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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor & Members of Council

FROM: Richard C. Nethery, B.E.S., MCIP, RPP Director, Planning and Building Services

October 8, 2015 DATE:

RE: Feed-in Tariff (FIT) Program Request for Council Support - Notice to Proceed

In accordance with the Independent Electricity Systems Operator (IESO) program rules (Version 3.1) proponents are required to obtain municipal council support prior to projects beginning construction. The IESO refers to this construction authorization as a Notice to Proceed.

There are a number of projects within the Town that received municipal council support in 2013 that have not as yet proceeded to construction. Due to the length of time since Council granted support to these projects, the IESO is requesting proponents have the municipal council reaffirm their support for the projects prior to proceeding with development of their FIT projects.

The attached resolution, in the form prescribed by the IESO, will allow projects that previously received support resolutions from Council to move forward.

Richard C. Nethery, B.E.S., MCIP, RPP Director, Building and Planning Services



**WHEREAS** capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the FIT Contract, Version 3.1;

**AND WHEREAS** the Province's FIT Program encourages the construction and operation of rooftop solar PV generation projects (the "Projects");

**AND WHEREAS** one or more Projects may be subject to FIT Contracts and may be constructed and operated in the Town of Newmarket ("Local Municipality");

**AND WHEREAS** in accordance with the FIT Rules, Version 3.0, the Council of the Local Municipality ("Council") had previously indicated, by a resolution, its support for Projects in the Local Municipality (the "Prior Resolution");

**AND WHEREAS** Council now indicates, by a resolution dated no earlier than June 10, 2015, Council's continued support for the construction and operation of the Projects anywhere in the Local Municipality (the "New Resolution");

**AND WHEREAS**, pursuant to the FIT Contract, where a New Resolution is received in respect of the Projects in the Local Municipality, Suppliers will be recognized as fulfilling the requirements under Section 2.4(d)(vii) of the FIT Contract, which may result in Suppliers being offered Notice to Proceed in accordance with the terms of their respective FIT Contract(s);

## NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Council of the Town of Newmarket supports the construction and operation of the Projects anywhere in the Town of Newmarket.

This resolution's sole purpose is to enable Suppliers to achieve Notice to Proceed under their FIT Contracts and may not be used for the purpose of any other form of municipal approval in relation to a FIT Contract or Project or for any other purpose.

This resolution shall expire twelve (12) months after its adoption by Council.