



Date: December 5, 2022 Resolution No. 2022-381

Moved By: 

Seconded By:  WRIGHT

Whereas the Council of the Municipality of Brighton is supportive of Provincial initiatives that streamlines development approvals, reduces expenditures of new home construction, and promotes affordable housing;

And Whereas the Province of Ontario through Bill 23, the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022 amends the *Planning Act* and *Development Charges Act* in substantive aspects;

And Whereas the Municipality of Brighton asserts that the clear implications of many of the changes will result in significant financial and administrative burdens on small municipalities, such as our own;

Now Therefore, the Council of the Municipality of Brighton hereby resolves to advise the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Housing the Environmental Registry Office, and the Honourable David Piccini, MPP, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and MPP for Northumberland – Peterborough South, the following:

1. Please review amendments to the *Development Charges Act* and *Planning Act* that would provide relief from charges or payments with consideration for a statutory substitution in providing incentives for affordable and attainable housing through Community Improvement Plans under Section 28 of the *Planning Act* wherein the thresholds of municipal fiscal impacts can best be measured in a local context. The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing is recommended to be enabled to order a generic Community Improvement Plan and related by-laws, where local Council has been consulted. In issuing Housing Market bulletins that act as the basis of defining affordability, the Minister is encouraged to issue one for each municipality having in place an Official Plan in order to avoid large variations in housing market prices among communities within the otherwise geographically large housing market area.

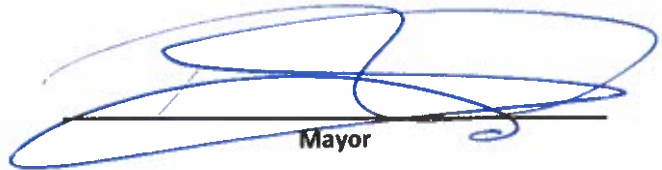
2. Growth-related studies (e.g. *Development Charges Background Study*, *Parks and Recreation Master Plans*, *Secondary Plans*, *Servicing Plans*) should be recognized as facilitating development; the *Development Charges Act* is advised to retain development-related studies as an eligible charge;

3. Much more so than development charges or parkland payments, infrastructure and servicing costs are a prime determinant for housing affordability. The Province is requested to enhance its infrastructure grant programs to Municipalities. In receiving grants, development charges would be reduced accordingly.

4. Regarding changes to the *Conservation Authorities Act* and related regulations and policies, integration of Conservation Authority regulations into *Planning Act* policies and zoning standards are welcomed. However, permitting a service agreement between municipalities and Conservation Authorities regarding receiving advice on matters of natural heritage and stormwater management, among other select issues, remains supported.

5. New limitations on the applicability of Site Plan Control under Section 41 of the *Planning Act* is advised to be removed to retain eligibility of external design and development under ten new homes. This will avoid overly prescriptive zoning by-law

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 Mayor

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