

To: Members of the General Committee

From: Sheldon Laidman, Commissioner, Community Services

Meeting Date: February 13, 2023

Subject: Amendments to Shareholder Declaration for Peterborough

**Housing Corporation, Report CSSS23-005** 

## **Purpose**

A report to request amendments to the Shareholder Declaration for Peterborough Housing Corporation (PHC) to include an appointee from County of Peterborough Council.

### Recommendations

That Council approve the recommendations outlined in Report CSSS23-005, dated February 13, 2023 of the Commissioner of Community Services as follows:

- a) That the Shareholder Declaration dated October 3, 2016 respecting Peterborough Housing Corporation be amended as described in this report to allow the County Council to appoint a delegate from County Council to the board; and
- b) That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute documents to effect the amendment to the Shareholder Declaration on terms acceptable to the Commissioner of Community Services and in a form acceptable to the City Solicitor.

# **Budget and Financial Implications**

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

## **Background**

Prior to 2021 the Board of PHC included one Council representative from both the City and the County as well as other citizen members. Council first amended the Shareholder Direction to amend the composition of the Board of PHC through Report CSSS21-008 where the membership was set as four members of City Council and the Warden of the County. At that time, the Warden opted not to fill their seat, selecting a delegate for the position. The Shareholder Declaration at the time did not specify that a delegate for the Warden could be appointed. The Shareholder Direction was then subsequently amended through Report CLSOCS21-006 to appoint five City Council members. The Board of PHC is currently comprised of five members of City Council which are specifically named as the Mayor, Chair of General Committee, Chair of Housing, Vice Chair of Housing, and Chair of Finance.

Since the current Finance Chair is also the Deputy Mayor, PHC currently only has a Board with four possible members per the Shareholder Direction. The County has indicated a great interest to have a representative on this Board as PHC functions in both the City and the County and has been instrumental in not only the management of housing units in the County but also the construction of new affordable housing projects in the County.

It is proposed that the Shareholder Declaration be amended by amending sections 4.2 (5) as follows:

#### 4.2 Board of Directors

The Board is comprised of four (4) members elected to Council of the City of Peterborough and one (1) member elected to Council of the County of Peterborough from time to time holding one of the following offices:

- 1. City's Mayor
- 2. City's Chair, Housing
- 3. City's Vice-Chair, Housing
- 4. City's Chair, Finance
- 5. Warden of the County of Peterborough (or such member of County Council as the Council of the County may, from time to time, appoint)

Submitted by,

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