

Proposed Amendment 1 to the Growth Plan and Updated Land Needs Assessment Methodology

On July 30, 2020 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. Council endorse this report and Attachment 2 as the Region's submission to the Province in response to Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO) postings # 019-1679: Proposed Land Needs Assessment Methodology for A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and # 019-1680: Proposed Amendment 1 to A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, and that the Province be advised that:
 - a. as York Region is forecast to continue to accommodate the highest share of growth within the Greater Golden Horseshoe, support for this growth is required from the Province through:
 - i. timely infrastructure approvals for projects, particularly the Upper York Water Reclamation Centre,
 - ii. sustainable revenue tools to ensure growth pays for the costs of growth,
 - iii. programs and initiatives to improve housing affordability, and
 - iv. the allocation of funds to York Region from the Non-Resident Speculation Tax
 - b. the Region supports extending the planning horizon to 2051 under the Reference Scenario (2.02 million people and 900,000 jobs) on the basis of having the ability to phase urban expansion to align with infrastructure and financial planning and to ensure delivery of complete communities
 - c. employment land conversions within Major Transit Station Areas should be considered through a Municipal Comprehensive Review
2. The Regional Clerk forward this report and the attachments to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Clerks of the local municipalities and local Members of Provincial Parliament.