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Memorandum

Revision to the Parkland Dedication By-law regarding Housing Affordability

April 19, 2021

Mayor Taylor and Members of Council,

On February 25, 2021 Regional Council adopted the following motion:

1. In order to support the acceleration of Affordable Housing in York Region, York Region Council requests all lower tier municipalities to amend their parkland dedication bylaw to exempt Housing York Inc. from being required to pay parkland fees and to provide a decision to York Region by May 30, 2021.

In response, on April 12, 2021 the Town of Newmarket Committee of the Whole directed staff to prepare a draft amendment to the parkland dedication by-law to exempt Housing York Inc. from being required to pay parkland dedication fees.

Accordingly staff have revised Section 8.1 (b) of the Town's Parkland Dedication by-law (by-law 2017-56), as follows. This change provides additional clarity that parkland dedication fees are not required for any York Region or Housing York re/development:

"This by-law shall not apply to the following:

(b) *Development* or *redevelopment* of land, buildings or structures owned by and used for the purposes of the Region of York, **including Housing York Inc.**, or **the** provincial government."

The revised By-law is attached to this memorandum.

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Corporation of the Town of Newmarket

By-law 2021-18

A By-law to amend By-law 2017-56 being a By-law To Provide For The Conveyance Of Land And Cash-In- Lieu Thereof For Park And Other Purposes

Whereas Council supports the acceleration of Affordable Housing in York Region; and,

Whereas Council supports Housing York Inc. through exemption of fees.

Therefore be it enacted by the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Newmarket as follows:

1. That Section 8.1 (b) of By-law 2017-56 be amended to read:

(b) Development or redevelopment of land, buildings or structures owned by and used for the purposes of the Region of York, including Housing York Inc., or the provincial government."

Enacted this 19th day of April, 2021.

John Taylor, Mayor

Lisa Lyons, Town Clerk