The consent of Council is requested for the addition of Report Number 63: Received from the Arts, Recreation & Community Policies Committee

Report Number 63: Received from the Arts, Recreation & Community Policies Committee

To the Mayor and Members of Council:

The Arts, Recreation & Community Policies Committee Reports and Recommends as follows from their August 5, 2020 meeting:

1. **Housing and Homelessness Strategies and Policy Amendments**

   That the strategies, initiatives and policy changes as outlined in Report Number HHC-20-005 be endorsed; and

   That the By-Law attached to Report Number HHC-20-005 as Exhibit A be presented to Council to amend By-Law Number 2003-88, A By-Law to Authorize the Establishment of a Social Housing Capital Reserve Fund (Purpose – Create a Sustainable Source of Funding For Capital Projects For Local Not-For-Profit Housing Providers), to approve up to 50% of the funding available within the Social Housing Capital Reserve Fund for affordable housing capital development projects; and

   That Report Number HHC-20-005 be submitted to City Council in its entirety.

   (See Report Number HHC-20-005 attached to the addendum as schedule pages 1-13)

   (See By-Law Number (18) 2020-126 attached to the addendum as schedule page 13)

The consent of Council is requested for the addition of Report Number 64: Received from the Administrative Policies Committee.

Report Number 64: Received from the Administrative Policies Committee

To the Mayor and Members of Council:

The Administrative Policies Committee Reports and recommends as follows:

1. **Appointment of Auditor for a Period of Three Years (2020-2022), with the Option of Appointment for Two Additional Years (2023-2024)**

   That Council, in accordance with Section 296(1) and (3) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, authorize the appointment of KPMG LLP as auditor of The Corporation of the City of Kingston, Kingston-Frontenac Public Library and Downtown Business Improvement Area, for a period of three years (2020-2022), with the option of extending the appointment for two additional years (2023-2024); and

   That Council delegate authority to the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, at his/her discretion, to extend the appointment of KPMG LLP as auditor of The Corporation of the City of Kingston and its local boards by exercising the option of
appointment for two additional years for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2024; and

**That** Council delegate authority to the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer to sign audit engagement letters with KPMG LLP, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to engage KPMG LLP to conduct audits on behalf of the City of Kingston and its local boards for the period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2022, as well as any extensions of appointment; and

**That** a draft By-Law, attached as Exhibit A to Report Number AP-20-023, be presented for all three readings to appoint KPMG LLP as auditor for the City of Kingston and its local boards for a period of three years (2020-2022), with the option of appointing for two additional years (2023-2024).

(Exhibit A to Report Number AP-20-023 is attached to the addendum as schedule pages 14-15)

(See By-Law Number (19) 2020-127 attached to the addendum as schedule pages 14-15)

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of Communication Number 22-470.

**Communications**

22-470  Correspondence received from George Caron with respect to 2285 Battersea Road, Spa and Inn Project, dated August 6, 2020.

(Distributed to all members of Council on August 6, 2020)

(Attached to the addendum as schedule pages 16-17)

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of **By-Laws (18), (19) and (20).**

**By-Laws**

(18)  A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2003-88 “A By-Law to Authorize the Establishment of a Social Housing Capital Reserve Fund (Purpose – Create a Sustainable Source of Funding for Capital Projects for Local Not-For-Profit Housing providers)

First and Second Readings  Proposed Number 2020-126

(Clause 1, Report Number 63)

(19)  A By-Law to Appoint KPMG as Auditors for the City of Kingston and Its Local Boards for a Period of Three Years (2020-2022), with the Option of Extending the Appointment for Two Additional Years (2023-2024).

Three Readings  Proposed Number 2020-127

(Clause 1, Report Number 64)
(20) A By-Law to provide for the assumption of the public highways in Creekford Subdivision Phase 1, Registered Plan 13M-67, in the City of Kingston, in accordance with section 31(4) of the Municipal Act, Chapter 25, S.O. 2001; and to provide acceptance by the City of Kingston, of the associated public works within.

Three Readings

Proposed Number 2020-128

(Delegated Authority)

(See Addendum schedule pages 18-19)
City of Kingston
Report to Housing & Homelessness Advisory Committee
Report Number HHC-20-005

To:           Chair and Members of the Housing & Homelessness Advisory Committee
From:         Lanie Hurdle, Chief Administrative Officer
Resource Staff: Ruth Noordegraaf, Director, Housing and Social Services
Date of Meeting:    July 30, 2020
Subject:     Housing & Homelessness Strategies and Policy Amendments

Council Strategic Plan Alignment:

Theme: 2. Increase housing affordability

Goal: 2.1 Pursue development of all types of housing city-wide through intensification and land use policies.

Executive Summary:

This report provides information and seeks Committee feedback and support on a variety of strategies and initiatives as well as policy changes in order to target community needs along the housing spectrum.

COVID-19 has brought to light the needs of the most vulnerable members of the community and has also identified gaps in the housing system. Staff have taken time to review Council priorities, existing policies, as well as financial resources and partnerships to outline a number of strategies and initiatives to target short and medium term housing needs.

Recommendation:

That the Housing & Homelessness Committee recommends to the Arts, Recreation and Community Policies Committee for consideration on August 5, 2020:

That the strategies, initiatives and policy changes as outlined in Report Number HHC-20-005 be endorsed; and
That the By-Law attached to Report Number HHC-20-005 as Exhibit A be presented to Council to amend By-Law Number 2003-88, A By-Law to Authorize the Establishment of a Social Housing Capital Reserve Fund (Purpose – Create a Sustainable Source of Funding For Capital Projects For Local Not-For-Profit Housing Providers), to approve up to 50% of the funding available within the Social Housing Capital Reserve Fund for affordable housing capital development projects; and

That Report Number HHC-20-005 be submitted to City Council in its entirety.
Consultation with the following Members of the Corporate Management Team:

Paige Agnew, Commissioner, Community Services  

Peter Huigenbos, Commissioner, Business, Environment & Projects  
Not required

Brad Joyce, Commissioner, Corporate Services  
Not required

Jim Keech, President & CEO, Utilities Kingston  
Not required

Desirée Kennedy, Chief Financial Officer & City Treasurer  

Sheila Kidd, Commissioner, Transportation & Public Works  
Not required
Options/Discussion:

Council Priorities

In 2019, City Council approved its Strategic Plan 2019-2022 which included “Increase Housing Affordability” as a key priority. This report focusses on the affordable housing strategic initiatives listed below which were included in the Council strategic priorities as well as on the needs of the most vulnerable members of the community as noted in the Housing & Homelessness Plan Update completed in late 2019.

Council Priorities:

- Enable the development of affordable housing units ranging from rent-geared-to-income (RGI) to 80% market rent on City-owned property.
- Consider development-related fee exemptions or reductions for affordable housing units.
- Consider payment of development charges over the construction period and prior to occupancy, instead of full payment required at time of building permit issuance.
- Develop a tiny home pilot project with the City as a partner.
- Advocate for increased funding investments.

Housing & Homelessness Plan Update:

In the 2019 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan update three strategic directions and 26 action items were identified. For the purposes of this report and the strategy and policy amendments, the following two directions and action items are especially relevant.

- End chronic homelessness: Transform and Strengthen the Housing and Homelessness System to Support Vulnerable Households to Maintain Housing Stability
  - Increase permanent supportive and transitional housing supply
  - Strengthen capacity to deliver Housing First
  - Strengthen and expand capacity of prevention and diversion programs
  - Support service providers and related organizations to ensure alignment with United Way's Ending Youth Homelessness Initiative
  - Review current women’s emergency housing suitability and address gaps identified
  - Indigenous cultural proficiency within homelessness service system

- Reduce housing need: Create New Affordable Housing Opportunities and Support the Community Housing Sector
  - Seek increased federal-provincial funding to expand delivery of Portable Housing Benefit/housing allowance program
  - Utilize municipal, provincial, and federal programs to build and/or acquire new affordable rental housing units and create policies to mitigate the loss of existing units
  - Assist non-profit providers to secure new sites for affordable housing development.
Housing Needs, Strategies and Initiatives

Affordable housing needs range from emergency shelters to affordable rental housing where rents are set at 80% of the local average market rent. This report includes some context as well as proposed strategies and initiatives to address needs identified in each area of the housing spectrum.

1. Shelters and Services for the Most Vulnerable

In 2019, the City began tracking the number of homeless individuals within the city through the introduction of the By-Name List. This list is a confidential real-time list of individuals who are homeless in the community. The list is updated by community service providers who work with individuals experiencing homelessness. There are presently (July 2020) approximately 135 individuals known to be experiencing chronic homelessness within the community. These individuals might be living rough, currently accessing a shelter bed, living in transitional housing, a medical facility or temporarily living with friends or family.

There are currently three shelters that the City, as service manager, is funding: The Kingston Youth Shelter (KYS), In From The Cold – adult coed shelter (IFTC) – and Lily’s Place - family shelter.

In addition to the City funded shelters there is also a Violence Against Women (VAW) shelter, Kingston Interval House, with 24 beds, that is funded directly by the provincial government. Two other agencies, Dawn House and Ryandale are agencies providing supportive transitional housing for women (six (6) spaces) and men (seven (7) spaces) respectively.

Both KYS and IFTC are shelters with congregate living and sleeping areas. At the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020, the City supported the Kingston Youth Shelter (KYS) with a temporary move to the 113 Lower Union Street facility to allow for the clients to physically distance accordingly with individual bedroom and washroom facilities. Between March and July the average number of clients at KYS was five (5) with a low of two (2) and a high of seven (7) clients per night.

The City also supported a temporary move of IFTC to the Fairfield East location at 670 MacLean Court. In April, the use of this temporary shelter was on average 25-30 clients/night. For the months of May to July, the usage dropped significantly to an average of 20 clients in May and 14 clients in June and July.

Lily’s Place saw limited clients for the months of March through to May with an increase in June and July to an average of five to seven per night (approximately two to three families).

As the lease at 670 MacLean Court was temporary and not extended by the owner, and the 113 Lower Union Street property is earmarked for supportive housing, KYS and IFTC are returning to their original facilities. Under the guidance of the Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) team at KFL&A Public Health, shelter staff have worked on a plan to return to the original...
facilities by August 1, 2020. Due to the necessary IPAC improvements, the shelter bed capacity has reduced to about 13 beds at IFTC, three families at Lily’s Place and five youth at the Kingston Youth Shelter.

Although the shelter capacity will be reduced due to the COVID-19 IPAC restrictions, with shelter utilization down consistently, and the opening of a drop-in centre with a resting area at Artillery Park (382 Bagot St.), clients will be able to find support. In addition, 113 Lower Union Street building will be available for a number of months as an overflow shelter if required. This will be the assurance that sufficient spaces are available in the system as shelters redesign their spaces with the impacts of COVID-19 and while review of the longer term needs of the emergency shelter system takes place.

Table 1 – Shelters Funded by the City and capacity in the past months and year.

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<td>Youth aged from 16 to 24</td>
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<td>Lily’s Place</td>
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A portion of homeless individuals prefer not to access shelters due to the service restrictions and policies that are in place and might present barriers.

In the winter of 2019/2020, a number of partners, including Home Base Housing (HBH), Kingston Community Health Centres (KCHC) and the City, opened a Warming and Counselling Centre (WCC) (235 Wellington St.) which was well utilized, with an average of 35 individuals per night, as a complementary service to the shelters. The WCC supported a clientele that require additional wrap-around services to meet complex needs that are not available in the traditional shelter system. Through the experience of the WCC it became clear that there was a gap in services for clients with acute needs.

COVID-19 further shed light on this gap in the system as the City had up to 90 individuals at one point staying in various encampments across the City. In order to meet some of the more complex needs, the City worked with partners to establish a temporary pilot Drop-In Centre at Artillery Park that offers a 24/7 service, including a safe consumption centre (pending approval
by the Province), nursing supports, referrals to community partners including mental health and primary care supports, as well as food and life skills group counselling on-site. The Drop-In Centre accommodates 20 individuals in the rest area and approximately 30 individuals in the cooling centre at once and will operate at Artillery Park until the end of September. City staff and partners are working on the possibility to secure a long-term location to continue this critical service which provides comprehensive wrap-around services from multiple agencies at one location. This service is similar to the One Roof service established for vulnerable youth in the community and requires significant health and mental supports which need to be provided and financed by partners and the provincial government.

Recommended Initiatives:

a. City/Service Manager to review current shelter system including shelter restrictions to increase access without compromising clientele and staff safety, Housing First programming, Prevention Diversion and Street Outreach services. This review will include the engagement with clients in the system. Staff will report back to the committee with review outcomes and a Request for proposal for each component of the shelter system for 2021 and beyond – Summer/Fall 2020.

b. City/Service Manager to review current social housing directives to explore the option of re-instating a homeless priority onto the centralized waiting list – Summer/Fall 2020.

c. Continue to work with partners to secure a permanent location for the adult Drop-In Centre that requires financial contribution from a number of health, mental health and addiction and community services agencies. The City will consider a contribution from the Homelessness Reserve Fund and other homelessness funding in conjunction with other partners and funders. This will include a review of the shelter system. – Summer/Fall/Winter 2020.

d. Where required utilize 113 Lower Union as shelter overflow due to the decreased capacity due to COVID-19 IPAC restrictions. – Summer/Fall 2020.

2. Supportive Affordable Housing

The 10-Year Housing & Homelessness Plan update recommends the creation of more affordable supportive and transitional housing, for those individuals with complex and co-occurring issues, with support and in collaboration with funders and coordinators in the health and community service fields (Local Health Integration Network, Children’s Aid Society, etc.) as a means of expanding support service opportunities in the community.

The updated 10-Year Housing & Homelessness Plan also recommends that the City investigates alternative and cost-effective options for affordable supportive housing, such as purchasing existing buildings. Due to the ongoing needs for community supports, the supportive housing configuration should include some buildings with individual rooms and common shared spaces.

The City recently acquired 113 Lower Union Street which was a former Addiction & Mental Health Services facility that was closed when tenants were relocated to a new facility at 35
Lyons Street. The Lower Union Street facility has 19 individual bedrooms with common spaces and was utilized to house the Kingston Youth Shelter over the past few months to allow for physical distancing. Over the next few months, it is proposed that the facility operates as an overflow shelter if required but that the City starts working with partners to build a plan that would enable future affordable supportive housing. The City’s intent is to make this facility available for affordable supportive housing which would be operated by a community partner. Based on the findings in the 10-Year Housing & Homelessness Plan update, the data on the By-Name List and the lessons learned from the COVID-19 pandemic, staff recommend, in addition to supportive housing for homelessness individuals, to prioritize women and indigenous members of the community in the Request for Proposal.

The acquisition of 113 Lower Union Street was funded by the Municipal Capital Investment in Affordable Housing Program. City staff are exploring other possibilities to increase the number of affordable supportive housing units but will need partners to operate and deliver services which cannot be funded by the City, as the mandate and resources are limited and do not include mental health and health care.

The City recently partnered with a private sector owner and Ongwanada to support the future construction of 28 supportive housing units for people with developmental disabilities. 20 of these units will have a rent equivalent to 60% of CMHC average market rent and 8 units will have a rent equivalent to 80% of CMHC average market rent for a period of 20 years. The development will be located on Bath Road in the west-end and will receive a total of $3.4M, including $477,065 from the Ontario Priorities Housing Initiative and $2,922,935 from the Municipal Capital Investment in Affordable Housing Program.

City staff are currently working with Home Base Housing (HBH) to develop two additional projects with a focus on youth and single adults respectively. At 484 Albert Street (former Princess Street United Church), HBH is proposing to develop a youth transitional housing project which will provide on-site wrap-around supports through the relocated One Roof program.

HBH also purchased a vacant property on an arterial roadway close to the City Centre with good public transportation available. HBH successfully applied to CMHC for a Seed Grant that will allow them to begin community consultation and initial design work and the required planning studies. The Seed Grant application was based on creating an alternative to traditional emergency shelter environments. The concept involves building small bachelor apartments that would be used as emergency housing instead of emergency shelter as well as longer term supportive housing.

Recommended Initiatives:

a. Issue a Request for Proposal for the future disposition of 113 Lower Union to ensure the operations of 19 affordable supportive housing units – Summer/Fall 2020.
b. Continue to identify options and acquire where possible buildings that are designed and could accommodate supportive housing.

c. City Council to advocate for resources and supports from the provincial government to secure health and mental health services to be incorporated within the supportive housing.

3. Affordable Housing (up to 80% CMHC average market rent)

Most of the Council priorities are focused on this segment of the housing continuum. Below, staff have listed the Council directions and provided an update on each.

a. Enable the development of affordable housing units ranging from rent-geared-to-income (RGI) to 80% market rent on City-owned property.

This includes the construction of at least 90 affordable housing units ranging from RGI to 80% average market rent. The City dedicated up to $18M to support this initiative. Technically, the 28 affordable supportive housing units are part of the new and additional housing units but City staff are developing a plan with partners to ensure that an additional 90 affordable housing units (within a project with a total of approximately 160 units) can be built on 1316 Princess Street which is a property owned by the City.

b. Consider development-related fee exemptions or reduction for affordable housing units.

All planning related fees are waived for affordable rental units that are 80% CMHC average market rents or less. This was implemented in late 2019.

c. Consider payment of development charges over the construction period and prior to occupancy, instead of full payment required at time of building permit issuance.

All development charges for residential development were reduced when the new development charges by-law was approved in late 2019. Furthermore, the Province passed new legislation that allows a period of 21 years to pay development charges for non-profit housing development. The Province has recently announced additional changes to development charges and community benefits which could include additional opportunities to provide relief for affordable housing developments. This requires further analysis.

d. Develop a tiny home pilot project with the City as a partner.

The City has been working with a potential partner to develop a tiny homes pilot project on City property. Staff anticipate that they will be able to bring a recommended project to Council in 2020.
e. Worth noting that although not the direct scope of this report, there are other initiatives taking place to maintain and increase the supply of affordable housing projects. A report is being prepared for the Administrative Policies Committee in August 2020 recommending amendments to the demolition control bylaw, and in lead up to Official Plan updates, staff will work on other strategies and policies to further increase housing supply of affordable housing.

Recommended Initiatives:

a. Complete the development plan for 1316 Princess Street with partners to build 90 affordable housing units. – Fall 2020.
b. Review options for development charges relief. – Summer/Fall 2020.
c. Complete the tiny home pilot project with partners and obtain Council approval. – Winter 2020.

Financial Investments and Policies

City Council endorsed up to $18M in municipal and Provincial funds for the development of 90 affordable housing units. The intent is to successfully obtain additional funding from the provincial and Federal government to support these developments.

So far, the City has committed a total of $5,173,000 which includes $2,923M for the construction of 28 new affordable supportive housing units and $2.25M for 19 affordable supportive housing units/rooms at 113 Lower Union Street. This means that there is still $12,827,000 uncommitted from the up to $18M endorsed by Council.

The City established a Social Housing Capital Reserve Fund in 2003 which initially included a one-time grant of $523,000 from the Federal government. The purpose of this reserve fund is to provide a revolving fund to support unexpected capital requests by social housing providers who do not have the necessary capital reserves available to them. In addition, any future Federal housing surplus dollars shall be deposited into this reserve fund. Withdrawals may be made from this reserve fund by way of interest-free loans for capital expenditures for social housing in accordance with a funding policy approved by Council. The term of the loan cannot extend beyond the termination date of the housing provider’s operating agreement. This Fund which receives 50% of housing providers yearly operational surpluses was last amended in 2012 and included changes to eligible expenses and provided for some forgiveable loan option. The Fund was also identified as a funding source to support aging social housing unit repairs.

There is currently a total of about $2.3M in this fund and $1,419,028 has been spent or committed since 2003. There is an average contribution of $172,000 per year invested in the Fund. Considering the limited use of the funds since its establishment and the increasing need for additional affordable housing units, City staff are recommending that the reserve fund policy be amended to support the acquisition of properties or construction of new affordable housing units. Therefore, it is recommended that 50% of the Fund be made available for the acquisition
of buildings/properties or new construction of affordable housing units. This change should create a new source of funding for new affordable housing units.

At the beginning of the pandemic, the City received approximately $1.4M for housing and homelessness to support vulnerable populations. The City spent $598,865 to date on temporary shelters and a self-isolation centre with $832,035 remaining. There is also $300,000 that has been committed to the Drop-In Centre, leaving $532,000. The remaining funds could be utilized to support the Drop-In Centre for the next year. The City was also informed that additional provincial funding for homelessness and vulnerable population is anticipated to be announced in late July.

**Existing Policy/By-Law:**

By-Law Number 2003-88 “A By-Law to Authorize the Establishment of a Social Housing Capital Reserve Fund (Purpose – Create a Sustainable Source of Funding For Capital Projects For Local Not-For-Profit Housing Providers)”

**Notice Provisions:**

None

**Accessibility Considerations:**

None

**Financial Considerations:**

Included in the body of the report.

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Mitchell Grange, Manager, Housing and Early Years, Housing & Social Services

John Henderson, Housing Program Administrator, Housing & Social Services

Kat Riley, Program Integrity Officer, Housing & Social Services

**Exhibits Attached:**

Exhibit A – Draft By-Law No. 2020-XX A By-Law to Amend By-Law Number 2003-88 “A By-Law to Authorize the Establishment of a Social Housing Capital Reserve Fund (Purpose – Create a
Sustainable Source of Funding For Capital Projects For Local Not-For-Profit Housing Providers)"
DRAFT BY-LAW NO. 2020-XX

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 2003-88 “A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOCIAL HOUSING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND (PURPOSE – CREATE A SUSTAINABLE SOURCE OF FUNDING FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR LOCAL NOT-FOR-PROFIT HOUSING PROVIDERS)”

PASSED: DATE, 2020

The Council of The Corporation of the City of Kingston hereby enacts as follows:

1. By-Law No. 2003-88 of The Corporation of the City of Kingston entitled, “A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOCIAL HOUSING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND (PURPOSE – CREATE A SUSTAINABLE SOURCE OF FUNDING FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR LOCAL NOT-FOR-PROFIT HOUSING PROVIDERS)” is hereby further amended as follows:

1.1. Section (2) is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following, so that Section 2 shall now read as follows,

“2. That the Fund be a revolving fund established to support capital requests, for the purpose of completing capital repairs or for the installation of renewable energy systems, by Housing Providers who do not have the necessary resources available to them. Up to 50% of the funding available within the Social Housing Capital Reserve Fund can be provided for affordable housing capital development projects; and”

Given First and Second Readings Meeting date (Month day, year)
Given Third Reading and Passed Meeting date (Month day, year)

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John Bolognone
City Clerk

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Bryan Paterson
Mayor
By-Law Number 2020-XX

A By-Law to Appoint KPMG LLP as Auditor for the City of Kingston and Its Local Boards for a Period of Three Years (2020-2022), with the Option of Extending the Appointment for Two Additional Years (2023-2024)

Passed: Meeting date (Month day, year)

Whereas Part VII, section 296(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, Chapter 25, as amended, states that:

“A municipality shall appoint an auditor licensed under the Public Accounting Act, 2004 who is responsible for:

(a) annually auditing the accounts and transactions of the municipality and its local boards and expressing an opinion on the financial statements of these bodies based on the audit; and

(b) performing duties required by the municipality or local board.”; and

Whereas Part VII, section 296(3) of the Municipal Act, 2001, Chapter 25, as amended, states that “An auditor of a municipality shall not be appointed for a term exceeding five years.”;

Therefore be it resolved that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Kingston hereby enacts as follows:

1. The firm of KPMG LLP is hereby appointed as the Auditor for The Corporation of the City of Kingston and Kingston-Frontenac Public Library and Downtown Business Improvement Area for the period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2022, with the option of appointment for two additional years for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2024.

2. Council delegates authority to the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, or delegate, at his/her discretion, to extend the appointment of KPMG LLP as auditor of The Corporation of the City of Kingston and its local boards by
exercising the option of appointment for two additional years for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2024.

3. Council delegates authority to the Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer, or delegate, to sign audit engagement letters with KPMG LLP, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, to engage KPMG LLP to conduct audits on behalf of the City of Kingston and its local boards for the period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2022, as well as any extensions of appointment.

4. This By-Law shall come into force and take effect on the date of its passing.

Given all Three Readings and Passed: Meeting date (Month day, year)

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John Bolognone
City Clerk

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Bryan Paterson
Mayor
From: George Caron  
Sent: Thursday, August 06, 2020 10:09 AM  
To: Bar, James <jbar@cityofkingston.ca>  
Subject: 2285 Battersea Rd, Spa and Inn project

Mr. Bar  
Planning Officer, City of Kingston

I am saddened that senior administrators and the majority of councillors on the Planning Committee are recommending the approval of the large Spa and Inn project at 2285 Battersea Rd. The rezoning of this parcel does not meet the standard of rural commercial and should be rejected. The overwhelming reason to reject this proposal rest with the security of well water resource for the near-by residents of Glenburnie. In the short term following the completion of all construction activity in phase 3 and after the two years of monitoring of well water it is felt well water will likely sustain the project. However, in future years, when 300-500 people visit or work on the site on a daily basis, the risk of well water being seriously compromised could become a reality and a potential tragedy.

If the city approves this project and is concerned about well water resource there are several steps that need to be taken.

1) A independent water testing company should test well water from year 3-5 years on a continuous basis. It will take well over two years following construction to record a significant increase in visitors to the site. The testing of well water for near-by residents should be extended.

2) At this time, I am informed that only 3 near-by resident's wells are being monitored. If correct, this is unacceptable and should include a minimum of 10 wells.

I am very concerned that the developer will do everything to avoid the well water extraction from reaching 50,000l per day. It is extremely important that the developer must record in a log book that clearly reveals how much water is being trucked in to the site. This information should be available to the city, near-by residents and the developer.

3) The city must review the developer's insurance policy documents to ensure that liability for future water loss of near-by residents is sufficient to cover the cost of providing water for many years until water and sewer services are provided by the city.

If the city does not approve the testing of well water for 4-5 years following all construction and our well water is greatly affected, a strong class action law claim against the developer and the city from protecting the interest of rural residents could be a reality.

Addendum Council Meeting 22 August 11 2020
Before each councillor and the mayor vote on this very large project, I ask each member to place themselves in the shoes of future rural residents and ask how can the city protect the water resource and property values for rural residents.

Maybe, one enlightened member would suggest the developer ship in all water to the city and not use well water to feed his ambitious project.

In conclusion, the location of the spa and inn project at 2285 Battersea is the wrong location and should be rejected. Yours truly, George Caron

cc: Mayor and 12 councillors

CITY COUNCIL
MEETING OF:
August 11, 2020

COMMUNICATION
No: 22-470
By-Law No. _____________

A By-Law to provide for the assumption of the public highways in Creekford Subdivision Phase 1, Registered Plan 13M-67, in the City of Kingston, in accordance with section 31(4) of the Municipal Act, Chapter 25, S.O. 2001; and to provide acceptance by the City of Kingston, of the associated public works within.

Passed: _____________, 2020

Whereas the owner, Creekford Development Company Ltd., entered into a Subdivision Agreement with the City of Kingston for Creekford Subdivision Phase 1, registered as Instrument # FC25222 on July 25, 2012;

And Whereas the owner, Creekford Development Company Ltd., has completed the construction of the associated public works for Creekford Subdivision Phase 1, Registered Plan 13M-67, based on the subdivision agreement dated July 25, 2012, including the streets and the appurtenances thereto in accordance with the terms of the subdivision agreement and any subsequent amendments thereto;

And Whereas the subdivision agreement provides for acceptance of these works in whole or in part by the Municipality upon satisfactory completion subject to certain provisions for maintenance as laid out in the subdivision agreement;

And Whereas the streets in Creekford Subdivision Phase 1 as shown on Registered Plan 13M-67 are dedicated as public highways and are now vested in the City of Kingston;

And Whereas Section 31, Chapter M45 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001 provides for the assumption of public highways.

Now Therefore the Council of the Corporation of the City of Kingston enacts as follows:

1. That Council authorize the Director of the Engineering Department to issue a “Preliminary Certificate of Approval of the Works” to accept the associated public works which service Creekford Subdivision Phase 1, Registered Plan 13M-67.

2. That Matias Court, Part of Ottawa Street and Part of Woodfield Crescent, as established as a public highway in Creekford Subdivision Phase 1, Registered Plan...
13M-67, be assumed by the Municipality under Section 31(4), of the Municipal Act, Chapter 25, S.O. 2001.

Given all Three Readings and Passed:

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John Bolognone
City Clerk

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Bryan Paterson
Mayor