



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the General Committee

From: Jeff Leal, Mayor

Meeting Date: January 30, 2023

Subject: County Council Appointment to the Airport Strategic Initiatives Committee and City Participation on Employment Lands Task Force
Report COU23-001

Purpose

A report to recommend inviting the County of Peterborough to appoint a member of County Council to the Airport Strategic Initiatives Committee and to recommend that the Mayor participate in a Task Force with the County Warden and Mayors of the Townships within Peterborough County to collaborate on employment lands in the region.

Recommendations

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in report COU23-001 dated January 30, 2023, as follows:

- a) That City Council support the appointment of a County of Peterborough Council member to the Airport Strategic Initiatives Committee,
- b) That By-law 21-002, Being a By-law to Establish an Advisory Committee called Airport Strategic Initiatives Committee, be amended accordingly, and
- c) That the Mayor of Peterborough participate in a Task Force with the Warden of the County of Peterborough and the Mayors of the Townships within the County of Peterborough to collaborate on employment lands in the region.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budget or financial implications resulting from this report.

Background

The two motions being recommended through this Report are in response to requests by the County of Peterborough and speak to our collective interest in Economic Development in our community and desire to work together to continue a positive and collaborative relationship to maximize our region's potential.

It is intended that these motions, if approved at the General Committee meeting on January 30, 2023, would also be approved at the Council meeting the same evening.

In 2021, the City of Peterborough created a new Airport Strategic Initiatives Committee (ASIC) through Report CLSCLK21-002 dated January 18, 2021. The ASIC provides advice to staff and City Council on areas such as the Airport Strategic Development Plan, opportunities for new development, sustainability and revenue generation and noise reduction.

On March 17, 2021 the County of Peterborough passed a motion requesting the City to appoint a County Council member to the ASIC. The actions that would be required by City Council to accommodate this request were communicated to City Council through Report CLSCLK21-018, dated May 10, 2021. City Council received the report for information.

There are 7 members currently on the ASIC, the Mayor, Councillors Vassiliadis and Haacke, 2 community members from the city of Peterborough and two members from the aerospace industry. This report is to recommend that the City invites the County of Peterborough to appoint one of their Councillors to join the City as a member on the ASIC. The County of Peterborough worked collaboratively with the City of Peterborough to establish and provide access to the Peterborough Airport and is very committed to supporting economic development in our region. Having a County Councillor on the ASIC will bring another perspective and assist in continuing to develop the Peterborough Municipal Airport.

On Wednesday, January 18, 2023 the County approved the following motion:

That a Mayor's and Warden's Task Force be created (involving all Township Mayors, City Mayor and County Warden) to further the collaborative discussion regarding employment lands in the region.

Recommendation c) of this Report responds to this request in the affirmative that I would be please to participate in this Task Force.

Submitted by,

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