

MOTION FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION – June 1, 2015

RE: Proposed Amendments to the *Planning Act* and *Development Charges Act* under Bill 73

The Operational Leadership Team recommends:

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has introduced Bill 73, being proposed amendments to the *Planning Act* and the *Development Charges Act*;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Newmarket on June 1, 2015 adopted the recommendations and endorsed the contents of Joint Development and Infrastructure/Planning & Building Services and Corporate Services/Financial Services Report 2015-13 dated May 4, 2015 which comments on and identifies issues related to the proposed Bill 73;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Newmarket wishes to make further comments with respect to the proposed Bill 73;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket as follows:

- i) **THAT** the Province of Ontario be requested to amend Bill 73 to include the authority for a municipality to establish a sunset clause associated with the approval of privately initiated *Planning Act* applications;
- ii) **AND THAT** the Province of Ontario be requested to amend Bill 73 to restrict appeals of conformity amendments to reflect provincial plans and policy unless the municipal official plan policy provides for more protection or is more restrictive than the provincial plan or policy;
- iii) **AND THAT** the Province of Ontario be requested to amend Bill 73 to extend the review timeframe to 360 days for official plan amendments and plans of subdivision, 240 days for zoning by-law amendment applications, and 60 days for site plan applications, and that these review timeframes be established as-of-right in the *Planning Act*, as opposed to requiring special notice from the applicant or approval authority.
- iv) **AND THAT** this resolution be circulated to Ken Petersen, Manager, Provincial Planning Policy Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, 777 Bay Street, 13th Floor, Toronto, On, M5G 2E5