



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE
Mayor's Office

September 29th, 2025

Confidential and without prejudice

Re: City of Barrie Boundary Adjustment Letter of Commitment

Warden Clarke,

As a party to the ongoing facilitated process led by the Office of the Provincial Land and Development Facilitator you are aware that the City of Barrie has been in negotiations to finalize a restructuring proposal under sections 172 and 173 of the Municipal Act, 2001 with the Townships of Springwater and Oro-Medonte. The negotiations include determination of the exact lands to be annexed into the City and the terms of compensation. Those agreements include provisions that recognize the role of the County as well as the Townships, and the City's commitments to the County in this regard.

The restructuring proposal will not significantly alter the County's relationship with the City however, there will be an impact on certain services, primarily waste collection and County roads within the proposed annexed lands. Through transfer of County roads to the City as a result of the proposed annexation, the County will be relieved of the ongoing responsibilities of owning, operating and maintaining these roads. Additionally, the burden of waste collection will be removed from the County for all properties within the lands proposed to be annexed from both Springwater and Oro-Medonte.

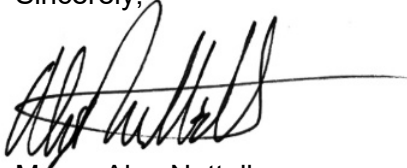
The cross-border servicing that the City will provide in Springwater will ensure that development of the Block 5 lands happens sooner than would otherwise be possible. The City understands that once serviced, the two MZO requests alone will generate a combined \$6.6 million in tax levy for the County (apprx \$2.6 million) and Township (apprx \$4 million).

A key focus of the compensation proposals are measures to ensure that the City, the County and the Townships of Springwater and Oro-Medonte continue to grow their economic strength. There is consensus that by working together to support economic development across the region, all parties will benefit. To make this happen, all four municipalities need to collaborate and the establishment of an Economic Development Strategic Working Group to support economic development opportunities across the region is a tool to accomplish this.

Thank you for your input at the plenary session we recently participated in that was facilitated by the Office of the Provincial Land and Development Facilitator. Following that discussion, this letter serves to commit the City to compensation directly to the County in addition to what will be paid to the Townships. The City commits to partner with the County and invest \$5,000,000 to be used

towards a project that will drive economic development. This financial offer is conditional upon the County and City agreeing on a project that will receive the investment, and most importantly, like the proposals submitted to each of the Townships, is conditional on the issuance of a Restructuring Order by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing effective January 1, 2026. Thank you for your consideration of the proposed terms and I look forward to continuing our collaborative efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alex Nuttall', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Mayor Alex Nuttall

Kind regards,