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Hon. Steve Clark
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
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RE: Resolution from Mayor Lovatt, re: Governance Review

Please be advised that the above-noted matter was placed before Council at its meeting held on May 7, 2019, and the following resolution was passed:

Whereas the province of Ontario is actively reviewing municipal governance; and

Whereas Whitchurch-Stouffville is unique with its large rural area of greenbelt and moraine covering 97.9% of the Town's land area; and

Whereas Whitchurch-Stouffville is unique with a lack of developable lands; and

Whereas given the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville is unique in York Region, the Town does not share a community of interest with its neighbours; and

Whereas the Region of York and area municipalities have a history of cooperation; and

Whereas the northern six municipalities are recognized for their cooperative procurement, such as waste management and recycling, and problem-solving efforts; and

Whereas the local level of government is the closest to the people and the most accountable level of government; and

Whereas municipal Councillors play an important representation function that cannot be replaced by paid staff.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville does not support material changes to governance structure.

Carried

Yours truly,

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