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Town of Aurora

Member Motion

Councillor Gallo

Re: Request that York Region Resubmit the Application for a Men's Shelter at 14452 Yonge Street

To: Members of Council

From: Councillor John Gallo

Date: February 11, 2025

Whereas the Regional Municipality of York made an application for a Zoning By-Law Amendment to the Town of Aurora for a 55-unit (65 Bed) Men's Emergency and Transitional Housing facility at 14452 Yonge Street in Aurora; and

Whereas the Town's Policy Planning Division of the Planning and Development Services Department confirmed in their comments dated November 25, 2022, that the proposed development 'is a type of Special Needs Housing' and conforms with and implements policies of the Town of Aurora's Official Plan, and is allowed in any designated area that permits residential uses, including cluster residential; and

Whereas there is sufficient water and wastewater allocation for this type of housing; and

Whereas a Community Information Meeting was held in Aurora on January 9, 2024, hosted by the Regional Municipality of York to address resident concerns; and

Whereas a statutory Public Planning Meeting was initially held for the subject application on January 24, 2023; and

Whereas a second Town of Aurora Public Planning Meeting on February 13, 2024, was conducted to address resident concerns and to provide additional opportunity for the applicant to receive public input; and

Whereas at the second Public Planning Meeting held in Aurora on February 13, 2024, the application was refused by Council and not referred to a further Council Meeting; and

Whereas a Motion by Councillor Gilliland on February 27, 2024, was approved to require Town staff to proactively work with York Region staff to identify three potential viable sites for this type of housing in Aurora and report back to Council before the end of 2024; and

Whereas report CAO24-005 tabled at the December 10, 2024 Council Meeting confirmed that no viable alternatives to the proposed location have been identified by Town Staff; and

Whereas Aurora Council refused the application on February 13, 2024, and subsequently staff issued a formal refusal letter where the Regional Municipality of York did not appeal the decision; and

Whereas in order for Aurora Council to reconsider and approve the Zoning by-law Amendment, the Regional Municipality of York would have to resubmit the application;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council requests the Regional Municipality of York to resubmit the Zoning by-law Amendment application for a Men's Emergency and Transitional Facility located at 14452 Yonge Street in Aurora.