

Committee of the Whole Agenda

September 25, 2025

Following Council

Council Chambers - Grey County Administration Building

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Declaration of Interest**
- 3. Business Arising from Minutes**
- 4. Delegations**
- 5. Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion**
- 6. Consent Agenda**

That the following Consent Agenda items be received; and

That staff be authorized to take the actions necessary to give effect to the recommendations in the staff reports; and

That the correspondence be supported or received for information as recommended in the consent agenda.

- 6.a Correspondence Regarding Grey County's Concern on Childcare Spaces in Grey County**

That the correspondence received from Stephanie Vallon, Director Federal Secretariat on Early Learning and Child Care; MPP Paul Vickers and the Early Years Support Team regarding the letter sent on the Recalibration of Directed Growth Spaces in Grey County be received for information.

- 6.b Township of Southgate Resolution - Resolution of Support for the City of St. Catharines regarding the Elect Respect Pledge**

That the Township of Southgate resolution passed at the September 3, 2025 meeting of the Council of the Township of Southgate be supported by Grey County Council.

- 6.c The Future of Natural Gas Expansion in Ontario**

That the correspondence received from Enbridge Gas Inc. regarding the future of natural gas expansion in Ontario be received for information.

- 6.d TR-CW-19-25 Award of Motor Grader**

That report TR-CW-19-25 containing the quotation results for the award of a

motor grader be received; and

That the contract be awarded to Toromont Cat – Grey County / Owen Sound for a total amount of \$628,444.00, excluding HST.

7. Items For Direction and Discussion

7.a PDR-CW-57-25 Surplus Lands for Housing - Site Preparation and Derisking Activities

That staff report PDR-CW-57-25 regarding Surplus Lands for Housing – Site Preparation and Derisking Activities, be received; and,

That \$130,000 be included in the proposed 2026 budget and funded from the One Time Funding Reserve to fund select site preparation and derisking activities for two County-owned properties in Markdale and Durham.

7.b CAOR-CW-15-25 Court Security Contribution Agreement and Costing Implications

That CAOR-CW-15-25 regarding a Court Security Contribution Agreement and Costing Implications be received; and

That staff be directed to fund the anticipated 2025 budget shortfall from surplus realized in the overall Corporate Services budget or, if none exists, be financed from the One-Time-Funding Reserve; and

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to sign the Court Security Contribution Agreement; and

That staff be directed to prepare a letter under the Warden's signature to the Ministry of the Solicitor General and the Ministry of the Attorney General advocating for additional Provincial funding to support municipalities adhering to security directives required by the Province.

7.c LTCR-CW-19-25 Capital Funding Program and Ministry Survey

That report LTCR-CW-19-25 Capital Funding Program and Ministry Survey be received; and

That staff be directed to complete the Ministry of Long-Term Care survey by September 29, 2025, indicating Grey County's readiness to potentially develop the approved 62 long term care beds at Grey Gables and that action be taken prior to County Council approval, as per Section 26.6 (b) of the Procedural By-law; and

**That staff be directed to undertake updated cost forecasts and any other applicable studies for the potential development of a 128-bed new home at Grey Gables to be funded from the One Time Funding Reserve; and,
That staff be directed to bring forward a report before March 2026 outlining the updated budget impacts, and a draft Development Agreement for Council's consideration.**

7.d EDTC-CW-11-25 Industrial Development Charges Holiday

That report EDTC-CW-11-25 Industrial Development Charges 'Holiday' be received; and,

That staff be directed to prepare the relevant amending by-law(s) that incorporate a reduction on the industrial portion of non-residential

development charges to zero for 2025 and 2026 and bring it forward for Council's consideration; and

That staff be directed to return any funds collected since January 2025 in payment for industrial development charges which as of July 30, 2025 was estimated to be less than \$25,000; and,

That staff be directed to start the 2026 development charges by-law review process before year-end and to fund any expenditures in 2025 from the Development Charges – General Government Reserve.

7.e EDTC-CW-09-25 Ontario Transit Investment Funding

That report EDTC-CW-09-25 regarding Ontario Transit Investment Funding (OTIF) Grant be received; and

That staff include the anticipated 2026 County levy requirement of \$145,000 in the 2026 draft budget for Council consideration; and

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to sign the Transfer Payment Agreement (TPA); and

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to sign the applicable partnership agreements with partners Bruce County, Dufferin County, and Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit (SMART).

8. Closed Meeting Matters

That the Committee of the Whole does now go into closed session pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, to discuss:

- i. a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board (#1 - Negotiations regarding investment readiness and #2 - negotiations with the Province of Ontario)**

9. Other Business

10. Notice of Motion

11. Adjournment