



Friday, February 20, 2015

\*By email only\*

Denis Kelly  
Regional Clerk  
Regional Municipality of York  
17250 Yonge Street  
Newmarket, Ontario  
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Dear Mr. Kelly,

Subject: Notice of Special Meeting of Regional Council  
York Region Official Plan Five (5) Year Review

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Thank you for providing the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA) with Notice of a Special Meeting of Regional Council with regard to the Region's 5-year Official Plan review. We support the Region in its effort to keep its Official Plan current based on ongoing changes to provincial legislation and policy including the Provincial Policy Statement (2014) and Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe.

In addition, we note that the Region's Official Plan update process is an opportunity to include appropriate policy related to the following:

- ✓ Approved Source Water Protection Plan for the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe region under the *Clean Water Act*
- ✓ 2015 Provincial Plan review for the Greenbelt Plan, Growth Plan, and Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan
- ✓ Green Infrastructure including Low Impact Development (LID) best management practices and the LSRCA's Rainscaping Program
- ✓ Climate change adaptation measures
- ✓ Sustainability targets related to water, energy, waste, and air quality
- ✓ Natural Capital elements including the use of Ecological Goods Services (EGS) evaluations

We look forward to working with the Region with this Official Plan update, and if you have any questions with regard to these comments, please contact Charles Burgess, or the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob Baldwin'.

Rob Baldwin  
General Manager, Planning and Development

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LSRCA, Mike Walters