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John Daly County Clerk, County of Simcoe john.daly@simcoe.ca

Dear John Daly,

Bill 109, the *More Homes for Everyone Act, 2022* was passed by the Legislature and received Royal Assent on April 14, 2022. Schedule 5 of the Bill makes changes to the *Planning Act* to:

- expedite approvals and incent timely decisions for zoning, plan of subdivision and site plan applications, and
- ensure provincial housing policies are implemented and priority projects are expedited by providing the province with new tools to address dispute resolution.

One of the *Planning Act* changes provides a new discretionary authority for me as the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to suspend the time period to make a decision on official plans and amendments.

I am writing to notify you that I am using this authority, pursuant to ss. 17(40.1) of the *Planning Act*, to suspend the 120-day timeline for Official Plan Amendment No.7 which was adopted on August 9, 2022 and received by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on September 1, 2022.

You will be notified when I take further steps under the *Planning Act* in relation to this matter.

Sincerely,

Steve Clark Minister

c. Nathan Westendorp, Director of Planning, County of Simcoe