



City of  
**Peterborough**

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**To:** **Members of the Committee of the Whole**

**From:** **Malcolm Hunt, Director of Planning and Development Services**

**Meeting Date:** **June 22, 2015**

**Subject:** **Report PLHD15-005  
City of Peterborough response to the Long-Term Affordable  
Housing Strategy Update Consultation**

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## **Purpose**

A report to request approval for the City of Peterborough's response to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing's consultation on the Long-Term Affordable Housing Strategy Update.

## **Recommendations**

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report PLHD15-005 dated June 22, 2015, of the Director of Planning and Development Services, as follows:

- a) That Appendix A of Report PLHD15-005 titled "City of Peterborough's Response to Ontario's Long-Term Affordable Housing Strategy", be approved as the City's response to the consultation carried out by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
- b) That Report PLHD15-005 be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing before the deadline of July 3, 2015.

## **Budget and Financial Implications**

There are no budget or financial implications as a result of this report.

## Background

In April, 2015, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) announced that they would begin consulting with Service Managers and stakeholders on an update to the Long-Term Affordable Housing Strategy (LTAHS), which was launched in 2010. MMAH invited Service Managers to provide written submissions before July 3, 2015. The City of Peterborough's response is attached as Appendix A.

MMAH has stated that this consultation will build on the extensive consultations that helped build the 2010 strategy, the work of Service Managers to develop their 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plans, the Expert Advisory Panel on Homelessness and input from Indigenous peoples and organizations.

The focus of update to the Long-Term Affordable Housing Strategy has shifted from improving access to housing to integrating housing with strategies to end homelessness. The updated vision states:

"Every person has an affordable suitable and adequate home to provide the foundation to secure employment, raise a family and build strong communities."

In developing a response to the LTAHS update, City staff consulted with stakeholders from the Affordable Housing Action Committee, the Homelessness Support Services Coordinating Committee and the Supportive Housing Network. This response is informed by the 10-year Housing and Homelessness Plan and the Progress Report 2014, as well as sector association responses from the Housing Services Corporation (HSC) and Ontario Municipal Social Services Association (OMSSA).

As much as possible, responses were put forward that have particular relevance and potential for positive impact in the Peterborough region.

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**Attachments:**

Appendix A – City of Peterborough response to the Long-Term Affordable Housing  
Strategy Update