

Motions - June 25, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council

Background:

At the May 28, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council, direction was given to Administration to prepare a Resolution for Council's consideration at their June 25, 2019, Regular Meeting.

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That a resolution be drafted for Council's consideration at their next meeting, June 25, 2019, in support of the proposed new Regional Hospital Site; and that the resolution be sent to area municipalities, the County of Essex, the City of Windsor, the Provincial government and area MPP's upon its adoption.

Resolution:

In accordance with the direction of Council, the following Resolution has been drafted for Council's consideration:

Whereas a new regional hospital in Windsor-Essex County is desperately needed and would help improve the quality of healthcare in Windsor-Essex County; and

Whereas Windsor-Essex County has an opportunity to obtain a new regional hospital, which will serve all of the region for decades to come; and

Whereas almost half of the population of Windsor-Essex County, currently reside in the County of Essex, outside of the City of Windsor; and

Whereas growth statistics indicate that the municipalities in the County of Essex are increasing in size and population, which is a trend that is expected to continue and may result in the majority of the population of Windsor-Essex County residing in the County of Essex outside of the City of Windsor; and

Whereas the current location of the majority of hospital services in the extreme northwest corner of Windsor-Essex County is not readily accessible to the residents living in the County of Essex outside the City of Windsor relative to the proposed new site; and

Whereas the share of local funding for any new regional hospital in Windsor-Essex County is to be shared equally between the City of Windsor and the County of Essex.

Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the Town of Tecumseh supports placing any new regional hospital services in a location that more fairly serves the majority of the residents of Windsor-Essex County now and in the future; and

Be It Further Resolved That the Town of Tecumseh supports moving forward with the proposed location for the new regional hospital, which will improve accessibility to the facility by the region as a whole, and should help improve healthcare for the majority of residents in Windsor-Essex County; and

Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this motion be sent to area municipalities, the County of Essex, the City of Windsor, the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Andrea Horwath, Leader of the New Democratic Party; the Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care; Ms. Lisa Gretzky, MPP for Windsor West; Mr. Taras Natyshak, MPP for Essex; Mr. Percy Hatfield, MPP for Windsor-Tecumseh; and Mr. Rick Nicholls, MPP for Chatham-Kent-Leamington.