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Ms. Laura Moy, Clerk Town of Tecumseh 917 Lesperance Road Tecumseh, Ontario, N8N 1W9

Dear Ms. Moy:

RE: Zoning By-Law Amendment D19 LEON 7035 10TH CONC RD ARN 374441000002500; PIN: 752300011 Applicant: William John Leon

The following is provided as a result of our review of Zoning By-Law Amendment D19 LEON. The purpose of the proposed amendment is to permit a stand-alone Additional Residential Unit (ARU) on the property, in accordance with subsection 4.1.2 xii) of the Tecumseh Official Plan. The proposed ARU has been located on the property since 2012 as a permitted garden suite. In order to permit temporary the permanent additional of the garden suite as a permanent standalone ARU a zoning by-law amendment is required.

## DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITY TO REPRESENT THE PROVINCIAL INTEREST IN NATURAL HAZARDS (PPS) AND REGULATORY RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES ACT

The following comments reflect our role as representing the provincial interest in natural hazards as outlined by Section 3.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act* as well as our regulatory role as defined by Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

The above noted lands are subject to our Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alteration to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation under the *Conservation Authorities Act* (Ontario Regulation No. 158/06). The parcel falls within the regulated area of the Webster Drain. The property owner will be required to obtain a Permit and/or Clearance from the Essex Region Conservation Authority prior to any future construction or site alteration or other activities affected by Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT AND SOURCE PROTECTION PLAN**

The subject property may lie wholly or partially within the Event Based Area (EBA) of the Essex Region Source Protection Plan, which came into effect October 1, 2015. The Source Protection Plan was developed to provide measures to protect Essex Region's municipal drinking water sources. As a result of these policies, new projects in these areas may require approval by the Essex Region Risk



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Management Official (RMO) to ensure that appropriate actions are taken to mitigate any potential drinking water threats. Should your proposal require the installation of fuel storage on the site, please contact the RMO to ensure the handling and storage of fuel will not pose a significant risk to local sources of municipal drinking water. The Essex Region's Risk Management Official can be reached by email at <u>riskmanagement@erca.org</u> or 519-776-5209 ext 214. If a Risk Management Plan has previously been negotiated on this property, it will be the responsibility of the new owner to contact the Essex Region Risk Management Official to establish an updated Risk Management Plan. For any questions regarding Source Water Protection and the applicable source protection plan policies that may apply to the site, please contact the Essex Region Risk Management Official.

#### WATERSHED BASED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

The following comments are provided in an advisory capacity as a public commenting body on matters related to watershed management.

#### SECTION 1.6.6.7 Stormwater Management (PPS, 2020)

Our office has reviewed the proposal and has no concerns relating to stormwater management.

# PLANNING ADVISORY SERVICE TO PLANNING AUTHORITIES - NATURAL HERITAGE POLICIES OF THE PPS, 2020

The following comments are provided from our perspective as an advisory service provider to the Planning Authority on matters related to natural heritage and natural heritage systems as outlined in Section 2.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act*. The comments in this section do not necessarily represent the provincial position and are advisory in nature for the consideration of the Planning Authority.

We note that the subject property is adjacent to (within 120 m of) a natural heritage feature that may meet the criteria for significance under the PPS. Section 2.1.8 of the PPS, 2020 states – "Development and site alteration shall not be permitted on adjacent lands to the natural heritage features and areas identified in policies 2.1.4, 2.1.5 and 2.1.6 unless the ecological function of the adjacent lands has been evaluated and it has been demonstrated that there will be no negative impacts on the natural features or on their ecological functions."

Notwithstanding the above noted references to the PPS policies, based on our review of the subject application, it is our recommendation to the Municipality that an Environmental Impact Assessment is

not required because the purpose of the proposed amendment is to permit the continuation of an existing garden suite as a permanent stand-alone Additional Residential Unit (ARU) on the property. This



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type of application would not meet the definition of development and therefore a demonstration of no negative impact is not required. In our opinion based on these circumstances, a demonstration of no negative impact has been satisfied or is not necessary in this case.

### FINAL RECOMMENDATION

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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Vitra Chodha, E.P *Resource Planner* /vc

