



HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE OVERVIEW AND MANDATE

Presented to
Housing and Homelessness
Committee

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Purpose

Council Direction

In April 2025, Council established Housing and Homelessness Committee as a Special Committee of Council

Council referred proposed mandate and Terms of Reference for the Housing and Homelessness Committee to its first meeting and directed Committee to report back with any further recommended changes

Presentation Purpose:

1. Provide an overview of Housing and Homelessness Committee governance structure
2. Confirm Housing and Homelessness Committee proposed mandate and Terms of Reference, as directed by Council
3. Confirm proposed meeting schedule and topics for 2025

Organizational Structure



Regional Council
Service Manager

Shareholder
Owns HYI

Committee of
the Whole

**Housing and
Homelessness
Committee**

- 10-year housing and homelessness plan
- Enabling new supply across system
- Non-profit development



HYI Board of Directors

- Working with Region on HYI development
- Setting HYI's strategic direction
- Oversight of HYI business, budget, financials with focus on operations, asset management, tenant relations and supports

Housing and Homelessness Committee

Proposed Mandate

Guide development of next 10-year housing and homelessness plan and oversee early stages of implementation, with focus on increasing supply across housing and homelessness system

Responsibilities:

- Identify, prioritize, and recommend housing and homelessness system **solutions** to inform next 10-year housing and homelessness plan
- Support **coordination** with key partners, such as local municipalities and development industry, to advance shared priorities
- **Advocate** for investment from all levels of government and support the Region to secure relevant funding
- **Monitor** and evaluate effectiveness of housing strategies, policies, and programs
- Other responsibilities approved by Council

Housing and Homelessness Committee Schedule and Topics

Timeline	Proposed Subjects	Details and Deliverables
June 2025	<i>Identify Opportunities:</i> Accelerate housing options, overcome barriers, leverage innovative solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receive an update on the Regional Lands Highest and Best Use evaluation• Receive an updated site selection framework for emergency, transitional, and community housing to recommend for Council's approval• Identify strategies to accelerate housing and homelessness projects and priorities
September 2025	<i>Identify Opportunities:</i> Learn from experience and explore a pilot project	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review direction and implementation of actions to increase affordable and community housing supply• Provide feedback on work to advance emergency and transitional housing sites and make recommendations to Council• Receive information on barriers, opportunities, and lessons learned from panel• Recommend opportunities to leverage \$35.1M Regional investment, with focus on innovative techniques and increasing speed new units can come online (HYI/non-profit development)
October 2025	<i>Moving Forward:</i> Advance a pilot project in York Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Receive update on next 10-year housing and homelessness plan• Recommend pilot project for Council's consideration from a list of potential options

Discussion

Proposed mandate and topics explore how the Region can do more to increase supply through next 10-year housing and homelessness plan

Discussion

- Proposed mandate to prioritize and recommend solutions for next 10-year housing and homelessness plan, with focus on supply
- Terms of Reference
- Proposed schedule and topics for 2025

Summary



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It is recommended the Housing and Homelessness Committee report back to Regional Council on its mandate and Terms of Reference, including any further changes