

Memorandum

Corporate Services Department City Clerk Services

Date: May 26, 2020 File: A-2150

To: Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, Development Services Department,

Corporate Services Department, Community Services Department

From: Jennifer Allan

Administrative Assistant

Re: Direction of Oshawa City Council

May 25, 2020

Attached is a listing of Council's direction on matters discussed at the meeting held May 25, 2020. Please review the listing and take the appropriate action to address Council's decision for those matters within your respective area of responsibility.

Jennifer Allan City Clerk Services Attention: Development Services Department, Finance Services

Action Taken: Carried

CNCL-20-61 Waiving the July 1, 2020 Indexing of City of Oshawa Non-Residential

Development Charges

Recommendation

Whereas on June 10, 2019, the Council of the City of Oshawa passed By-law 60-2019 to establish development charges in the City of Oshawa for residential and non-residential development; and,

Whereas of By-law 60-2019 requires the indexing of residential and non-residential development charges on January 1 and July 1 of each year to keep up with increased construction costs; and,

Whereas on June 17, 2019 By-law 60-2019 was appealed by the Durham Region Home Builders Association (D.R.H.B.A.) to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (L.P.A.T.); and,

Whereas City Council agreed to settle the appeal from the D.R.H.B.A. which included, among other matters, delaying the indexing of only the residential development charge to January 1, 2021; and,

Whereas the Province of Ontario and the City of Oshawa declared a state of emergency regarding the COVID-19 pandemic; and,

Whereas the COVID-19 pandemic has had an unprecedented impact on the local economy; and,

Whereas it is appropriate to consider providing an incentive to the non-residential development community which has been impacted by the COVID -19 pandemic; and,

Whereas on May 8, 2020, the Mayor's Task Force on Economic Recovery recommended that Council consider waiving the July 1, 2020 indexing of development charges for non-residential development to help advance economic recovery in the City; and,

Whereas the Region of Durham is also advancing the process to waive their annual indexing of development charges; and,

Whereas the L.P.A.T. has yet to make a decision on the settlement of the D.R.H.B.A. appeal; Therefore, that Council direct staff to take the necessary actions to allow the L.P.A.T. to include in its decision the waiving of the July 1, 2020 indexing of the non-residential development charge to provide an economic incentive to the non-residential development community and to help advance economic recovery in the City.