

Report to Committee of the Whole

Re: Clerk's Office-2022-01 From: Martina Chait-Hartwig

Date: August 8, 2022

Re: Report - August 8, 2022 - Township Policy

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Clerk's Office-2022-01 report, dated August 8, 2022, regarding a Policy for Governing Policies No. C-10 received and that the Committee recommends that Council approve the draft Policy at the next Council meeting.

#### **Overview:**

One of the recommendations that came out of the 2020 Service Delivery and Organizational Review was that a new system for Township policies be implemented.

1.2.1 Develop a Policy Review Process.

Develop a practice of governance oversight through the routine review of "key" policies (at a minimum once per council term) in order to instill Council's oversight role. Remove procedures from corporate policies. Develop a Policy Review Process. Transition existing policies to set guiding principles, accountabilities and direction as opposed to procedures.

Now that the Planning and Clerk's Departments have been split, staff have the capacity to begin this project. The first step to the project is to implement a policy to govern policies in the Township to provide guidelines and roles and responsibilities for policy development in the Township.

## **Conclusion:**

The draft policy that is before the Committee, provides a framework for policy creation and will aid Council and staff in a fulsome review of all current policies and the separation of policies from procedures are recommended in the Service Delivery and Organizational Review.

### **Financial Impact:**

There is no financial impact to the Township as a result of passing this policy and the Policy will assist in mitigating the Township's liability as policies are reviewed and updated as required.

**Strategic Plan Applicability:**To ensure and enable an effective and efficient municipal administration.

# **Report Approval Details**

Document Title:	Township Policy regarding the Approval of Policies and Procedures.docx
Attachments:	- C10 - Policy Governing Policies.docx
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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