism Division for their portion of the operation of Regional Headquarters facility.

Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office

The Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office is responsible for implementing rapid transit projects, and ensuring that the community building and economic benefits associated with rapid transit investment are captured by the Region in the form of Transit Oriented Development Strategies. The Manager responsible for Rapid Transit and Implementation reports to the Commissioner of Works. The Manager responsible for Transit-Oriented Development and their associated budget, reports through the Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development.

Strategic Priorities

For 2024 some of the key priorities and planned actions focus on:

Environmental Sustainability

Support the province's review and approval of Envision Durham, the new Regional Official Plan that provides a framework for growth to 2051

Lead and coordinate the Municipal Environmental Class Assessment process for the creation of a signature destination, the Durham Meadoway, that will feature a multi-use path, public spaces, connections to adjacent neighbourhoods and parks, public art and areas for environmental restoration

Enhance the Division's growth management and data analytic capabilities to move towards the implementation of a growth management model that will better monitor residential unit supply, employment land supply as well as the availability of infrastructure capacity and servicing

Lead and coordinate efforts to provide a Regional perspective on planning policy initiatives introduced by the Province

Strategic Priorities Continued

Community Vitality

Implement the Affordable Housing Incentive Program, and complete the first stage of a Regional Housing Assessment report to inform area municipal consideration of Inclusionary Zoning (IZ) opportunities in Protected Major Transit Station Areas, following numerous provincial changes to IZ regulations and applicability

Advance the active transportation actions of the 2021 Regional Cycling Plan to realize complete communities that are bikeable, walkable and well connected, while enhancing community safety and well-being

Begin implementation of the Family Physician Attraction and Retention Program in collaboration with the area municipalities, Clarington Board of Trade, and the Durham Ontario Health Team; and continue to deliver welcome and support services to the family medicine trainees in the Region and attract new family doctors

Economic Prosperity

Continue to progress the approved Lakeshore East GO Extension to Bowmanville design and feasibility work by advancing and refining the Region's Station Implementation Strategy to capitalize on the economic and community building benefits associated with rapid transit investment. Continue to build the Rapid Transit Deployment Plan

Implement the Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan: READY SET FUTURE: A PLACE Blueprint for Durham

Strategic Priorities Continued

Support business decision making by leading the annual Business Count program

Focus investment attraction efforts at the intersection of the Future Energy and Next-Generation Mobility sectors, including through promotion of the Region as the ‘Clean Energy Capital of Canada’

Produce promotional materials encouraging visits, tourism, sport tourism and local business support in Durham Region including the Discovery Guide and new cycling maps

Implement the Growing North Durham Plan in the Townships of Brock, Scugog and Uxbridge

Support the Region’s incredible innovation community

Implement the Growing Agri-Food Durham Plan, which encourages local food production, on-farm diversification and agri-tourism uses

Strategic Priorities Continued

Initiate the actions from the 2022 Durham Region Freight and Goods Movement Forum to enhance supply chain resiliency, streamline inter-modal connectivity, improve the efficient movement of freight along 400-series highways and reduce barriers to transitioning to carbon neutral goods movement practices

Service Excellence

Continue the advancement of PLANit - the Region's new development application tracking system to make the development application process faster and easier and accelerate housing development approval timelines

Key Targets for 2024

Planning

- Maintain a minimum 50% of new residential building permits constructed within the built-up area to demonstrate intensification target of A Place to Grow: A Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, is being met
- Maintain a target of 98% of new residential units being located within Settlement Areas to demonstrate protection of Rural Areas

Economic Development and Tourism

- Create at least 125 new leads for prospective investment in the Region from businesses in the priority sectors identified in Ready Set Future
- Implement 5 actions from the Growing Agri-Food Durham Plan and Growing North Durham Plan
- Achieve 50,000 unique visitors to the Durham Tourism website for visitor information and resources
- Achieve 18% overall follower growth across all Economic Development & Tourism social media accounts

Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office

- Work cooperatively with Regional Departments, provincial and local area municipal partners to secure the inclusion of appropriate infrastructure in the procurement process for the approved Lakeshore East GO Extension to Bowmanville
- Continue to collaborate with Metrolinx to advance the Lakeshore East GO Extension to Bowmanville design and feasibility assessment work

Financial Details: Summary by Account ($,000's)

Provides the gross expenditures and revenues - including both operating and capital - and the resulting net property tax requirement

	2023 Estimated Actuals	2023 Approved Budget	2024 Proposed Budget	Variance $	Variance %
Operating Expenses					
Operating Expenses					
Personnel Expenses	7,945	9,018	9,440		
Personnel Related	216	288	293		
Communications	679	722	686		
Supplies	10	15	16		
Computer Maintenance & Operations	140	166	141		
Materials & Services	82	95	108		
Buildings & Grounds Operations	1	2	1		
Equipment Maintenance & Repairs	7	10	8		
Vehicle Operations	18	7	7		
Outside Agency Expenses	317	315	341		
Professional Services	982	1,092	1,183		
Contracted Services	7	7	6		
Leased Facilities Expenses	67	71	53		
Rentals - Tribute Communities Centre Box	14	16	16		
Financial Expenses	1	1	1		
Minor Assets & Equipment	-	5	5		
Contribution to Reserves / Reserve Funds	78	78	78		
Headquarters Shared Costs	751	751	788		
Operating Expenses Subtotal	**11,315**	**12,659**	**13,171**	**512**	**4.0%**
Internal Transfers & Recoveries					
TOD Solicitor	283	283	293		
TOD Real Estate	68	68	68		
TOD Procurement	126	126	130		
TOD Communications	102	102	105		
Internal Transfers & Recoveries Subtotal	**579**	**579**	**596**	**17**	**2.9%**
Gross Operating Expenses	**11,894**	**13,238**	**13,767**	**529**	**4.0%**

Financial Details: Summary by Account ($,000's)

Provides the gross expenditures and revenues - including both operating and capital - and the resulting net property tax requirement

Durham Budget 2024	2023 Estimated Actuals	2023 Approved Budget	2024 Proposed Budget	Variance $	Variance %
Capital Expenses					
New	4	4	12,008		
Replacement	70	70	9		
Capital Expenses Subtotal	**74**	**74**	**12,017**	**11,943**	**16139.2%**
Total Expenses	**11,968**	**13,312**	**25,784**	**12,472**	**93.7%**
Operating Revenue					
Provincial Subsidy	-	-	(66)		
Fees & Service Charges	(618)	(798)	(524)		
Sale of Publications	(1)	(1)	(1)		
Revenue from Municipalities	(57)	(56)	(84)		
Reserve Fund Financing for Operations	-	(75)	-		
Recovery from Transit	(284)	(284)	(293)		
Operating Revenue Subtotal	**(960)**	**(1,214)**	**(968)**	**246**	**20.3%**
Capital Financing					
Debenture Financing	-	-	(12,000)		
Capital Financing Subtotal	**-**	**-**	**(12,000)**	**(12,000)**	**(100%)**
Total Revenues and Financing	**(960)**	**(1,214)**	**(12,968)**	**(11,754)**	**968.2%**
Property Tax Requirement Planning and Economic Development	**11,008**	**12,098**	**12,816**	**718**	**5.9%**

Financial Details: Summary by Program ($,000's)

Provides the total operating expense, capital expense, subsidy, other revenue and the resulting property tax requirement for each major program and service

	Durham Budget 2024	2023 Estimated Actuals	2023 Restated Budget					2024 Proposed Budget					Variance	
			Operating Expenses	Gross Capital	Subsidy Funding	Other Funding	Approved Budget	Operating Expenses	Gross Capital	Subsidy Funding	Other Funding	Proposed Budget	$	%
Planning														
1	Policy and Special Studies	1,319	1,552	-	-	-	1,552	1,459	-	-	-	1,459	(93)	
2	Transportation Planning	1,194	1,508	-	-	(284)	1,224	1,916	-	-	(293)	1,623	399	
3	Plan Implementation	1,002	1,427	-	-	-	1,427	1,426	-	-	-	1,426	(1)	
4	Land Division	114	150	-	-	-	150	-	-	-	-	-	(150)	
5	Executive	498	492	-	-	-	492	511	-	-	-	511	19	
6	GIS and Visualization	783	891	-	-	-	891	906	-	-	-	906	15	
7	Administration and Support Services	684	665	52	-	(1)	716	680	7	-	(1)	686	(30)	
8	Citizen Advisory Committees	21	28	-	-	-	28	28	-	-	-	28	-	
9	Application and Approval Revenue	(546)	-	-	-	(798)	(798)	-	-	-	(515)	(515)	283	
10	Headquarters Shared Cost - Planning Portion	534	534	-	-	-	534	560	-	-	-	560	26	
Planning Subtotal		**5,603**	**7,247**	**52**	**-**	**(1,083)**	**6,216**	**7,486**	**7**	**-**	**(809)**	**6,684**	**468**	**7.5%**
Economic Development														
1	Administration	431	430	18	-	-	448	499	8	-	(28)	479	31	
2	Business Development	837	986	-	-	(30)	956	1,066	-	-	(30)	1,036	80	
3	Marketing and Tourism	1,672	1,639	-	-	(26)	1,613	1,650	-	-	(26)	1,624	11	
4(a)	Business Advisory Centre Durham (BACD)	163	163	-	-	-	163	259	-	(66)	(9)	184	21	
4(b)	Facilities - Garden Street (BACD)	76	81	-	-	-	81	61	-	-	-	61	(20)	
	Subtotal BACD	239	244	-	-	-	244	320	-	(66)	(9)	245	1	
5	Agri-Food and Rural	582	600	-	-	-	600	615	-	-	-	615	15	
6	Community Promotion Resources	14	16	-	-	-	16	16	-	-	-	16	-	
7	Headquarters Shared Cost - Economic Development Portion	217	217	-	-	-	217	228	-	-	-	228	11	
Economic Development Subtotal		**3,992**	**4,132**	**18**	**-**	**(56)**	**4,094**	**4,394**	**8**	**(66)**	**(93)**	**4,243**	**149**	**3.6%**

Financial Details: Summary by Program ($,000's)

Provides the total operating expense, capital expense, subsidy, other revenue and the resulting property tax requirement for each major program and service

Durham Budget 2024	2023 Estimated Actuals	2023 Restated Budget					2024 Proposed Budget					Variance	
		Operating Expenses	Gross Capital	Subsidy Funding	Other Funding	Approved Budget	Operating Expenses	Gross Capital	Subsidy Funding	Other Funding	Proposed Budget	$	%
Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office													
1 Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office	1,413	1,859	4	-	(75)	1,788	1,887	12,002	-	(12,000)	1,889	101	
Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office Subtotal	**1,413**	**1,859**	**4**	**-**	**(75)**	**1,788**	**1,887**	**12,002**	**-**	**(12,000)**	**1,889**	**101**	**5.6%**
Property Tax Requirement Planning and Economic Development	**11,008**	**13,238**	**74**	**-**	**(1,214)**	**12,098**	**13,767**	**12,017**	**(66)**	**(12,902)**	**12,816**	**718**	**5.9%**

Financial Details: Summary of Capital ($,000's)

Provides a summary of the current year capital budget, nine-year capital forecast and proposed financing summarized by asset type. See Appendices for specific capital projects

Durham Budget 2024	2023 Approved Budget	2024 Proposed Budget	Forecast 2025	2026	2027	2028	2029-2033	Forecast Total
Planning								
Capital Expenditures								
Information Technology	52	7	62	87	11	62	193	415
Capital Expenditure Subtotal	**52**	**7**	**62**	**87**	**11**	**62**	**193**	**415**
Capital Financing								
General Levy	52	7	62	87	11	62	193	415
Capital Financing Subtotal	**52**	**7**	**62**	**87**	**11**	**62**	**193**	**415**
Total Capital Planning	**52**	**7**	**62**	**87**	**11**	**62**	**193**	**415**
Economic Development and Tourism								
Capital Expenditures								
Information Technology	18	8	24	23	8	24	85	164
Vehicles	-	-	80	-	-	-	80	160
Capital Expenditure Subtotal	**18**	**8**	**104**	**23**	**8**	**24**	**165**	**324**
Capital Financing								
General Levy	18	8	24	23	8	24	85	164
Reserve/Reserve Funds	-	-	80	-	-	-	80	160
Capital Financing Subtotal	**18**	**8**	**104**	**23**	**8**	**24**	**165**	**324**
Total Capital Economic Development and Tourism	**18**	**8**	**104**	**23**	**8**	**24**	**165**	**324**

Financial Details: Summary of Capital ($,000's)

Provides a summary of the current year capital budget, nine-year capital forecast and proposed financing summarized by asset type. See Appendices for specific capital projects

Durham Budget 2024	2023 Approved Budget	2024 Proposed Budget	Forecast					
			2025	2026	2027	2028	2029-2033	Forecast Total
Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office								
Capital Expenditures								
Information Technology	4	2	2	4	6	2	22	36
Buildings	-	12,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure Subtotal	**4**	**12,002**	**2**	**4**	**6**	**2**	**22**	**36**
Capital Financing								
General Levy	4	2	2	4	6	2	22	36
Debentures	-	12,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Financing Subtotal	**4**	**12,002**	**2**	**4**	**6**	**2**	**22**	**36**
Total Capital Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office	**4**	**12,002**	**2**	**4**	**6**	**2**	**22**	**36**
Total Capital Planning and Economic Development	**74**	**12,017**	**168**	**114**	**25**	**88**	**380**	**775**

Details of Budget Changes

Strategic Investments: Planning	**2024 Impact** ($ 000's)
Various transportation planning studies including an update to the transportation planning model ($150k) and bicycle parking guidelines ($50k) which are offset in part by the 2023 one-time transportation planning studies (-$132k)	68
Transition of responsibility for Land Division functions to area municipalities resulting in a projected reduction in application fee revenue ($282k) which is partially offset by reduced operating expenses (-$30k)	252
Upgrade an administrative position to a Senior Planner to support transportation planning	33
Net decrease in capital investment – see detailed project listing in Appendix A	(45)
Strategic Investments: Planning Subtotal	**308**

Base Adjustments: Planning	**2024 Impact** ($ 000's)
Economic increases	261
Inflationary pressures	10
Increase provision for gapping savings	(103)
Line-by-line savings	(34)
Increase in Planning's share of costs for the operation and maintenance of Regional Headquarters	26
Base Adjustments: Planning Subtotal	**160**

Details of Budget Changes Continued

Net Changes: Planning	**468**

Strategic Investments: Economic Development and Tourism	**2024 Impact** ($ 000's)
Ongoing implementation of the Family Physician Attraction and Recruitment Program in collaboration with the local area municipalities, Clarington Board of Trade and Durham Ontario Health Team to advance the creation of a program to attract and retain family medicine trainees and family physicians to Durham (Report 2024-COW-3). Total projected cost of $55k which is partially offset by $27k in area municipal contributions	28
Partnering with Parkwood National Historic Site - as one of the top-ten filming locations in Canada – to promote Durham's film industry through a co-branding arrangement	25
Upgrade a Program Coordinator to a Business Specialist to deliver more advanced investment attraction programming and support to inbound business investors	25
Increase in missions and delegations to support investment attraction and business retention	31
Additional part-time staff resource to provide sector growth services across Durham's creative industries, including film and television, and music – including establishing Durham as a music region	23
Increased contract cost for service delivery by the Sport Durham co-chair for major multi-sport events	10
Partial year impact of transition of Business Advisory Centre Durham into the Regional Corporation (annualized cost of $39k)	1
Net decrease in capital investment – see detailed project listing in Appendix A	(7)
Strategic Investments: Economic Development and Tourism Subtotal	**136**

Details of Budget Changes Continued

Base Adjustments: Economic Development and Tourism	**2024 Impact** ($ 000's)
Economic increases	85
Line-by-line savings	(83)
Increase in Economic Development's share of costs for the operation and maintenance of Regional Headquarters	11
Base Adjustments: Economic Development and Tourism Subtotal	**13**

Net Changes: Economic Development and Tourism	**149**

Strategic Investments: Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office	**2024 Impact** ($ 000's)
Additional professional services to continue to advance and refine the Region's Transit Oriented Development Strategy to capitalize on the economic and community building benefits associated with rapid transit investment	58
Design costs for the four new GO Train stations for the Lakeshore East GO Extension to Bowmanville ($12,000k). These stations are proposed to be debenture financed with repayment from Transit fees. The second phase of these costs ($9,000k) is subject to further reporting and approval by Regional Council	-
Strategic Investments: Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office Subtotal	**58**

Details of Budget Changes Continued

Base Adjustments: Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office	**2024 Impact** ($ 000's)
Economic increases	54
Line-by-line savings	(11)
Base Adjustments: Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office Subtotal	**43**
Net Changes: Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office	**101**
Net Changes: Planning and Economic Development	**718**

Staffing Details

Planning	Full Time Equivalents (FTE's)
2023 Approved Complement	45.0
Planning Subtotal	**45.0**

Economic Development and Tourism		Full Time Equivalents (FTE's)
2023 Approved Complement		18.0
Proposed New Positions		
Transition of the following three positions to Regional positions to support the integration of the Business Advisory Centre into the Corporation of the Regional Municipality of Durham		
• Manager, Entrepreneurship Centre	1.0	
• Business Start-Up Advisor	1.0	
• Program Assistant	1.0	
Total Proposed New Positions		3.0
Economic Development and Tourism Subtotal		**21.0**

Staffing Details Continued

Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office	**Full Time Equivalents** (FTE's)
2023 Approved Complement	6.0
Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office Subtotal	**6.0**

Total Complement: Planning and Economic Development	**72.0**

Looking Forward

Economic Development and Tourism will continue to support the local economy by:

- Increasing the level of support in advancement of the Region's Arts, Cultural, and Creative Industries, and growing the underlying quality of place
- Strengthening partnerships with Durham Farm Fresh in continued support of our agricultural sector, and promoting our culinary and tourism industries
- Supporting the agri-food sector through programming and events to help them grow, and supporting north-Durham businesses in their plans to grow, expand, and hire new staff
- Focusing investment attraction on sectors with high growth potential, such as applied digital technology, future energy, and next-generation automotive; and nurturing relationships with key investment attraction agencies with senior levels of government; and
- Delivering innovative and modern new marketing campaigns to promote the Region for investment and showcase our value proposition.

The Department will continue to improve the ways it addresses the needs of residents and the business community through strategic planning and modernization of services aimed at integrating technology to provide timely and relevant services such as:

- Envision Durham, the new Regional Official Plan incorporates contemporary policies and best practices, makes better use of digital data, and provides a stronger on-line presence that is streamlined, accessible, intuitive, and user-friendly. The new Regional Official Plan supports economic development and job creation, encourages more sustainable communities, enables more affordable housing, encourages more transit supportive development, supports farming and rural communities and protects natural features
- Continuously looking to improve the Region's economic development and tourism on-line presence to better respond to the needs of the Durham residents and businesses. This includes improving access to digital information that allows users to customize queries to suit their individual needs

Looking Forward Continued

- The on-line development application and review experience is being transformed by PLANit, the Division's new development application tracking and reporting software. PLANit is allowing staff to drastically reduce paper-based development processes, will improve monitoring capabilities and will allow applicants to track applications and monitor their progress in real time. In 2024, the Division will launch its external application portal, subject to the outcome of Bill 23; and
- Liaising with Regional departments, area municipalities, the province, and the private sector to advance the construction of the Lakeshore East GO Extension to Bowmanville, the approval of unfunded segments of the Durham Scarborough Bus Rapid Transit project and the Visioning and Environmental Assessment Study for Simcoe Rapid Transit, recognizing the economic and community building benefits that will be catalyzed by this rapid transit investment.

These opportunities and challenges will continue to build the partnerships and collaborations that make Durham Region a great community to live, invest, innovate and create.

Appendix A: 2024 Planning and Economic Development Capital Projects ($,000's)

Provides financing details for capital projects proposed in 2024. See Appendix B for the comprehensive 2024 capital budget and 2025-2033 forecast

Durham Budget 2024	Quantity	New / Replacement	2024 Proposed Financing: Other	Reserve/ Reserve Funds	Industrial DCs	Institutional DCs	Commercial DCs	Residential DCs	Subsidy /Grant	Debenture	General Levy	2024 Proposed Budget	Approved Funding Prior to 2024	Forecast 2025-2033	Total Project to 2033
Planning															
Information Technology															
2 Power Laptop	2	Replacement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7			7
Information Technology Subtotal			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**7**	**7**	-	-	**7**
Planning Capital Subtotal			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**7**	**7**	-	-	**7**
Economic Development and Tourism															
Information Technology															
7 Mobile Laptop	4	New	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8			8
Information Technology Subtotal			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**8**	**8**	-	-	**8**
Economic Development and Tourism Capital Subtotal			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**8**	**8**	-	-	**8**
Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office															
Information Technology															
9 Standard Laptop	1	Replacement	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2			2
Information Technology Subtotal			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**2**	**2**	-	-	**2**
Buildings															
10 Station Design to 30% [1]	4	New	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,500	-	2,500	-	-	2,500
11 Metrolinx Due Diligence Review of Station Design to 30% [1]	4	New	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200	-	200	-	-	200
12 Regional Due Diligence Review of Station Design to 30% [1]	4	New	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	300	-	300	-	-	300
13 Station Design to 100% [1 2]	4	New	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,500	-	8,500	-	-	8,500
14 Metrolinx Due Diligence Review of Station Design to 100% [1 2]	4	New	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	100	-	-	100
15 Regional Due Diligence Review of Station Design to 100% [1 2]	4	New	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	400	-	400	-	-	400
Buildings Subtotal			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**12,000**	-	**12,000**	-	-	**12,000**
Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office Capital Subtotal			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**12,000**	**2**	**12,002**	-	-	**12,002**
Total Capital Planning and Economic Development			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	**12,000**	**17**	**12,017**	-	-	**12,017**

Notes: [1] The design and associated costs for the four new stations along the Lakeshore East GO extension to Bowmanville is proposed to be debenture financed with repayment from Transit fees

[2] The second phase of the design is subject to reporting to Council at the completion of the phase one design (station design to 30 per cent) and Council approval of the phase two design (station design to 100 per cent)

Appendix B: 2024-2033 Planning and Economic Development Capital Forecast ($,000's)

Provides a listing for all projects within the 2024 budget and nine-year capital forecast. See Appendix A for financing details for capital projects proposed in 2024.

Durham Budget 2024	2024 Proposed Budget	Forecast					
		2025	2026	2027	2028	2029-2033	Forecast Total
Planning							
Information Technology							
1 Standard Laptops	-	44	20	-	44	84	192
2 Power Laptops	7	14	14	11	14	63	116
3 Mobile Laptops	-	4	6	-	4	16	30
4 iPads	-	-	15	-	-	30	45
5 Large Format Plotter	-	-	32	-	-	-	32
Information Technology Subtotal	**7**	**62**	**87**	**11**	**62**	**193**	**415**
Planning Total	**7**	**62**	**87**	**11**	**62**	**193**	**415**
Economic Development and Tourism							
Information Technology							
6 Power Laptops	-	4	11	-	4	25	44
7 Mobile Laptops	8	20	12	8	20	60	120
Information Technology Subtotal	**8**	**24**	**23**	**8**	**24**	**85**	**164**
Vehicles							
8 Vehicles	-	80	-	-	-	80	160
Vehicles Subtotal	**-**	**80**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**80**	**160**
Economic Development and Tourism Total	**8**	**104**	**23**	**8**	**24**	**165**	**324**
Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office							
Information Technology							
9 Standard Laptops	2	2	4	6	2	22	36
Information Technology Subtotal	**2**	**2**	**4**	**6**	**2**	**22**	**36**

Appendix B: 2024-2033 Planning and Economic Development Capital Forecast ($,000's)

Provides a listing for all projects within the 2024 budget and nine-year capital forecast. See Appendix A for financing details for capital projects proposed in 2024.

Durham Budget 2024	2024 Proposed Budget	Forecast					
		2025	2026	2027	2028	2029-2033	Forecast Total
Buildings							
10 Station Design to 30% [1]	2,500	-	-	-	-	-	-
11 Metrolinx Due Diligence Review of Station Design to 30% [1]	200	-	-	-	-	-	-
12 Regional Due Diligence Review of Station Design to 30% [1]	300	-	-	-	-	-	-
13 Station Design to 100% [1 2]	8,500	-	-	-	-	-	-
14 Metrolinx Due Diligence Review of Station Design to 100% [1 2]	100	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 Regional Due Diligence Review of Station Design to 100% [1 2]	400	-	-	-	-	-	-
Buildings Subtotal	**12,000**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Rapid Transit and Transit Oriented Development Office Total	**12,002**	**2**	**4**	**6**	**2**	**22**	**36**
Total Capital - Planning and Economic Development	**12,017**	**168**	**114**	**25**	**88**	**380**	**775**

Notes: [1] The design and associated costs for the four new stations along the Lakeshore East GO extension to Bowmanville is proposed to be debenture financed with repayment from Transit fees

[2] The second phase of the design is subject to reporting to Council at the completion of the phase one design (station design to 30 per cent) and Council approval of the phase two design (station design to 100 per cent)

The forecast will be updated in 2025 to reflect further GO East Station construction plans and related financing, subject to financial feasibility and further Council direction related to Bill 131 in conjunction with discussions with Metrolinx, the Ministry of Infrastructure and the Ministry of Transportation

Appendix C: Planning – Citizen Advisory Committees

Durham Budget 2024	2023 Approved Budget	2024 Change	2024 Proposed Budget
Durham Environment and Climate Advisory Committee	15,480	-	15,480
Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee	9,770	-	9,770
Durham Active Transportation Committee	3,000	-	3,000
Planning – Citizen Advisory Committees Total	**28,250**	**-**	**28,250**

Appendix D: Planning – Application and Approval Revenue

Durham Budget 2024	2023 Estimated Actuals	2023 Approved Budget	2024 Proposed Budget
Area Municipal Official Plan Amendments			
Application	35,000	43,750	43,750
Approval	-	5,250	5,250
Area Municipal Official Plan Amendments Subtotal	**35,000**	**49,000**	**49,000**
Subdivision/Condominium			
Rental Applications			
Application	-	26,341	-
Approval	-	4,046	-
Delegated Applications			
Subdivision Applications	80,000	115,100	100,000
Condominium Review	30,000	29,974	30,000
Major Revision	-	10,791	15,000
Clearance	37,000	44,361	30,000
Other (Extension/Recirculation)	-	14,387	7,500
Non-Delegated Applications			
Subdivision Applications	24,000	-	6,000
Condominium Review	-	-	6,000
Major Revision	-	-	-
Clearance	3,388	-	3,000
Subdivision/Condominium Subtotal	**174,388**	**245,000**	**197,500**

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Durham Budget 2024	2023 Estimated Actuals	2023 Approved Budget	2024 Proposed Budget
Land Division			
Application	120,150	161,421	-
Commenting	44,500	80,710	50,000
Certification & Re-stamping	75,476	91,808	100,000
Tabling	7,800	12,107	-
Special	-	504	-
Land Division Subtotal	**247,926**	**346,550**	**150,000**
Regional Official Plan Amendments			
Minor	22,000	48,658	16,000
Major	-	46,342	40,000
Regional Official Plan Amendments Subtotal	**22,000**	**95,000**	**56,000**
Rezoning Applications	**31,500**	**43,200**	**50,000**
Other Fees	**34,515**	**18,800**	**12,800**
Planning - Application and Approval Revenue Total	**545,329**	**797,550**	**515,300**