



Committee Minutes

Affordable Housing Task Force March 3, 2021 – 10:30 AM

The Affordable Housing Task Force met on the above date through electronic means with the following members in attendance:

Present: Warden Selwyn Hicks; Councillors Dwight Burley, Paul McQueen, Alar Soever, Shirley Keaveney and Brian O’Leary

Staff

Present: Kim Wingrove, Chief Administrative Officer; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Housing; Randy Scherzer, Director of Planning; Savanna Myers, Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture; Scott Taylor, Senior Planner; Heather Morrison, Clerk; Kathie Nunno, Deputy Clerk/Legislative Coordinator and Rob Hatten, Communications Manager

Call to Order

Chair McQueen called the meeting to order at 10:32 AM.

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations made.

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Reports

Addendum to PDR-AF-01-20 Updated Housing Action Plan and Next Steps

Randy Scherzer presented the above report, providing an update on the initiatives underway for affordable and attainable housing in Grey County.

Current initiatives include the creation of an affordable housing fund, establishing a land bank, Community Improvement Plan (CIP) incentives, Development Charge (DC) exemptions and deferrals, Official Plan (OP) and zoning changes, creating a concept

plan for the Durham lands and including housing related initiatives in the Climate Action Plan.

Anne Marie Shaw provided the Task Force with an overview of the updated Housing Action Plan.

Councillor Soever entered the meeting during the presentation.

Next steps were outlined.

Questions from the Task Force were then addressed regarding timelines, communication with neighbouring landowners, engaging with known landlords/developers, climate change opportunities and costs, potential programs to support non-profits that are already providing housing, energy use education and awareness, and reaching out to federal and provincial counterparts about opportunities to support Grey County's housing initiatives.

Main Motion

Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor O'Leary

That Addendum to Report PDR-AF-01-20 be received which provides an update on the actions and initiatives that are underway to address both affordable and attainable housing and includes an updated Housing Action Plan; and

That Council endorse the updated Housing Action Plan attached to this report and direct staff to implement the next steps and actions that will assist with creating more affordable and attainable housing throughout the County.

Amendment to Main Motion

AF04-21 Moved by: Warden Hicks Seconded by: Councillor Burley

That the main motion be amended to add engaging with known landlords/developers to the updated Housing Action Plan

Carried

Main Motion as Amended

AF05-21 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor O'Leary

That Addendum to Report PDR-AF-01-20 be received which provides an update on the actions and initiatives that are underway to address

both affordable and attainable housing and includes an updated Housing Action Plan; and

That Council endorse the updated Housing Action Plan attached to this report as amended to add engaging with known landlords/ developers and direct staff to implement the next steps and actions that will assist with creating more affordable and attainable housing throughout the County.

Carried

Other Business

There was no other business.

Next Meeting Dates

At the call of the Chair.

On motion by and Councillors O'Leary and Soever, the meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM.

Paul McQueen, Chair