

November 15, 2022

Please be advised that during the regular Council meeting of November 8, 2022 the following motion regarding a response to the *More Homes Built Faster Act* (Bill 23) was carried:

**RESOLUTION NO.**    **2022-448**

**DATE:**                    **November 8, 2022**

**MOVED BY:**            **Councillor Hirsch**

**SECONDED BY:**      **Councillor MacNaughton**

**WHEREAS;** there has been an exceptionally small timeframe to comment on the *More Homes Built Faster Act* (Bill 23);

**WHEREAS;** the bulk of the changes contemplated in Bill 23 will be enacted by regulation;

**WHEREAS;** those regulations have been published on the government of Ontario website for comment by November 24, 2022;

**AND WHEREAS;** the following elements of Bill 23 and its proposed regulations are not in the best interest of The County:

- provision regarding inclusionary zoning for affordable housing has a proposed limit of only 5% of units in a subdivision of 10 or more units which should be increased to 15% to be effective.
- provisions regarding the *Heritage Act* which would have the effect of forcing municipalities to quickly make designation decisions on all properties currently on the heritage register.
- provisions relating to the *Conservation Authorities Act* which would have the effect of removing the Conservation Authority from providing effective and necessary comments on planning applications.
- provisions relating to the *Conservation Authorities Act* which would allow development in certain wetlands on an offset basis.
- proposed changes to municipal development charged, parkland, dedication levies, and community benefits charges that may contradict the goal of building more housing in the long-term.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT;** the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward advise the Provincial government that it does not support certain aspects of the More Homes Built Faster Act (Bill 23);

**THAT;** the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward direct the Mayor to submit objections with respect to the provisions listed above through the formal comment process within the timeframes for comment;

**THAT;** the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward advise the provincial government that it supports the submission made by Conservation Authorities in Ontario; and,

**THAT;** this resolution be shared with all 444 municipalities, FCM, AMCTO, AMO and Quinte Conservation.

**CARRIED**

Yours truly,

Catalina Blumenberg, **CLERK**

