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Revised plan offers no improvement, residents say

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Revisions to a multi-storey development in King City prompted Township staff and members of the public to weigh in on the matter.

While the proponents made alterations, opposition to the large-scale building has mounted, with some calling it a "monstrosity."

The proposal, and Official Plan amendments proposed by the developer for a King City apartment project, are still being appealed to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT). The appeals are scheduled to be heard by OLT on May 2.

Council has given direction to staff to continue to oppose the development at the hearing.

The applicants are seeking site plan approval to permit a 5-to-six-storey apartment building, with 159 units on

Keele Street and Elizabeth Grove in King City.

The proposal dates back to 2020 and the applicants provided updates to council through 2021. On Dec. 22, 2021, Township staff received further revisions to the project.

As it stands, the applicants are still asking for an OPA and zooming bylaw amendment, along with site plan approval. They are now proposing a reduction to 159 units from 166, with an additional 6 parking spots.

Direct connections have been provided from the ground floor units to the public sidewalk along Keele. Seating areas, consisting of interlocking surfaces, are identified at the sight triangles along Keele. Balconies on the north side of the building have been removed and there's additional stepping back of the building on the third and fifth levels at the north end and east side. As well, the proponents will widen Elizabeth with a right-turn lane on Keele.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Monday, March 21
6 pm – Council and Committee of the Whole
Virtual meeting live streamed at <http://king.ca/meetings>

Monday, April 4
6 pm – Public Planning Meeting
Virtual meeting live streamed at <http://king.ca/meetings>

Monday, April 11
6 pm – Council and Committee of the Whole
Virtual meeting live streamed at <http://king.ca/meetings>

To view full Council and Committee of the Whole agendas, visit king.civicweb.net

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Thursday, March 10
PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE
6 pm – Heritage Advisory Committee (Virtual Meeting – Not Live-Streamed). If you wish to participate in the meeting virtually, register by emailing cpang@king.ca by 12 pm (noon) on the day of the meeting.

Tuesday, March 15
6 pm – King Township Public Library Board (virtual meeting)

Wednesday, March 23
6 pm – Committee of Adjustment (virtual meeting)

Wednesday, March 30
6 pm – Sustainability Advisory Committee (Virtual Meeting – Not Live-Streamed)
If you wish to participate in the meeting virtually, register by email at solvieri@king.ca by 12pm (noon) on the day of the meeting.

BID NOTICES

For all bid opportunities, please visit <https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Please visit the Township website at www.king.ca for employment opportunities.

- Aquatics Manager – March 18th
- Aquatics Supervisor – March 18th
- Aquatics Lifeguard/Instructor – March 18th
- Project Manager – Parks – March 11th
- Project Manager – Facilities (Contract) – March 11th
- Recreation Coordinator – Special Events – March 11th
- Planning Coordinator/Secretary Treasurer – March 11th
- Supervisor, Data Engineering – March 18th
- Admin Assistant – Office of the CAO (Student) – March 25th

REMINDERS

Half-load Restrictions

The annual half-load period to limit vehicle weights to 5,000 kg per starts on designated Township roads effective March 1, 2022 to May 31, 2022 per our By-law 2010-141. For further information, call 905-833-5321.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

VOLUNTEER NON-PROFIT COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS IN KING ANNUAL 2022 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

(DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR 2022 KING GRANTS)

Non-profit volunteer community organizations which PROVIDE OR DEVELOP RECREATION, CULTURAL AND SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES OR ENHANCES ENVIRONMENTAL OPPORTUNITIES for the residents within the Township of King are advised that applications for Grants from the Township of King for 2022 are now open and must be completed and submitted to the Township by the **FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2022** deadline.

The Community Grants Policy Information and Application are available on the Township website at www.king.ca or King.ca/CommunityGrants.

Alternately, please contact Corporate Services – Clerks Division at clerks@king.ca for further information.

Kathryn Moyle Telephone: (905)833-5321
Director of Corporate Services E-mail: clerks@king.ca
Township Clerk
Township of King
2585 King Road, King City, ON L7B 1A1



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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC PLANNING MEETING CONCERNING A PROPOSED DRAFT PLAN OF SUBDIVISION, OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

Monday, April 4th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

(Electronic Meeting pursuant to Section 238(3.1)(3.3) of the Municipal Act, 2001)

As the Council Chambers is closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this is an electronic meeting held remotely and live streamed via <https://www.king.ca/meetings>

The public are invited to remotely attend the Virtual Public Planning Meeting to receive information and provide comments on the proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision, Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment applications to facilitate the development on the property located at 13440 Highway 27 submitted to the Township of King in accordance with Sections 17, 34, and 51 of the *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13*, as amended.

Subject Property

Location: 13440 Highway 27
Concession 9, Part Lot 9

Owner: Noblestone Developments Inc. c/o Michael Fallico

Agent: Humphries Planning Group

File Numbers: Z-2021-12, 19T-21K02 & OP-2021-04

Staff Report: The staff report will be available at www.king.ca on the Thursday prior to the meeting date.

The proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision, Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment applications were submitted by Humphries Planning Group on behalf of the owner. The applications concern a property located on the west side of Highway 27 and north of MacTaggart Drive in the Village of Nobleton. The subject property measures approximately 0.277 hectares (0.68 acres) with a frontage of approximately 30.55 metres of frontage along Highway 27. The property supports a single-storey residential dwelling with integrated garage and accessory shed located in the rear yard of the property. The applicant is proposing to demolish the existing dwelling and divide the subject property to permit the development of six (6) single detached dwellings, a road widening block, and a future road block for the provision of a daylight triangle. The development proposal is to complete the configuration of the blocks/lots associated with the Nobleton North subdivision lands.

What Are The Proposed Changes

The subject property is designated 'Established Neighbourhood' by The Township's, "Our King" Official Plan. The subject property is zoned Future Development (FD) by Zoning By-law 2016-71, as amended. The purpose of the Official Plan Amendment application is to re-designate the Subject Site from the 'Established Neighbourhood' designation to the "Neighbourhoods" designation on Schedule 'D2' - Village of Nobleton Land Use Designations of the Official Plan. The purpose of the Zoning By-law Amendment application is to rezone the property to a Residential - Single Detached zone. The Draft Plan of Subdivision Application has been submitted to facilitate the division of the subject lands into the eight (8) blocks as identified above.

Any person may attend the virtual public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision, Official Plan Amendment or Zoning By-law Amendment. **Written comments will become part of the public record.**

Lead Planner

The proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision, Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, including supporting information, are available by contacting Colin Pang, Lead Planner, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., with reference to the address or file numbers for more information. Written comments in advance of the staff report being published may be sent to:

Colin Pang, Planner II/Heritage Coordinator
cpang@king.ca, 905-833-5321 ext. 4067

How to Participate in the Public Meeting

- 1) **VIEW THE MEETING** live virtually at <https://www.king.ca/meetings>. No pre-registration is required.
- 2) **SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS** to the Township Clerk at clerks@king.ca by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting. Comments will form part of the public record and will be circulated to Council and the Planning Division.
- 3) **SPEAK TO COUNCIL** remotely (by audio-telephone) by pre-registering with the Clerk's Division at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Monday, April 4th, 2022. Provide your full name, address, telephone number and the item you wish to speak to. Upon receipt of your registration, you will receive a confirmation email with instructions for participating by telephone. All comments addressed to Council will form part of the public record.

How To Stay Informed

If you wish to be notified of the decision of Council of the Township of King regarding the proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision, Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Township of King, 2585 King Road, King City, ON L7B 1A1, or by email at clerks@king.ca.

Appeal Procedure

If a person or public body that would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King to the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT"), does not make oral submissions at a virtual public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of King before the Draft Plan of Subdivision, Official Plan Amendment is adopted or Zoning By-law Amendment is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a virtual public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of King before the proposed Draft Plan of Subdivision, Official Plan Amendment is adopted or Zoning By-law Amendment is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT") unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

Dated at the Township of King this 10th day of March, 2022.



Denny Timm
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Size, suitability of proposal are major drawbacks

From Front Page

A 148-square-metre amenity area has been added to the east property line, including a dog run.

Lighter colour building materials have been incorporated above the second storey. The height of the building has been increased by roughly two metres, but shortened by three metres.

Township staff have been working with the applicant to address the outstanding matters that were brought up during the September 2020 public meeting, and subsequent council meeting.

Among the top concerns were compatibility with adjacent residential areas, visual impact, green features, parking and more.

In King's Official Plan, the subject lands are designated as "Transit Station Area," which allow for medium and higher densities, including apartment buildings.

Staff have also been working with the developer on green space, setbacks, frontages and façade design elements. Progress has been made on many fronts but it's still a high density building, set among detached residential homes.

The project does include 348 square metres of indoor amenities and 492 square metres of outdoor space on levels 2 and 6. Staff do want to see more amenity space at grade level.

The Township is still pushing for green features such as green roofs, electric vehicle charging stations and solar ready rooftops.

Township staff are preparing for the appeal hearing, which is estimated to cost roughly \$125,000. It's uncertain at this time how long the hearing will take.

Opponents were vocal at the recent council meeting, reiterating the fact this project has no place at this locale.

Resident Susan Beharriell said the company seems to have no concept of really listening to the government or the people of the village and the Township in which they want to build.

"Not only are the developers not listening, but they also not acting in the best interests of the community. This proposed monolith does not meet the village design guidelines, does not fit into this heritage Ontario village, does not provide the parkland required and does not address the important drainage issues," she said.

Beharriell wanted to know whether the building would include any green features, bringing it up to par with the vision contained in King's Climate Action Plan.

She pointed out that opposition to this plan is not opposition to all forms of growth. It is not a matter of NIBYISM at all.

"The legislation that the applicant is asking to change has been created by many people after much debate, research and consideration for all our futures," she observed.

She asked councillors and to "carefully consider your direction and have staff fight the good fight to ensure that the requested exemptions are not granted without significant modifications to the present application.

"Let it be an addition to King City of which we can all be proud. In its present form, it brings none of these assets."

Bruce Craig, on behalf of Concerned Citizens of King Township (CCKT) recognizes the importance of building "complete communities" with a variety of forms of housing, job opportunities and community amenities. With this in mind, CCKT supports "reasonable" intensification which respects the King Official Plan and the King City Commu-

nity Plan and integrates well with the existing neighbourhoods and the historic Keele Street streetscape.

The density of the site contrasts with the density of the existing Clearview Heights subdivision – the proposed apartment building is almost 50X the density.

He questioned whether the project reflects the historic character of the core area and whether it fits with King's vision.

He pointed out that effective community design results in the building of compatible and desirable places and contributes to the economic vitality and health of a community. It requires collaboration between the private and public sector on the delivery of excellence and innovation in the planning, design and construction of new developments and the surrounding public realm within the Township.

Craig said many questions and aspects of the proposal are still not clear – landscape plan, suitable amenity spaces, effective buffers/planting strips to the neighbouring residential lots, clear details on making this a sustainable building design.

While CCKT supports a reasonable measure of intensification in the GO Transit Station Area and the Core Area of King City, plus the introduction of a variety of forms of housing, "we believe the current proposal does not reflect the vision and policies of the King Official Plan, nor the King City Community Plan. We believe a better outcome can be achieved.

"We strongly recommend that the proponent enter into respectful collaboration with the Township and the public to create a multi-unit residential building which integrates well with the adjacent neighbourhood, reinforces the historic character of Keele Street, and is designed and constructed with a very high degree of sustainability and energy efficiency."

One woman said a group of citizens has spent a considerable amount of time and resources on this issue, which matters very much to them. They've garnered more than 100 signatures of residents who want this revisited. They want to see "good development," with a mix of retail and more open spaces, to create more of a "main street" feel. The pedestrian experience has to be improved, she said.

Dennis and Bonnie Mooney, owners of 30 Clearview Heights, pointed to the detriment this development will have on the use and enjoyment of our prop-



erty, but its impact on our village, King City.

They will be completely overshadowed by the large building.

"We will lose significant hours of sunlight throughout the year which will impact the productivity our vegetable gardens and landscaping. Even the existing condominium on King Road, west of Keele Street does not impact the neighbouring homes to the east to this extent. Should there not be the same consideration for adjacent housing be given in this case?"

Dennis said there are "so many issues with the current proposed development, that it is hard to know where to start."

The size of the structure is unlike anything existing in King City at the present time. The design doesn't reflect the character of the neighbourhood.

The development would have a better chance of starting to blend into the neighbouring area if the building were to be split into two parts with an open space in between - as was proposed in

some earlier submissions.

There is very little green space and nowhere for children to play freely outdoors.

The latest proposal seeks to have a zero clearance setback from the rear yard property line to built structures, such as the retaining wall and roadway and the underground parking.

This proposal has zero provision for landscaped buffering along most of the east boundary – it even indicates that trees will have to be removed from adjacent properties for construction to proceed.

Mooney said without provision for service businesses in the area, there will be little incentive for residents to get out into the neighbourhood and meet nearby residents.

The units will likely be expensive and rented out by speculators. This, he said, doesn't serve in any way to satisfy the provincially driven goal of satisfying the demand for new housing units.

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Please send a letter or email describing your background and your interest by **March 11, 2022** to the **Chair, Board of Directors, c/o Tracy Austin, Southlake Regional Health Centre, 596 Davis Drive, Newmarket, L3Y 2P9** or via email to taustin@southlake.ca. Candidates will also be required to provide one or more letters of reference.

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"A newspaper is the center of a community, it's one of the tent poles of the community, and that's not going to be replaced by websites and blogs."

- Michael Connelly

Our freedom & democracy taken for granted

We are quite lucky in this country, the True North Strong and Free.

We know it, say it, but many of our citizens don't likely grasp the true meaning.

We take democracy and our rights and freedoms for granted. Didn't we have these all along?

Well, we operated as a free and open country, under the Canadian Bill of Rights, passed in 1960. Our Charter of Rights and Freedoms only came into existence in 1982 and it's an integral part of our Constitution.

We Canadians are guaranteed freedoms of conscience and religion; belief, opinion, expression and a free press; peaceful assembly, and voting rights, to name a few.

These are essential to a responsible, accountable democratic and fair system.

Canadians fought in two world wars and other conflicts to preserve it.

As we've seen in Russia and the Ukraine, many citizens around the world don't enjoy these same fundamental rights.

They can't gather and protest, as Canadians do on a weekly basis. They can't speak their minds.

They can't always vote in an election. Some countries merely appoint leaders, and in others where illiteracy is high, photocopied ballots show photos and names of the candidates and that's about it.

In many countries still today, the press is monitored, censored and rewritten. Can you imagine reading a daily newspaper that has been altered by bureaucrats, changing events to suit their purpose? That's a form of propaganda, a method used by the Nazis during the Second World War.

Citizens in more countries than you can count are misled, lied to and purposely kept away from the truth and happenings going on around the world.

Most of the younger generation (un-



Mark Pavilons

der 30) may have little, or no sense of history. Most Boomers do.

I learned from my parents. My father escaped Latvia at the end of the War, which was simply taken by the Soviet Union, along with their Baltic neighbours Lithuania and Estonia.

My dad's relatives lived under the thumb of Communism for decades, until the Berlin Wall came down in 1989. It was only then that my dad could have an open and frank conversation with his relatives.

Prior to that phone calls and letters were monitored, altered and even disconnected. I remember my dad showing me a letter returned to him - it had thick black pen marks over several sentences and paragraphs. Every mention of the free life in Canada were deleted. That image is etched in my brain - a stark reality of totalitarian regimes.

My dad hated the ruling powers of the Soviet Union until his dying days. He'd be rolling over if he saw what was happening today.

The Baltic states are understandably worried that Russia is knocking at nearby doors. Like the Ukrainians, the people of those countries would do anything to prevent a return to Russian control.

My mom was a teen during the war and in trying to flee to the west - over the wall - she was assaulted by Russian soldiers.

To this day, my heart bears the scars of what my parents endured.

I have always been optimistic, in that all world nations can come together, cooperate and end imperialistic, totalitarian dictatorships, so people can be free.

It would seem that isn't true, as Russia's actions have clearly shown. We may not know the real reasons for Putin's aggression, but most see it as pure greed, imperialism and control over the masses. So much for these being archaic concepts.

And Russian citizens themselves seem to agree.

What Canadians also can't fully grasp is being a "newcomer" to a foreign land. Our country is home to countless European and world cultures - citizens from every corner of the globe.

They love Canada but they never lose their love, dedication and commitment to their homelands. They are first and foremost, Ukrainian, German, Polish, Italian, etc. And those cultures are encouraged to live on and blossom here, making our country the beautiful mosaic it is.

This was evident in the fact some Canadian citizens actually travelled to Europe to support Ukraine, even pick up arms to defend it. That takes unbeliev-

able resolve, guts and courage.

My mom, and likely many British citizens, told stories of hiding out in subway tunnels when bombs dropped from the skies over Europe.

Today, Ukrainian citizens are holed up in similar places, huddled for safety. Can any of us imagine such a thing happening to us today?

I have managed to email an acquaintance I made through eBay, who lives in Ukraine.

These are some of his recent words: "We were given machine guns and some other weapons. I'm fine, although my family has been living in the basement of the house for 7 days ... it's terrible.

"After the victory over Russia, the world will be completely different. We will win!"

Cryptic words to be sure.

Again, can you imagine adult males in this country given assault rifles and asked to defend the land? Can you imagine our politicians donning flak jackets and walking the ruins of once beautiful historic cities, vowing to fight to the bitter end?

It's so sad that lives are being lost, like pawns in a much bigger game of chess. Nothing good can come out of this conflict.

When it's over, all that will remain is sadness, despair and loss. It will go down in history as a time when democracy was tested and people rallied in the face of insurmountable odds.

We're still reeling from the effects of the pandemic. How long will the ramifications of this newest European conflict echo through our collective hearts?

Letter to the Editor

Suggestions on combatting plastics

The following letter, to federal Environment Minister Steven Guilbeault, was submitted to the KWS.

I support a ban on single-use plastics and think that the plastic ban should be improved and strengthened.

A simple corner grocery store owner in the UK was able to persuade his suppliers to stop using plastic packaging in all their goods. If they did not make this change within a month, he would stop selling their goods. Within 3 weeks, his store was plastic-free!

If he could do this, then how can Canada continue to lag so far behind? Here are some key improvements that I suggest you make now:

1. Expand the ban list to include hot and cold drink cups and lids, plastic bottles and caps, cigarette filters, flexible plastic packaging (plastic food wrappers, frozen berry bags etc.), the use of expanded polystyrene in all forms, and the use of PFAS, bisphenols, all oxo-degradable items, phthalates, PVC, and black pigment in the production of any item (at the least).

2. Ban all single-use alternatives. Don't allow one single-use item to be swapped for another. Alternative plastic and bio-based forms of banned items don't help solve our waste crisis or promote truly zero waste systems. Ensure definitions for banned items include all types of plastic. Also incentivize, through these definitions, switches to more sustainable reusable and/or refillable materials and systems.

3. Ensure that the ban applies to exports. We need to cut plastic production and consumption overall and stop contributing to the global waste and pollution crisis.

See 'Incentives' on Page 6



Quote of the Week

"I hate war as only a soldier who has lived it can, only as one who has seen its brutality, its futility, its stupidity."

- Dwight D. Eisenhower

Trivia Tidbits

Ukrainian civilizations date back to 4800 B.C. The country is located in an area where Trypillian and Scythian civilizations thrived.

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Results from last week's poll:
Do you think sanctions by the west go far enough in sending a message to Putin?

a) Yes **90%**
b) No **10%**

The results of this poll are in no way considered to be valid or infallible.

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION

Do you support Canada taking in Ukrainian refugees?

a) Yes
b) No

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC PLANNING MEETING CONCERNING A PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

Monday, April 4th, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

(Electronic Meeting pursuant to Section 238(3.1)(3.3) of the Municipal Act, 2001)

As the Council Chambers is closed to the public due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this is an electronic meeting held remotely and live streamed via <https://www.king.ca/meetings>

The public are invited to remotely attend the Virtual Public Planning Meeting to receive information and provide comments on the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment applications, concerning a property located at 12764, 12780, 12800 Keele Street, King City, in the Township of King in accordance with Section 34 and Section 17 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.13, as amended.

Subject Property

Location: 12764, 12780, 12800 Keele Street, King City, ON
Owner: Keele West Developments LP
Agent: Humphries Planning Group
File Numbers: OP-2021-05 and Z-2021-15
Staff Report: The staff report will be available at www.king.ca on the Thursday prior to the meeting date.

The proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment submitted by Humphries Planning Group Inc. on behalf of the owner, Keele West Developments LP., under Planning Files OP-2021-05 and Z-2021-15 concern four (4) parcels on the west side of Keele Street, approximately 157 metres north of Station Road in the Village of King City. The subject lands in total measure 1.10 hectares (2.71 acres) and back onto the Metrolinx rail corridor and currently contain an industrial building and three dwellings.

What Is The Proposed Amendment?

The applications propose to amend the King City Community Plan (OPA540) to address policies relating to density and height and amend the Schomberg and King City Urban Areas By-law 2017-66 to facilitate the development of a 6-storey apartment building with a floor space index of 2.1 and a total of 247 residential units.

Any person may attend the virtual public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment. **Written comments will become part of the public record.**

Lead Planner

The Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, including supporting information, are available by contacting Paul Kulyk, Planner II, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., with reference to the address or file numbers for more information. Written comments in advance of the staff report being published may be sent to:

Paul Kulyk, Planner II
Email: pkulyk@king.ca, 905-833-5321

How to Participate in the Public Meeting

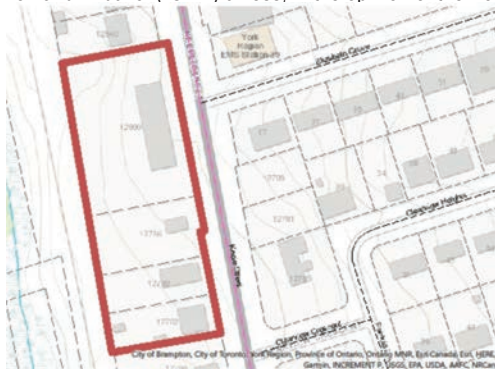
- 1) **VIEW THE MEETING** live virtually at <https://www.king.ca/meetings>. No pre-registration is required.
- 2) **SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS** to the Township Clerk at clerks@king.ca by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting. Comments will form part of the public record and will be circulated to Council and the Planning Division.
- 3) **SPEAK TO COUNCIL** remotely (by audio-telephone) by pre-registering with the Clerk's Division at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Monday, April 4th, 2022. Provide your full name, address, telephone number and the item you wish to speak to. Upon receipt of your registration, you will receive a confirmation email with instructions for participating by telephone. All comments addressed to Council will form part of the public record.

How To Stay Informed

If you wish to be notified of the decision of Council of the Township of King regarding the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Township of King, 2585 King Road, King City, ON L7B 1A1, or by email at clerks@king.ca.

Appeal Procedure

If a person or public body that would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King to the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT"), does not make oral submissions at a virtual public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of King before the Zoning By-law Amendment is passed, or Official Plan Amendment is adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision. If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a virtual public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of King before the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is passed, or Official Plan Amendment is adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT") unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.



Dated at the Township of King this 10th day of March, 2022.

Denny Timm
Deputy Clerk
Manager of Legislative Services
Township of King
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NOTICE OF PASSING OF AN OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT BY THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KING

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of King passed By-law Number 2022-017 (Official Plan Amendment No. 99) on the 28th day of February, 2022 under Sections 17, and By-law Number 2022-016 (Zoning By-law Amendment) under Section 34, of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT") in respect of the By-laws by filing with the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of King not later than the **30th day of March, 2022** a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the By-laws and the reasons in support of the objection, together with a filing fee per application being appealed, in the amount as specified on the OLT website (www.olt.gov.on.ca), along with a cheque for \$236.00 per application being appealed, payable to the Township of King representing the Clerks Division 2022 Administrative Processing Fee. The Tribunal will only accept filing fee payments by certified cheque or money order payable to the Minister of Finance. Should the last day of appeal fall on a holiday or weekend, you will have until 4:30 p.m. of the next business day to file your appeal. If you wish to appeal to the OLT, a copy of the appeal form is available from the OLT website at www.olt.gov.on.ca.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal an Official Plan Amendment or Zoning By-law Amendment to the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT"). A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

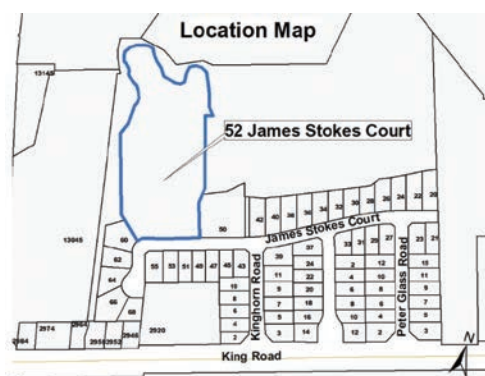
No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the Official Plan Amendment was adopted or Zoning By-law Amendment was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the Council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT") there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

The Official Plan Amendment Application (Official Plan Amendment No. 99) amends the King City Community Plan (OPA 540) to reduce the minimum 30 metre vegetation protection zone to a minimum of 7 metres in one location, with wider buffers provided in the balance of the development area. The Official Plan Amendment also seeks to permit an increase in the permitted residential density policies from the permitted 5 to 6 units per hectare to 6.3 units per hectare.

The lands to which the Official Plan Amendment apply to are also subject to a Zoning By-law Amendment. The Site-Specific Zoning By-law 2022-016 rezones the property from Future Use Exception 1 (F-1) to Residential - Single Detached Exception 24 (R1-24) and to Environmental Protection (EP), including a Holding Symbol (H) with respect to servicing allocation. The purpose of the rezoning is to enable future Consent Applications for the creation of four new residential lots, each to contain a single-family detached dwelling with access from James Stokes Court.

Comments were received and considered during the Public Meeting of May 3rd 2021 for the Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment Applications. These comments have been taken into consideration during the review of the application and have been responded to both generally and specifically throughout the Planning Division's Recommendation Report (GMS-PL-2022-06) dated February 28th, 2022. To view the report, please refer to Agenda Item #8.1 of the February 28th, 2022 meeting of Committee of the Whole available on our website (www.king.ca). Based on these comments, Council is satisfied that all matters have been appropriately addressed and as such, Council adopted the Amendments.

Any person or public body will be entitled to receive notice of the decision of the approval authority if a written request to be notified of the decision (including the person's or public body's address) is made to the approval authority. The approval authority for the Official Plan Amendment is the Regional Municipality of York, Attn: Karen Whitney, Director of Community Planning, 17250 Yonge Street, Box 147, Newmarket, ON L3Y 6Z1.



DATED at the Township of King this 10th day of March, 2022.

Denny Timm
Deputy Clerk
Manager of Legislative Services
2585 King Road
KING CITY, Ontario
L7B 1A1

Files: Official Plan Amendment OP-2021-01,
Zoning By-law Amendment Z-2021-01

Comments and personal information (PI) are being collected in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.P.13 as amended, and become part of the decision making process of the application as noted on this form, also become part of the public record. Should you have any questions or concerns with regard to the collection of personal information (PI), please contact the Planning Division, Township of King at (905) 833-5321.

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- Citizen of the Year
- Special Recognition
- Special Recognition: Non-resident of King
- Lifetime Achievement
- Senior Citizen Award of Merit
- Youth Award of Merit

Nominations for volunteer awards must be submitted on the Volunteer Recognition Award Nomination Form and will be received by the undersigned by mail, or email at clerks@king.ca until 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 16th, 2022. The nomination form and further information regarding the criteria for each category is available on the Township website at www.king.ca or by emailing clerks@king.ca.

Awards will be presented at the Council Meeting on Monday, April 25th, 2022.

Kathryn Moyle
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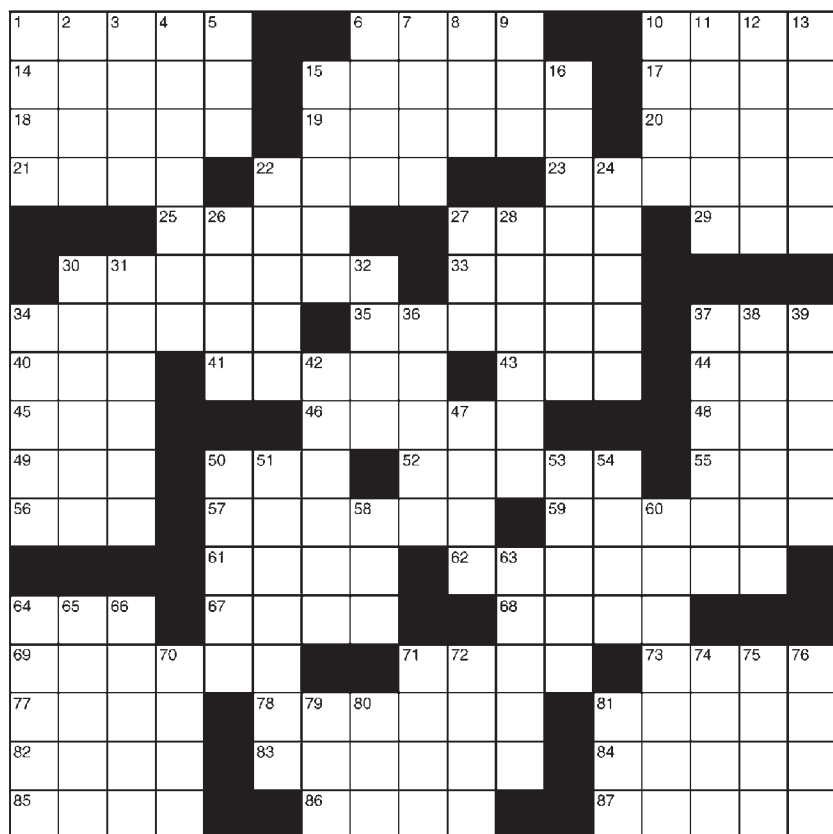
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 - 6. Thank an actor
 - 10. Large amount
 - 14. Drench
 - 15. Slacks
 - 17. Opera box
 - 18. Make into a statute
 - 19. Bucolic
 - 20. Fail to mention
 - 21. Lemony
 - 22. Kind of roast
 - 23. Riffraff
 - 25. Blue bloom
 - 27. Scamp
 - 29. Key word?
 - 30. Brazier
 - 33. Default result
 - 34. Break a promise
 - 35. Numb
 - 37. Mule's father
 - 40. Physics unit
 - 41. Energy
 - 43. Previous to, in verse
 - 44. Favorite
 - 45. Sheltered shore
 - 46. Take the honey and run
 - 48. Raw metal
 - 49. "___ a Living"
 - 50. Literary monogram
 - 52. Card game
 - 55. Go right!
 - 56. Barracks item
 - 57. Seaman's jacket
 - 59. Consume
 - 61. Monster of folklore
 - 62. Soccer official
 - 64. Earlier
 - 67. Elect
 - 68. Distribute
 - 69. Hardship
 - 71. Drink heartily
 - 73. Exec.
 - 77. Invited
 - 78. Slanted font
 - 81. Jeweled headpiece
 - 82. Kitchen hot box
 - 83. Wear away
 - 84. Congealed dish
 - 85. Bakery offering
 - 86. Climax
 - 87. Destitute
 - DOWN**
 - 1. "Caesar and Cleopatra" time
 - 2. Words to a toddler
 - 3. Hawaiian party
 - 4. Attribute
 - 5. Nonetheless
 - 6. Pal
 - 7. Speak imperfectly
 - 8. Carpenter insect
 - 9. Taro dish
 - 10. Untidy type
 - 11. Small jazz band
 - 12. Quick
 - 13. Turn aside
 - 15. Pulverize
 - 16. Ice remover
 - 22. Potato tool
 - 24. Do penance
 - 26. Indian melody
 - 27. Woman's purchase
 - 28. Cash in, as coupons
 - 30. Regarding this matter
 - 31. Swallow
 - 32. Fan's hero
 - 34. Memento
 - 36. Unevenly edged
 - 37. Highest point
 - 38. Tranquil
 - 39. Hero's horse
 - 42. Sahara
 - 47. Young salmon
 - 50. Orchard
 - 51. Tropical plant
 - 53. Confuse
 - 54. Skating jump
 - 58. Retainer
 - 60. Proposition
 - 63. Elicit
 - 64. Monastery head
 - 65. Jelly fruit
 - 66. Judge's issuance
 - 70. Slight hollow
 - 71. Buck
 - 72. Pelt
 - 74. Scruff
 - 75. Mesh
 - 76. Naughty
 - 79. "TV Guide" abbr.
 - 80. Part of a circle
 - 81. Bronzed

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Commuter travel, the 413 vs. 407

By Sherry Draisey

Comment

We would all appreciate less traffic congestion. It makes our commute longer, costing us time and money. Even for those of us who don't drive, we know it is generating CO2, which is not healthy for us or the climate.

How can we reduce congestion? Get more trucks onto the 407. The majority owner of the 407 highway is the Canada Pension Plan (CPP).

If the 413 goes ahead, it's going to mean years of traffic disruption for King, as it terminates near the existing service centre on the 400. And the traffic flow between the 400/413 interchange may result in longer commutes as traffic backs up.

Congestion results from a variety of factors, and certainly large scale road construction brings equipment and materials over our roads for years.

We have a wonderful E-W highway across the GTA, already on our doorstep, the 407. We would all love to get that thing back.

Within King Township Official Plan there is a reference to 400 highway interchange at the 15th Sideroad. If that happened, it would be hard to imagine traffic flow between the 400/413 interchange and the 15th, without the addition of Highway 400 collector lanes.

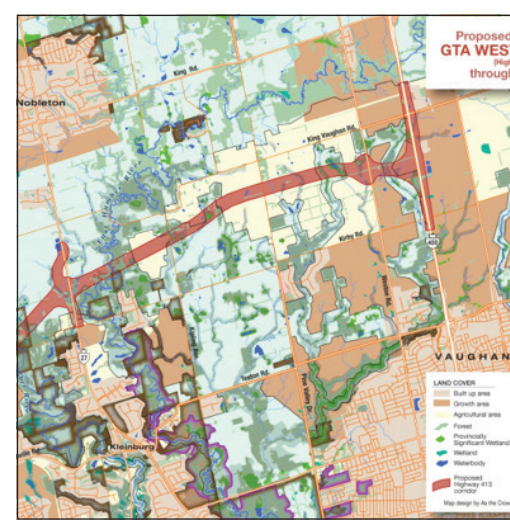
Collector lanes = more lost farmland. The initiation of reclamation of Highway 407, instead of building the 413, brings a number of advantages, and we wouldn't have to wait 10-15 years for the relief:

- CO2 emission reduction (otherwise ++CO2 taxes).
- Avoidance of 10+ years of construction delay.
- Avoidance of environmental destruction
- Avoidance of 10+ years of supply chain disruptions.
- Protection of local farmland.
- Less frustrated truck drivers.
- Increased ETR 407 profit.

One means of starting to reclaim the 407 would be to allow unloaded trucks to travel at greatly reduced tolls.

Heavily loaded trucks degrade highways. The heavier the load, the more the damage. No doubt that maintenance cost drives the ETR407 reluctance to encourage truck traffic along it.

Unloaded trucks generate less road damage. If tolling fees were based on truck axle load, the business case for unloaded trucks going home on the 407 would be enhanced. And if one takes into account increasing CO2 taxes, it



will eventually become worthwhile for trucking companies.

The ability to detect truck load "on the fly" is a technology development already in progress. Globvision, a Canadian artificial intelligence company, is developing it for the newly rebuilt Champlain Bridge in Montreal. The Champlain Bridge is not a tolled highway. They're just interested in detecting overloaded trucks.

Implementation on the 407 could be done by a specialized load sensor installed at each on ramp, at pavement level. As a truck passes over, its weight is monitored and sent to software that sets toll rate.

Posted charges imply they currently charge on the basis of vehicle length on the road.

Consider the example of a 3 axle dump truck.

Single heavy loaded: 80,000 lb. Single heavy unloaded: 35,000 lb. Difference 45,000 lb. or 20,000 kg.

In terms of axle load:
3 axle loaded truck: 80,000 lb; 26667 lb/axle = 12,121 kg/axle. 3 axles unloaded truck: 50,230; 16743 lb/axle = 7,610 kg/axle.

If we consider the results of technical study, "Vehicle wheel loads and road pavement wear" (Vehicle-wheel-loads-and-road-pavement-wear-Addis-.pdf (hvtforum.org)), that means the unloaded truck causes much less than 50% road crack damage (the infamous 4th power law would suggest as low as 85% less), compared with the loaded truck.

The on the fly detection of truck load has far reaching applications. It would be useful for reducing the idling time for trucks checking in at our 400 series highway weigh stations. It is a product that has international sales potential.

Incentives, bans needed for plastics

From Page 4


4. Implement the ban in 2022. The federal ban needs to catch up with bans happening across the country and come into force immediately following their finalization.

5. Incentivize and normalize reusable packaging and systems. The present regulations do not go far enough to send a signal that reusable packaging, reuse-refill systems and truly zero waste solutions are the goal. The zero-waste hierarchy should not only be referenced but followed by prioritizing redesign, reduction, and reuse over anything else. If companies are not required to change to reuse solutions and cut their reliance on plastic and fossil fuels, Canada's goals related to the climate, zero plastic waste and nature restoration by 2030 will never be met.

I would appreciate the courtesy of a prompt response. Thank you for your consideration.

Susan Beharriell






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7-Day Weather Outlook

From Thursday, March 10 to Wednesday, March 16

THURS 10TH	FRI 11TH	SAT 12TH	SUN 13TH	MON 14TH	TUES 15TH	WED 16TH
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Lake Simcoe watershed councillors call for federal funding

Municipal councillors across the Lake Simcoe watershed gathered Saturday to announce their support for a motion calling on Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland to fulfill commitments to fund a significant investment to protect Lake Simcoe in the upcoming federal budget.

“We are all part of Lake Simcoe’s watershed so it only makes sense for all of us to work together for its protection. However, we can’t do it alone and we are looking to the federal government to make good on its election commitments for Lake Simcoe funding,” said Georgina Mayor Margaret Quirk.

Councillor Jonathan Scott (Bradford, Ward 2) and Councillor Dave Neeson (Georgina, Ward 3) first proposed the motions, and they have now passed unanimously in Bradford West Gwillimbury and Georgina.

“This is an unprecedented, united front of municipal leaders calling for the federal government to fulfill and in fact exceed promises made in the last two elections to protect our watershed,” said Councillor Scott. “It’s exciting to see councillors of all political stripes across the lake coming together once again, like we did in the fall to push for the phosphorus recycling plant. We’re unified in saying that our lake and rivers need significant federal funding to restore shoreline habitats, clean up contaminated sites and reduce discharges from wastewater, all so we can protect the future vitality of the Lake Simcoe region.”

“It really is inspiring to see this many councillors from all across the region – from Newmarket to Orillia, Brock to Bradford – standing up for our Lake,” said Councillor Neeson. “This is about the future of our children, and so we have access to clean drinking water, recreation and tourism, and to ensure the watershed as a whole remains vibrant, helping in the fight against climate change and honouring our commitments to reconciliation with Indigenous peoples like the Chippewas of Georgina Island who call the lake home since time immemorial.”

“We know we have to deliver sustainable development so that the growth in our region does not negatively impact our lake, and to do that we need the federal government’s financial resources for a significant investment into our watershed,” added Councillor Scott

Crone (East Gwillimbury, Ward 3).

“The Lake Simcoe watershed provides nourishment and life to the ecosystem of Newmarket and our neighbouring communities. It is our moral duty to protect and preserve it,” said Councillor Christina Bisanz (Newmarket, Ward 7).

For his part, Councillor Shawn Scott (Oro-Medonte, Ward 4) said, “Our municipality is committed to being responsible, proactive stewards of the lake and we are hopeful that this resolution results in significant federal funding aimed at improving and sustaining the health of Lake Simcoe.”

Councillor Crone has introduced the motion in East Gwillimbury, Councillor Scott in Oro-Medonte and Councillor Bisanz in Newmarket, as have Councillor Rob Nichols in Innisfil, Councillor Jay Fallis in Orillia, and Councillor Mike Jubb in Brock and Councillor Sergio Morales in Barrie will bring forward the motion at their councils.

The motion:

“Supports federal funding for a Lake Simcoe Restoration Fund that represents a significant percentage of the overall Freshwater Action Plan Fund, with funding in excess of previous commitments, beginning in the 2022 budget.

“Asks that such funding be used to undertake:

- Shoreline mitigation and restoration, including in the tributaries of the Holland River, Maskinonge River, Pefferlaw River and Black River, and the Holland Marsh.

- Projects to ameliorate contaminated sites in the watershed.

- Upgrades to help retrofit municipal infrastructure such as wastewater and stormwater facilities to decrease total current discharges from existing facilities.

- Planting of 250,000 trees in the watershed, and purchasing and conservation of more forests and wetlands under the auspices of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (LSRCA), to make significant progress towards the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan goal of 40% of the watershed area being protected natural land.

“That a copy of this resolution, along with a letter from the Mayor, be sent to the federal Minister of Finance; the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change; the President of the Treas-



Councillor Jonathan Scott, Councillor Dave Neeson, Mayor Margaret Quirk, Councillor Scott Crone, Councillor Shawn Scott in Jackson’s Point show their unity for councils calling for federal support for the Lake Simcoe Watershed.

sury Board; the Members of Parliament for York-Simcoe, Newmarket-Aurora, Barrie-Springwater-Oro-Medonte, Barrie-Innisfil, Simcoe North, Hal-

burton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, and Durham; and to all Lake Simcoe-region municipalities and the LSRCA, with a request for their endorsement.

Forests Ontario selects York Region as recipient of Susan Wiecek Forestry Education Award

York Region is the proud recipient of the 2022 Susan Wiecek Forestry Education Award from Forests Ontario. The award demonstrates York Region’s continued leadership in environmental stewardship and education.

Since 2001, York Region’s Greening Strategy has delivered actions that have protected and restored our natural environment including forest-related educational programming, outreach events and public engagement.

In the past six years, over 250,000 residents have been engaged through 1,100 events and 1,330 Discover Your Forest Kits. York Region has also partnered with Forests Ontario to help deliver several environmental stewardship and education programs, including the school based Envirothon and Tree Bee competitions, and a Virtual Hike in 2021 for National Forest Week.

The Susan Wiecek Forestry Education Award is presented annually by Forests Ontario to individuals or organizations for outstanding contributions to forest education in Ontario.

This is Okie, a support horse brought to our Hospice with help from our friends at Next Go Round Equine Services. Okie enjoyed his time visiting with our Residents and families.

At our Hospices we help to create special “Hospice Moments” that give our residents and their families memories that will last forever.

Recently our staff learned that one of our Residents at Margaret Bahen Hospice had a great love for horses. Our care team quickly sprang into action to create a special Hospice Moment, which ended up being a beautiful experience for our Resident, their family, and our staff.

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Ontario is cutting the cost of taking transit

The Ontario government is making it more convenient and affordable for people to use transit across the Greater Golden Horseshoe. The province is eliminating the fare for most local transit when using GO Transit service and increasing PRESTO discounts for youth and post-secondary students.

"Affordability and cost of living concerns are very much on the minds of families throughout Ontario, and that

is why our government is taking action to make riding transit cheaper," said Stan Cho, Associate Minister of Transportation. "As we cut costs for drivers, including by eliminating licence sticker renewal fees and removing tolls on Highways 412 and 418, we're also slashing fares to keep more money in the pockets of families and young people when they need it most and making it easier to get from point A to B."

Beginning March 14, local transit will be free for riders connecting to and from GO Transit on municipal transit systems with GO Transit co-fare agreements. This means that a Mississauga adult who commutes back and forth using MiWay and GO Transit three days a week could save \$250 annually on transit expenses.

In addition, starting March 14, PRESTO discounts for youth and post-secondary students are increasing to 40 per cent off the full adult fare, almost double the current discounts. This applies to GO Transit and UP Express customers who are 13 to 19 years old or anyone enrolled in full-time post-secondary education. Kids under 12 will continue to ride free on GO Transit.

"With students learning in-person, our government is making transit more affordable and accessible for them," said Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education. "These fare discounts will save working families money, along with expanded access to free tutoring programs to help students get back on track."

GO Transit is also introducing an Affordability Pilot for low-income riders, starting with residents of Peel Region who are enrolled in Peel's Affordable Transit Program. Starting March 14, riders with an Affordable Transit Program fare type will be reimbursed for 50 per cent of the PRESTO adult fare when travelling on GO Transit using a PRESTO card. The pilot will be rolled out to other transit systems in a phased approach.

The GO Transit co-fare discounts apply to the following agencies: Durham Region Transit, Milton Transit, Grand River Transit, Guelph Transit, Oakville

Transit, MiWay, Brampton Transit, Hamilton Street Railway, Burlington Transit, Bradford West Gwillimbury Transit, York Region Transit, and Barrie Transit.

As part of the up to \$2.15 billion provided by the provincial and federal governments to help municipal transit systems address the financial impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, municipalities were asked to work with the province on ways to ensure transit is safe, sustainable and affordable.

Transit riders can use the Triplinx app or website to make it easier to plan travel using multiple transit providers.

"It's so important that all orders of government work together to make transit more affordable for residents, and today's announcement is a significant step forward. The co-fare agreement, in particular, will also be critical in our economic recovery, encouraging more people to seek employment in neighbouring regions through the elimination of the double fare. I want to thank the Government of Ontario and Metrolinx for their commitment to delivering reliable and affordable public transit for residents," said Mississauga Mayor Bonnie Crombie.

"These initiatives show fantastic progress on our efforts to build a seamless transit experience and connect people to and from GO Transit across the Greater Golden Horseshoe, all while making transit more affordable. This is made possible through effective collaboration with partners across the network, enabling us to work together to best meet the needs of customers," added Phil Verster, president and CEO of Metrolinx.

Application has far-reaching impacts; Township is listening

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There is an aspect of this proposal that represents a "frightening prospect for the residents in the adjacent subdivision," Mooney said.

There is reference to roof top cooling towers that will necessitate the very tall mechanical penthouse screens for sound abatement. Roof-top cooling towers are known to be potential harbours for legionella bacteria and should never be installed beside a residential area, especially when the residential area is downwind from the source.

Another Clearview Heights resident said he's disappointed the matter is being appealed to the Tribunal. He said it's "fueled by ill intentions," adding he can't even see how construction at this site could be done in a safe manner.

Tom Halinski, municipal and land use planning lawyer for the Township, is optimistic that the OLT likely won't deny many of the Township's requests in this matter.

Gaspere Ritacca, manager of planning and development, said the Official Plan dictates what the municipality's vision is for the property, but admitted it is identified for more density.

Councillor Debbie Schafer agreed there haven't been any meaningful improvements through the various iterations. There's zero commitment to sustainable features, she said.

Councillor David Boyd noted this application far-reaching impacts across King. "This is a big one; it's important," he observed.

Councillor Jordan Cescolini said with each revision, this project is moving further away from what the Township wants. He told residents that council is listening and it will use every tool it has in this case.

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MPP supports local business

Stephen Lecce MPP for King-Vaughan dropped by Diner King located in Nobleton recently. "Now more than ever, I am buying local and supporting local restaurant and small businesses," said Lecce. "While picking up take-out, I took the opportunity to thank the staff for working throughout this pandemic and keeping King families well fed!"

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Environmental impacts need to be considered as part of highway reviews

New research maps released by Gravel Watch Ontario, Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition and Environmental Defence suggest that the massive amounts of aggregates needed to build Highway 413 and the Bradford Bypass will be sourced from pits and quarries in the 905 and the Greenbelt. Mining these aggregates will have serious impacts on nearby communities and must be addressed in environmental reviews of the proposed highways.

According to the research, building the two highways will require approximately 3 million tonnes of new aggregate, and will increase truck traffic within affected communities by over 130,000 truckloads during construction. The research and analysis shows that several communities within the 905 region are more at risk of becoming the future source of the highways' aggregate because of their proximity to the proposed routes of the highways, the amount of potential aggregate available, and concentration of existing per-

mits within particular areas.

Bryan Smith, Gravel Watch Ontario, has been long involved with local aggregate issues and knows what kind of burden this will place on the rural communities that could be affected.

"These highway proposals are being touted as a net benefit, but the communities where the pits and quarries would make a Swiss cheese of the landscape will not feel the same. From increased truck traffic, wear and tear on local roads, reduced air quality, to issues with groundwater, aggregate comes at a high cost to the host municipality and its residents. There is no net benefit. Consequently, many municipalities are asking the province to make aggregate pay their fair share."

The rock, sand and gravel extraction and its impact on communities up to 50 kilometers from the proposed routes is just another example of how the province is pushing forward these highway proposals without a full examination of their costs and impacts.

Tim Gray, Environmental Defence, is concerned that environmental assessments of the highways won't be considering the impacts from required aggregate.

"The shocking scale of the aggregate needed to build these highways means impacts will be felt by communities across a number of regions. The federal and provincial governments have an obligation to assess and address these widespread impacts as part of a robust and thorough environmental assessment of the highway projects."

The mapping research also showed that nearly 40 per cent of the aggregate sites likely to supply material for these projects are located within the Greenbelt. Expansion of those pits puts at risk the crucial ecosystem services the Greenbelt provides, such as clean water, fresh air, healthy food, and habitat for wildlife. These impacts of aggregate extraction on the Greenbelt are compounded by the fact that they are being used, in this case, for projects that run

through the Greenbelt, and which will likely lead to increased development pressure on it.

Margaret Prophet, executive director of the Simcoe County Greenbelt Coalition, believes that the highway proposals are yet another example of how this government has targeted the Greenbelt on behalf of developers.

"We heard promises that 'we're not going to touch the Greenbelt,' and yet this government wants to run two large highways right through it. The demand for aggregate, and the fact that much of it is likely to come from within the Greenbelt, only makes matters worse. The narrow focus on localized impacts creates a situation in which the Greenbelt is left vulnerable to a death by a thousand cuts. The impact of aggregate mining for these highways is a perfect example of this."

Research shows there is little that municipalities can do to protect citizens in the face of pressure from the aggregate industry.

Ontario increasing seniors community grant funding

The Ontario government is doubling its Seniors Community Grant Program funding since 2018 by investing a record \$6 million in 2022-23 for seniors-based projects that help Ontario's seniors stay safe, healthy, active and connected to families and friends in their communities.

Applications are open now until April 28, at ontario.ca/getfunding for community organizations, municipalities and Indigenous organizations to apply for funding for various programs and services across the province that empower seniors to continue being active participants in their community.

"This year we are investing more than ever before into the hugely successful Seniors Community Grant Program so that dozens of more initiatives can be supported," said Raymond Cho, Minister for Seniors and Accessibility. "I encourage community groups here in Mississauga and all across Ontario to apply for a Seniors Community Grant to help safely bring seniors together to learn new skills, socialize and keep fit."

Funding ranges from \$1,000 up to \$25,000 for local projects and each year Seniors Community Grants support hundreds of diverse, accessible and innovative activities that provide something for everyone – from Tai Chi lessons, lawn bowling and other physical activities, to arts and music appreciation, to virtual speakers' series, day trips, and so much more.

"I want to first congratulate the Kang Nai Xin Senior Association, the Sawitri Theatre Group, and the Church of St. Mary & St. Athanasius recipient, all of whom received funding from our government's Seniors Community Grant Funding," said Natalia Kusendova, MPP for Mississauga Centre. "We all recognize that seniors across Ontario have contributed so much over the course of their lives to make our province the place we know and love today. As the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Francophone Affairs, I look forward to continuing to work with Francophone community stakeholders to ensure that French-speaking seniors remain supported in communities across Ontario."

Throughout their lives, seniors have helped build and contribute to Ontario's quality of life. Seniors Community Grants provide them with new ways to engage with their local communities to promote physical, mental and social well-being.

The Seniors Community Grant Program provides funding ranging from \$1,000 up to \$25,000 for local projects.

Ontario's seniors are the province's fastest growing demographic, and by 2023, there will be 3 million Ontarians over the age of 65.



Officials enjoy Taste of Main

Mayor Steve Pellegrini, Councillor Bill Cober and King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce enjoyed a coffee together to celebrate the Taste of Main dining experience in Schomberg.



Form 2 Expropriations Act

Notice of Application for Approval to Expropriate Land

IN THE MATTER OF an application by the Ministry of Transportation for approval to expropriate land, pursuant to s.11(2) and subsection 11.1(3) of the *Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act*, being in the Geographic Township of King, Regional Municipality of York, Province of Ontario

For the purpose(s) of: Property is required for the widening of two sections of Highway 400 from six to ten lanes, and all works related thereto, to accommodate a buffer separated high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane and 4 general-purpose lanes in each direction. This widening of Highway 400 will take place from north of King Road to south of 16th Sideroad and from north of 16th Sideroad to south of Lloydtown-Aurora Road in the Township of King within the Regional Municipality of York.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate the land described in the schedule attached hereto.

The approving authority is the Minister of Transportation with an address of:
Minister of Transportation
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor
Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8
tel: 416-327-9200

Any owner of lands in respect of which notice is given, who desires to comment on the proposed expropriation of the land for the described purpose(s) may do so by submitting the comment within the time stated herein to the Assistant Deputy Minister, Transportation Infrastructure Management Division, Ministry of Transportation, in writing.

The Ministry will review the comments for their technical/engineering information, having regard to the need for the land for the purposes of the project.

The Assistant Deputy Minister must receive the comments within thirty days after the owner is served with this notice, or within thirty days after the first publication of the notice.

The comments must be sent:

By e-mail to:

Property.Process@ontario.ca

Or by mail to:

Assistant Deputy Minister
Transportation and Infrastructure Management
Ministry of Transportation
4th Floor, Garden City Tower
301 St. Paul Street
St. Catharines, ON L2R 7R4

Please include the municipal address of the land in the comment.

The expropriating authority is the Minister of Transportation with an address of:
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Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8
tel: 416-327-9200

Minister of Transportation
Per: *[Signature]*
c/o Yvonne Grossi
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SCHEDULE A

All right, title and interest in the following lands in the Township of King, Regional Municipality of York, Province of Ontario, being:

- Part of PIN 03383-0112 (LT), being Part of Lot 24, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Parts 1 and 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0205, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-39579, subject to an easement over Part 2 as in Instrument K126821, and Part 5 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0149, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35206.
- Part of PIN 03383-0079 (LT), being Part of Lot 21, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Parts 1 and 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0206, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-39686 and Part 11 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0150, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35282.
- Part of PIN 03365-0157 (LT), being Part of Lot 10, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0210, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-39681 and Parts 4 and 5 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0151, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35262.
- Part of PIN 03365-0168 (LT), being Part of Lots 11, 12 and 13, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Parts 1 and 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0209, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-39685 and Part 3 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0154, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35294, save and except Part 3 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-209, being a reference plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-39685 and Parts 5 and 6 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0153, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35292.
- Part of PIN 03383-0080 (LT), being Part of Lot 21, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0208, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-39683 and Part 12 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0150, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35282.
- Part of PIN 03383-0102 (R), being Part of Lot 22, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0207, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of York as Plan 65R-39695 and Part 14 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0150, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Registry Division of York as Plan 65R-35282.
- Part of PIN 03365-0020 (LT), being Part of Lot 13, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0154, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-35294 and Part 1 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0211, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-39689.

A limited interest from October 21, 2022 up to and including November 30, 2024 in the nature of a free right and easement for the Minister of Transportation, successors and assigns, and any representative of the Minister of Transportation to enter with all necessary vehicles, machinery and equipment over and upon the lands described as follows:

In the Township of King, Regional Municipality of York, Province of Ontario, being:

- Part of PIN 03383-0080 (LT), being Part of Lot 21, Concession 5, in the Geographic Township of King, designated as Part 2 on a plan filed with the Ministry of Transportation as P-2752-0208, being a Reference Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of York as Plan 65R-39683.

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Arts & Entertainment

Youngster creates buttons to help support Ukraine

Understanding what is happening in Ukraine is difficult enough for adults but what if you are 10 and trying to make sense of the world?

Watching news clips of Ukrainian mothers and children fleeing their homes had Jake Tubaro worried.

Jake asked his mother if they would have to leave their home too and where would they go? He talked to his classmates about his concerns. After many questions and discussions, Jake agreed that rather than worry and do nothing, he could work to make a difference for the Ukrainian people.

Jake's mother, Suzanne Cummings, who grew up in Schomberg, ordered some blank buttons and then Jake got to work painting hearts over the colours of Ukraine: blue and yellow. He is distributing the buttons and accepting donations to support the families in Ukraine. The money collected is being sent to the Canadian Red Cross where the Government of Canada is matching

donations.

Word about Jake's fundraiser is spreading. His vice-principal at Canadian Martyrs Catholic School in Newmarket bought buttons and the principal put the fundraiser on the school Twitter feed. Orders have been received from California, Florida, Oregon as well as Halifax and other Canadian cities.

Jake's twin brother Owen has pitched in to help produce the buttons and even his 14-year-old brother Nathan is helping on the production line. Jake's mother Suzanne and friend Sandy, are helping Jake distribute the buttons locally.

This initiative is bringing the family together for a common cause and teaching the children valuable life lessons.

So far, \$1,500 has been raised.

If you would like to support Jake and the people in the Ukraine, you may contact him by email via his mother Suzanne at: suz_cummings@yahoo.com



Twin brothers Jake and Owen Tubaro (above) creating their "Ukrainian buttons" to raise money to help families in the Ukraine. Left, Sandy, Owen, Suzanne and Jake Tubaro showing their Ukraine buttons.



Arts Society King seeks passionate local writers

Arts Society King (ASK) is seeking volunteers to join the editorial board and writing team of MOSAiC Magazine, King Township's premier arts publication.

MOSAic, which highlights arts, culture, heritage, local artists, community news, and events in King Township and

beyond, is published four times a year and delivered to every house in King Township alongside the King Weekly Sentinel. Issues can also be read and enjoyed at local cafes, restaurants, businesses, and municipal buildings.

Editorial board responsibilities include attending one editorial meeting per issue (currently virtual), contributing suggestions for articles, and providing feedback on previous issues. A passion for King Township and the arts is appreciated.

ASK is also seeking writers to cover a range of 400- to 800-word articles. Suggestions for future topics and features are welcomed. Volunteer hours can be given if needed.

If you are interested in joining a vibrant community of talented writers and artists, please contact editor@arts-societyking.ca today!

Time to remove ice fishing huts

The Ontario Conservation Officers Association (OCA) would like to remind anglers to think ahead and prepare to remove their fish huts from Ontario's frozen water bodies.

"Anglers can continue to ice fish as long as ice conditions are safe, but ice huts must be removed from the ice by the prescribed deadlines," said OCA President Matthew McVittie. "After the ice hut removal dates, anglers may fish without an ice hut or use a portable fish hut that is made of cloth or synthetic fabric that is seven square metres in size or less."

Ice Hut Removal Dates:

- March 15th in FMZ 14, 16, 18, 19 and below the Lake Timiskaming dam in FMZ 12.

- March 31st in FMZ 9, 10, 11, 15 and above the Lake Timiskaming dam in FMZ 12.

"While ice safety should always be a top consideration before heading out fishing in the winter, this is especially true near the end of the winter season," says McVittie. "Ice conditions not only vary depending on where you are in the province, they can also vary greatly on a single water body. Areas with moving water or shallow areas, including shorelines, sunken points and mid lake shoals can be safe one day and virtually ice free a day or two later."

Anyone with information about a natural resources or public safety related offence is encouraged to call the NDMNRF violation reporting line at 1-877-847-7667, contact their local Conservation Officer directly, or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

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Seneca students donate to York Food Bank

The Seneca Student Federation (SSF) found itself in a position of having a large surplus for their 2021 fiscal year. Since the SSF are a non-profit organization, they decided to share some of that extra funding with a community partner who helped their student members in times of need during the pandemic, the Food Bank of York Region (FBYR).

“When Mario from the Seneca Student Federation reached out to me to share the good news of the donation they were providing, we were elated,” shares Alex Bilotta, founder and CEO of the Food Bank of York Region. “This monetary gift comes at a time of year where we don’t receive a lot of funding or donations of this type, and yet so many members of our community are still experiencing hunger. We’re very thankful that the SSF we’re thinking of us and are happy we made such a difference to the lives of many of their students.”

Before the pandemic, Seneca College King Campus had enrolled into the FBYR’s network as a student led food pantry partner. They received regular deliveries of perishable and non-perishable food items to help support their students experiencing food insecurity.

“The SSF partnered with the FBYR to provide our students with an on-campus food pantry for many years. They’ve helped our student members through troubled financial times before and during the pandemic,” states Mario de Carlo, Executive Director, Seneca Student Foundation. “So, we wanted to show our appreciation by making a \$10,000 donation to their organization, and we hope it goes a long way in helping feed more people.”

For More Information on the FBYR’s efforts to combat food insecurity in York Region, to donate or get involved please visit www.fbyr.ca today.

The Food Bank of York Region is the regional food hub and mobile food pantry with a network of 75+ social service agencies and emergency home delivery programs. The network supports food programs in the nine municipalities of York Region, serving 24,000+ individuals in 7,000 households. The COVID-19 pandemic increased the number of people accessing food bank programs in York Region by 42% from 2018, expanding the threshold of food insecurity to a larger scale of members of our community.

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Plan could reduce bills, benefit shift workers, support EVs

Ontario's Energy Minister Todd Smith has asked the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to provide him with options to implement a new ultra-low overnight Time-of-Use electricity price plan as the province continues to provide Ontario families with more ways to save money and take more control of their energy bills.

The new ultra-low overnight rate could help shift workers and residential consumers that use more electricity at night save money while supporting electric vehicle (EV) adoption, by reducing overnight EV charging costs when province-wide electricity demand is lower. Ontario also launched a public consultation on the proposal.

"Our government has reversed the trend of skyrocketing electricity prices and given families and businesses more control when it comes to their energy bills," said Todd Smith, Minister of Energy. "Introduction of a new ultra-low overnight price plan that would benefit shift workers and support EV adoption is our next step as we focus on helping electricity customers save money and

take more control of their energy bills."

Since the Ontario Government introduced Customer Choice in 2020, many residential and small business consumers have benefitted from switching their electricity pricing plan to one that best suits their lifestyle or business – either Time-of-Use or Tiered. The introduction of a third electricity price plan would give even more control to families and small businesses to find savings and reduce their electricity costs.

Delivery of a new ultra-low overnight price is possible as Ontario continues to have excess electricity during overnight hours. Shifting electricity use to these hours would make better use of Ontario's clean electricity supply when province-wide demand is low, increasing grid efficiency and generating value for all Ontario ratepayers. An ultra-low overnight rate could also further support decarbonization by using more nighttime electricity, which is typically generated from non-emitting resources. Supporting EV adoption through lowering overnight charging costs also supports objectives in the

government's Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan and Driving Prosperity automotive sector strategy.

"Since taking office, our government has introduced significant initiatives to help Ontario families and businesses save money," said Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade. "As outlined in our Driving Prosperity auto plan, Ontario is uniquely positioned to be a North American hub for developing and building the car of the future and this new ultra-low overnight electricity price plan is an example of the new initiatives we're implementing to secure long-term success and growth for the benefit of Ontario's auto workers and the communities that depend on it."

Minister Smith's letter to the OEB requests the OEB to examine and report back by April 2022 on potential designs for a new optional Time-of-Use price plan featuring an ultra-low overnight rate. The government will consider the OEB's report along with stakeholder feedback received through the public consultation on the Environmental Registry of Ontario with the intention of making the new price plan available to customers by April 2023.

"Electric vehicles are a powerful tool in the fight against climate change and

a critical way to reduce emissions," said David Piccini, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. "Making EVs more affordable and building them in Ontario are just some of the ways we are empowering Ontarians to do their part to create a cleaner, greener future for our province."

"Helping Ontarians keep more money in their pockets is a priority for our government. This new initiative will help electric vehicle owners save on costs, while also supporting the use of these environmentally-friendly vehicles across the province," said Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation. "As we build Ontario's transportation network for the future, we continue to invest in low-carbon travel options that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and get people where they need to go."

The Independent Electricity System Operator's 2021 Annual Planning Outlook projected an annual growth rate of 22 per cent in electric vehicle electricity demand by 2042. Ontario generates electricity at a lower cost, while emitting less carbon in its generation during overnight hours.

As of November 1, 2020, most families, small businesses, and farms now have a choice between electricity rate plans: a Time-of-Use rate or Tiered rate plan.

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Municipal services opening up

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

With the easing of public health measures, King Township is opening up its facilities.

CAO Dan Kostopoulos told councillors that masks remain, but capacity limits were lifted at Township facilities March 1. King staff can now start planning for future events, both indoors and outdoors.

Council and committee meetings will remain online for the time being. Kostopoulos noted they are making some changes by securing equipment to enable livestream meetings from the council chambers.

In-person services are available and roughly 60% of staff are now at their municipal work stations. Some are still working remote, and others are working with a hybrid model. It's a "gradual evolution," he noted, adding King's employees continue to fully contribute.

Plans are in the works for a GO Vax bus to visit King City, Nobleton and Schomberg in late March.

Kostopoulos said they're optimistic for the future and there are "definitely brighter days ahead."

More meetings, more interaction and more programs are coming together. Planning is in the works for March Break events and summer camps. As well, the gymnasium at the municipal centre opened this week.



Crews handle rural fire

King Fire Chief Jim Wall thanked the crews from fire houses 34, 36, and 38 for doing an awesome job in containing and knocking down a rural fire in King recently. The fire itself started by a small outbuilding and eventually spread to a two-storey garage as well as threatening the home. Unknown to the homeowner, the fire burned for quite some time while they were sound asleep. Thanks to the actions of a neighbour, the fire was noticed, the residents safely exited the home, and called 9-1-1. Solid work from the first engine crew, the incident commander, the pump operator, as well as the crews who supported tanker shuttle operations. The cause of the fire is still currently under investigation.



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Christine Elliott decides not to seek re-election

By Brock Weir

The race to be Newmarket-Aurora's next MPP is on after Christine Elliott, who has served as the riding's Provincial representative – along with the roles of Deputy Premier of Ontario and Minister of Health – since 2018, announced she would not seek re-election.

Ms. Elliott formally confirmed her decision on Friday morning, a move she said was taken “after considerable reflection” and discussion with her family.

“I sought elected office in 2006 because of my strong desire to improve the quality of life of individuals with special needs, as well as mental health challenges,” said Elliott, who previously represented the former riding of Whitby-Ajax between 2006 and 2007. “I saw gaps in care that motivated me to action. I am so proud to have worked on these issues as the critic for the Official Opposition, Ontario’s first Patient Ombudsman and most recently as Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. My passion for these issues, of course, evolved over time to include the breadth of challenges facing our health care system.

“The COVID-19 pandemic has tested us all, but none more so than our incredible frontline healthcare workers. I want to express my profound admiration of and gratitude for all who provide care to Ontarians each and every day. They do so bravely, selflessly, and at great expense to their own personal lives and circumstances.”

Ms. Elliott was appointed Ontario's

Minister of Health shortly after the 2018 Provincial Election, which saw Aurorans pick the former Progressive Conservative leadership candidate over NDP candidate Melissa Williams and incumbent Liberal cabinet minister Chris Ballard.

Less than two years later, the Health Ministry was thrust into the spotlight as the world grappled with the global pandemic.

“Following a photo-finish leadership race, I was thrilled when Christine became a key part of our team and campaign,” said Premier Doug Ford on Friday on his closest rival in the leadership race. “After voters placed their trust in us to form government, she was at the top of the list to serve as Deputy Premier and Minister of Health, posts she has held since the day we were sworn in and will continue to do so until the election.

“Christine has been at my side since the start of the pandemic. She remains instrumental in helping steer Ontario through one of the most difficult periods in our province’s history, especially now as we continue to protect our hard-fought progress and ease public health measures. I will continue to rely on her advice and counsel.

“In the shadow of the pandemic, it would be easy to forget all of Christine’s many accomplishments as Minister of Health. Because of her reforms standing up Ontario Health, we have been able to reinvest hundreds of millions of dollars a year previously wasted on unnecessary bureaucracy directly into better patient care. Ontario Health

Teams are up and running, providing more seamless care for patients. Roadmap to Wellness, unveiled by Christine in 2020, is better connecting the Province’s long-neglected mental health and addictions system, enabled by historic funding.”

But these health measures, particularly related to the global pandemic, were not without controversy and as the Newmarket-Aurora ballot has taken shape in recent weeks, candidates with health backgrounds began lining up to challenge Ms. Elliott for the seat, including public health epidemiologist Denis Heng for the NDP and neuropsychologist Dr. Sylvain Roy for the Liberals.

Replacing Ms. Elliott as the Progressive Conservative nominee for Newmarket-Aurora is Dawn Gallagher Murphy, who has served as Ms. Elliott’s constituency manager since her election.

“I have no doubt the people of Ontario will return [Premier Ford and the PC team] to government to continue the critical work of protecting Ontarians’ health and safety while recovering

from the pandemic,” Ms. Elliott continued in her statement. “I want to thank my staff, as well as the public servants, particularly at the Ministry of Health, for their tireless efforts supporting and executing the absolutely herculean task of managing a once-in-a-lifetime crisis like COVID-19.

“To the people of Newmarket-Aurora and all the volunteers who have supported me, I thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve and fight for your interests at Queen’s Park. I know that my successor will continue to advocate strongly for what matters most to you. Finally, and most importantly, I must express my love and gratitude to my family for their unconditional support not only over the past almost two decades, but throughout the last 24 months in particular. Like many Ontarians, I would not have been able to do my job day in and day out without their support.

“I am truly thankful for the journey I have taken in public life and am looking forward to what the next chapter will bring.”



Vivona is King-Vaughan Liberal candidate

Liberals in King-Vaughan have nominated Gillian Vivona, a high school teacher and a strong community advocate, as their Ontario Liberal Party (OLP) candidate for the next provincial election.

“As a teacher, Gillian has a firsthand understanding of the need to invest in our schools and provide our children with the best education possible,” said Liberal Leader, Steven Del Duca. “Gillian will be a fantastic MPP for her community and I am very happy to have her on our team.”

Vivona is a high school teacher of almost 40 years. In 2000, Vivona and her family moved to Vaughan and has been an outspoken community advocate ever since, participating in fundraising events for Vaughan charity organizations and has been an active participant within the King-Vaughan community.

Vivona has developed strong leadership skills as a local teaching staff representative and an elected member of her local teachers’ association. This includes eight years as a full-time teacher representative in the roles of association vice-president and president.

Vivona enjoys problem solving and has spent the last two decades developing the skills and experience needed to serve the residents of King-Vaughan as their MPP.

“King-Vaughan residents want to have a safe and prosperous life with stable and excellent services,” said Vivona. “Together we will rebuild King-Vaughan as the best riding it can be with thriving families, protected lands, a growing economy, a world class education system and outstanding health care. It’s time to make every voice matter in King-Vaughan.”

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Local pond hockey tourney boosts two cancer centres

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

A friendly game of pond hockey led to smiles all around in King recently.

A Nobleton area family organized the ice hockey event to raise money for Stronach Cancer Centre at Southlake and PMH Cancer Centre in Toronto.

According to organizer Christopher McFarlane, more than 150 attended and raised more than \$23,000.

McFarlane said his father David died of cancer in June of 2021 and he received care at Southlake's Cancer Centre.

A fellow organizer, Nathan, also lost his father (John Rothwell) to cancer last year. He was treated at Princess Margaret.

"We were amazed by the quality of the care and wanted to do our part to raise money for these two centres," he said.

The pond hockey tournament had 32 players on eight teams. It was a double-elimination tournament that started at 9 a.m. Players came from mostly GTA, but some skaters came in from

Collingwood and even Boston, MA. People who were not participating in the hockey tournament were told to come at noon for lunch and to catch the final games of the hockey, which wrapped up at 1 p.m.

McFarlane said upwards of 175 people, including children, attended the event.

Christopher's father put in the spring-fed pond when he bought the property in 2007.

"When it freezes over every winter we always made sure to keep the ice in good condition by blowing the snow off of it and flooding it. We have hosted many pond hockey games on the pond over the years and my Dad used to love to see us get together and use the ice."

Along with Christopher, his mom Susan, wife Brooke Bunston, sister Joanna and her husband Jamie Wright, pulled it all together. Nathan Rothwell and his wife Ashley Brunsek were also integral in the day's success. Jamie and Ashley also lost parents to cancer.

This event not only brought people together for a good cause, it honoured the memories of loved ones.



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Men's curling teams edging towards the playoffs

By Shellee Morning

The Canadian Men's Curling Championships known as The Brier began this past weekend, and believe it or not, King Curling Club Men's League embraces a similar merit with this prestigious event to be "champion"

Yes the calibre may be different but the ending result is astonishingly exact and that is to be the best that you can be especially when it counts.

With just two more weeks left of the regular season of play before playoffs begin, the men with brooms are jockeying positions into their seeded round with A and B divisions. The last 2 teams standing in the 16 team roster will play for the title of Men's League Champion.

Last week's competition as predicted resulted in close scoring matches that continues to dominate the boys club that not only produces some amazing shot making but generates an incredible amount of excitement and energy.

League leader Team Inglis maintained their winning repertoire over second place Team Campbell after solid efforts by all. Teams Brown and Barber both lost their games but sit in 3rd and 4th place respectively. Team Davis had a win over Team Brown this past week moved up the roster to tie with Barber in 4th position. Team Sheardown owns 6th place while Al Scott and his crew squeaked an 8-7 win in their game against Team Smith to find themselves nestled in 7th spot overall.

Skip George Gerrits won only 3 ends in his game against Barber but it's the score on the board that counts as Gerrits earned the 7-5 win and 8th place within the league.

Aside from Inglis, who holds a healthy lead of 112 points for first place, and Campbell with 80, the next few teams are a little more close knit. Brown has 76, Barber and Davis tied with 72 then Sheardown 68, Scott 60 and Gerrits 59. The remainder of the field sit between a range of 15-59 points.

But, as I have reported many times in the past, the playoffs are a whole different story. Anything can happen. Surprise upsets always seem to appear and it's the teams that hold it together when the stakes are high that survive and become King of the House.



Skips Mark Inglis (left) and Jack Campbell (right) deliver during Monday night Men's League.

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Cougars play Golden Hawks in first round

By Robert Belardi

The Schomberg Cougars 5-3 victory over the Caledon Golden Hawks last Thursday wasn't enough to secure second place as the boys will now have to take on their cross-town rivals in a seven-game-series.

The Cougars finished with 43 points. It all came down to Sunday's game between the Orillia Terriers and the Huntsville Otters to decide their fate. The Terriers defeated the Otters 4-1, securing second spot for themselves.

Dropping down to third spot, it will be a physical series against the Golden Hawks and last Thursday was simply a preview of what is to come.

Zach Gallow got the Cougars on the board thanks to his shot squeaking through Mason Kameka's five-hole to give the boys the lead. Luke Camara tied it up midway through the frame to

make 1-1 into the first intermission.

At the beginning of the second period, the Cougars came out pouncing. Marc Bottero potted home his 30 goal of the season just 58 seconds in. But shortly after and on the power play to boot, Cougars netminder Tristan Szymanowski committed a costly mistake. The Cougars netminder jumped out of goal to play the puck that was intercepted by the Golden Hawks. Noah Crispo put it home into the empty cage.

Towards the end of the period, the Cougars connected on the power play. Christian Taylor snuck it past Kameka with six seconds left in the period to regain the lead.

With momentum on their side, Cameron Kokelj scored twice in the final period bringing his scoring tally up to 30.

Game one is at the Trisan Centre at 7:30 p.m. tonight. Game two will take place on Saturday at Trisan Centre.

Lions defeat Mustangs 5-3

By Robert Belardi

The St. Maximillian Kolbe Mustangs fell to the King City Lions 5-3 in quite a nail-biter in YRAA Tier 1 hockey last Thursday afternoon.

The Mustangs, went up against a Lions team in good form as of late. The Lions were coming off a 7-3 victory against Newmarket HS.

The Mustangs were coming off two consecutive defeats against Stouffville and St. Theresa Of Lisieux.

The Lions came out swinging in the first period and took advantage on the power play. Gavin Torkhoff, ripped a point shot that trickled through Mustangs netminder John Paul Prohilo.

It took the Mustangs a little bit of time to get into the game and a few saves from Prohilo surely helped with that. He denied Christian Velocci on the break-away.

In the second period, Mustangs forward Zaid Soliman showcased to every spectator that he is able to create moments of magic.

Soliman went coast to coast, bopping and weaving through Lions players before sniping one past Blake Bowler to tie it up.

And shortly after, the Mustangs briefly took the lead. On the power play, a slick pass from Gabriel Oldenhof found Cayden Connelly at the point. The defenceman, saw his shot hit the back of the net.

The Lions, unfazed by going down by one goal, seemed to of taken their game up a notch. Captain Michael Critelli dispossessed a Mustangs defenceman in the offensive zone thanks to his relentless forecheck. Critelli found David Paglia all alone in front and he tied the game right up at two.

In the third, the Lions opened up the floodgates. Critelli, Velocci and Paglia added three goals as the Lions downed the Mustangs in Schomberg.

The Lions are 2-4. They play Sacred Heart at Trisan Centre today at 2:30 p.m.

We Care tourney off, online vouchers for sale

The We Care Golf Tournament, scheduled for Thursday, June 16 at Cardinal Golf Club, has been cancelled for the safety of all concerned due to the uncertainty of the ongoing covid situation.

Once again this year, organizers will be selling Cardinal E-vouchers online for rounds of golf online for \$100 each, including 18 holes of golf, power cart, taxes and a donation to We Care which will help send kids to Easter Seals camps across Canada. E-voucher invitations will be emailed in the spring when Cardinal opens for the 2022 golf season.

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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone

St. Paul's Church
By Linda Blydorp

We invite you to join us in person for worship this Sunday! We must still abide by masking and physical distancing guidelines, but there's room for you.

Our Pastor, Jeff Loach will be leading worship this Sunday. Jeff will be continuing a new series on the book of Revelation. His message is titled, "A Vision of Holiness" based on Revelation 4.1-11.

Our live-streamed broadcasts are available directly on stpaulsnobleton.ca or on our YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m. You can watch previous services or messages anytime, also on our YouTube channel youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton.

Our Women's LifeConnect Group has begun meeting again on Tuesday mornings, 9:30 to 11 a.m. via Zoom. For details be in touch with us at stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect.

LifeConnect Group is also meeting

on Tuesday evenings at the Church and on Zoom at 7:30 for both men and women. Both groups will be going deeper with questions related to the previous Sunday's message. It's a good way to do life together with other believers in a more intimate setting than you can get on a Sunday morning. For details of either group, be in touch with us at stpaulsnobleton.ca.

St. Paul's is coordinating with the King Township Food Bank in the distribution of "St. Paul's Love Bags." These bags will include items that are seldom donated and are in high demand for those less fortunate. If you would like to help by contributing to this mission, please check www.stpaulsnobleton.ca to find a list of items needed.

While we wait for it to be safe for our kids' ministry to meet in person on Sundays, we are providing Family Ministry At-Home boxes each month for parents interested in engaging with their kids in faith development. If you would like to participate, tick the appropriate box on the connection card at stpaulsnobleton.ca/connect. We're planning for the return of in-person kids' ministry, and will relaunch it as soon as it is safe to do so.

St. Mary's Church

Now that restrictions are lifted, it is time to return to physical presence at Sunday Mass, if not impeded for a legitimate reason, in keeping with our basic Sunday obligation as Catholics.

Masks will continue to be worn in our churches until directed otherwise by medical and health officials.

Browse our websites:

St. Patrick's Parish: <https://stpatrickssc.archtoronto.org/>

St. Mary's Mission: <https://stmarysno.archtoronto.org/>

The Children's Liturgy of the Word Program on Zoom has resumed. More details in the parish bulletin or contact our Children's liturgy of the Word coordinator on: 416-605-6843.

If there is anything we can do to support you, please call the parish office on 905-859-5522 or email us at: stpatandstmarysc@archtoronto.org

Nobleton United Church

By Nancy Hopkinson

Nobleton United Church members are now worshipping and singing with masks on. Our in-person services began last Sunday for the first time in two years. Every other pew is blocked off to maintain social distancing.

Rev. Evelyn McLachlan is our pulpit supply for all of March. At the front of the church, we had a beautiful arrangement of flowers in remembrance of Paul Olsen by his family. Linda Olsen was joined by her son Peter and her grandson Mitch. At the end of the service, we had tea/coffee/juice and cupcakes which we ate while back in the pews. Everyone is welcome to join our friendly small congregation. We have a large parking lot in the rear and we are asking people to sign in as they enter through the back door.

Rev. Evelyn McLachlan talked about the Ukraine situation. She had noticed a Facebook posting in the Schomberg Community page by Suzanne Cummings about how worried her 10-year-old son Jake was about what was happening in Ukraine. He decided that he could make a difference by making blue and yellow buttons to raise money for the Red Cross and because the Canadian government was matching the funds. Rev. Evelyn bought some buttons and gave them out to all at the service and encouraged us to take more to give to others. Jake, his twin brother Owen and older brother Nathan have all

helped to make these buttons.

The date of the famous DiFebo Pasta Dinner is Friday, March 25. There is a drive-thru option (pick up 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.), and a dine-in option (6 p.m.). We have kept the cost the same as originally planned two years ago! The dinners will need to be booked in advance. The contact person is Fran Bones, 416-573-3819. The cost is \$22 per adult, \$10 for children aged 5- 10 years. Children under 5 are free if they are dining in with an adult.

We are limiting the dine-in dinners in our Lower Hall, so book early to reserve a spot. This meal is organized by Sue & Gino DiFebo and Val Ball. The dine-in dinners are a lovely occasion. There is time to talk to neighbours. The dinner includes pasta, meatballs in a special tomato-based (DiFebo heritage recipe) sauce, and a Caesar salad. Dessert for the drive-thru is a white cupcake. Dessert for the dine-in is ice cream with a special Italian crispie waffle cookie called a pizzelle.

We have changed our Zoom Coffee hour to Wednesday mornings frp, 10 to 11 a.m. Let me know if you want to be included in the email blast or want to join via phone. Our chat topics are wide-ranging.

My contact info is 905-859-0761 or nancy@hopkinson.ca.

Nobleton Tennis Club

Nobleton Tennis club will open online registration on April 15 at nobletontennisclub.com. We will be offering Junior and Adult group lessons, Adult clinics, Cardio tennis and junior tennis camps. Group lessons for both adults and juniors will start May 18th and be held once per week for 6 weeks. Registration and prices can be found on the website. Junior tennis camps will be offered the week of July 11 to 15th and the week of August 8 to 12. Registration and prices for summer camp can be found on the website.

Nobleton tennis club will also be participating in the Intercounty tennis league and will be entering a Mixed A team, Ladies A team and Ladies B team. If there is enough interest we also have the possibility of entering a 55+ team. Anyone interested on playing on any of the above Intercounty teams should contact the club ASAP.

We have some exciting developments for 2022, Come and see what's new!



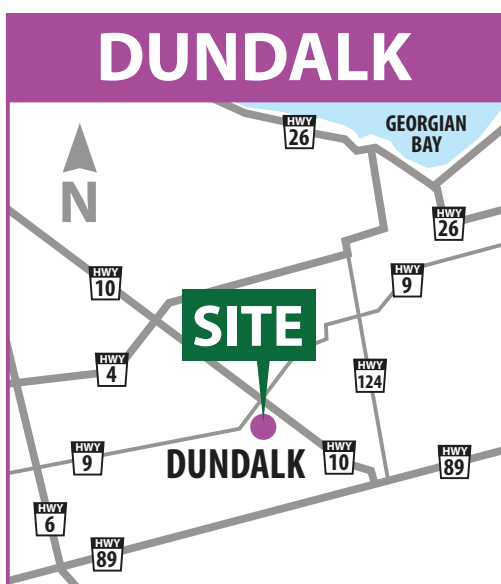
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them as their passion for shopping comes to life and to support market vendors!

United Church By Nancy Hopkinson

Schomberg United Church is once again worshipping in-person at St. Mary Magdalene Church, lower level, at 9:30 a.m. Masks are required. Chairs are distanced. Rev. Evelyn McLachlan is the pulpit supply for March. There were light refreshments at the end of the service.

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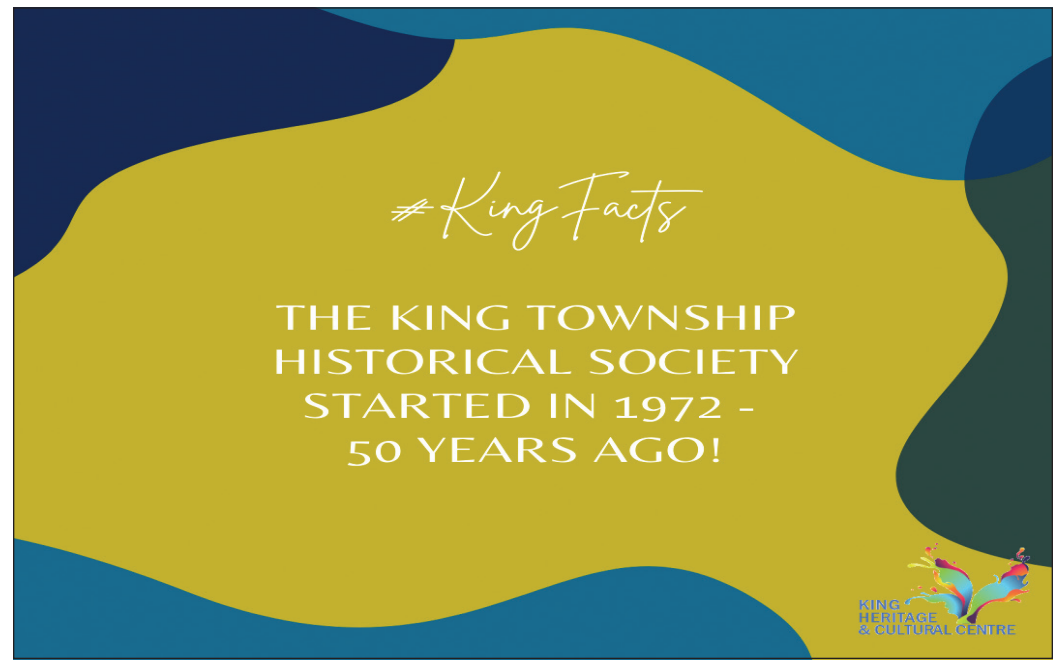
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King City United
By Sheryl Sinka

The season of Lent lasts 40 days and is a time for reflection and preparation leading up to Easter and it commemorates Jesus's 40-day fast in the desert. There is a Lent guide/devotional with readings and actions available through our office focusing on Living Lent in a "Green Way." If you would like one please contact the office at kcuc@bellnet.ca

Our worship on Sunday begins at 10 a.m. and we will be celebrating the sacrament of communion this Sunday. In order to prepare the elements, we ask that you RSVP to kcuc@bellnet.ca if you will be attending or call our office at 905-833-5181 during office hours (Tuesday to Thursday, 1 to 5:30).

As we have returned to in-person worship we continue to ask that those who attend attest that they have been fully vaccinated. The worship will be recorded and available on our website kcuc@bellnet.ca later in the day for those unable to attend.

King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. as we're back in-person for our services! We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube.

Please visit our website to register for our services (we require everyone to pre-register for the service).

Pastor Mark will be continuing our sermon series Witness of a New Era - the Book of Acts.

We will be having a Pop Up Clothing, Toy and Book Giveaway event on Saturday, March 26 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please don't forget to wear your mask!

We will be hosting a market this summer at King Bible Church at 1555 King Road, in King City. We are in a prime, high-traffic location and are looking to create connections within our community. We are looking for artisans, craft makers, food vendors etc. from all over Ontario to showcase the diverse skills and creativity in our community.

If you are interested in being a vendor please email info@kingbiblechurch.com for an application form. Or visit our website www.kingbiblechurch.com

Please visit our website for links and further information. www.kingbiblechurch.com

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We also have virtual Bible studies over Zoom. Further information is on our website under "Small Groups."

If you have any questions please email Lisa Lethangue at lisa@kingbiblechurch.com.

King City Seniors

With the expansion of attendance numbers, please note that Gentle Motion is now only offered at 9:30 a.m.

Our current activities are as follows: Monday 10 a.m. Viva Dance; 1 p.m. Intermediate Bridge; Tuesday 1 p.m. Bid Euchre; Wednesday 1 p.m. Novice bridge; Thursday 9:30 a.m. Gentle Motion; 1pm Carpet Bowling, Friday 1 p.m. Euchre.

If you are new to our programs and wish to participate in these activities, arrive at the Centre shortly before each activity begins to register.

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

St. Andrew's is holding "safe" in-person services and invites you to join us during Lent as we journey towards Easter! Our Sunday Worship service is at

10:30 a.m. and Lynn Vissers will lead us. The services are recorded and posted on our website around 4 p.m. at st-andrews-kingcity.ca for those who cannot attend or may not feel comfortable at this time.

The Bible Studies offered on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, led by Lynn Vissers, our Director of Congregational Ministries, are able to be in-person. Check with Lynn whether they will be held at the church and/or online and she will send you the ZOOM link if needed. There's always great questions and discussion about the sermon.

The studies are Tuesdays at 7 p.m. for the "after work ladies" and Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. "Art for the Soul" takes place Wednesday afternoons. Lynn encourages you to join, whatever your experience with art. Call Lynn for the ZOOM link.

Philippians 4:6,7 has become a favourite verse especially in these uncertain, anxious times "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

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DAWKINS, Penelope

Penelope J. Dawkins passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, January 30, 2022 surrounded by her family who dearly loved her. Penny was a fighter who miraculously outlived her Multiple Myeloma prognosis by many years but finally succumbed to COPD. She was born in Toronto where she lived until her family moved north to King Township when she was a child. After graduating from Women's College Hospital School of Nursing, Penny moved to San Francisco for a temporary adventure. Over the next 50+ years there, she made dear friendships and married her best friend, Charles B. Whelan, who she survived after 28 years of marriage in 2012. Penny was an Operating Room Nurse and was Head Nurse for ENT at Children's Hospital, San Francisco. She cherished her summer visits to King and especially the fun loving weekends with her nursing school pals who became dear lifelong friends. Penny had a way with plants that bordered on the supernatural - and with cats who she shared nine lives with. Her wit, humour and warmth are legendary. She will be sorely missed. A memorial will be held in Penny's honour sometime this summer when the birds are singing and the sun is warm and shining, and the gin is flowing. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.thompsonfh-aurora.com for the Dawkins family and friends.



In lieu of flowers please donate to a charity of your choice. And of course, and always, may we, her survivors, encourage you to quit smoking if at all possible. And better not to start at all!

708 OBITUARIES

Wilkinson: Harry

With heavy hearts we announce the passing of our beloved Harry, on March 5, 2022 at 86 years old. Harry leaves behind his loving wife of 63 years Norma, his children Jim (Nancy), Patty (Sam Brouwer), and David (Peggy), his grandchildren Vicki and Alex, and great grandchildren Archie and Ellie. Sadly missed by his sister Josie (Keith Bridal), and his extended family - Jim and Sharon Garbutt, Dan and Mary Garbutt, Peter and Kathy Fischer, Rick and Irene French, Judy Garbutt (the late Jack), Debi Garbutt (the late Gary), and his many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends at Rod Abrams Funeral Home Tottenham on Thursday, March 10, 2022 from 4-7pm. Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, March 11, 2022 at 2pm in St. James Church Colgan. Donations to the Alzheimer's Society or the charity of your choice would be appreciated. Please visit www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com to view Harry's full obituary or to leave condolences for the family.



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Prayers and Support for Ukraine are found online at: <https://presbyterian.ca/2022/03/04/praying-for-ukraine/>.

Pastor Niyazi and Irada Bilgen of the Greater Grace Fellowship may be reached at 416-878-8499 regarding their Bible Study arrangements.

For pastoral care please call Lynn Vissers: 416-998-4652, or our Interim Moderator, the Rev. Jonathan Dennis: 1-905-724-1979.

Could you please add to St. Andrew's Update that the time changes at 2:00 a.m. Sunday morning. Set their clocks forward an hour before going to bed! Spring is coming!

All Saints Anglican Church By Patrick Gossage

Welcome back to more normal worship. We can now sit where we wish at services but if you want to be distanced, greeters will ensure that you are. Come as you are - you are always welcome.

Almsgiving Challenge - Fr. Michael's sermon on the first Sunday of

Lent on Deuteronomy 26: "So now I bring the first fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me."

"Amidst all the chilling images we've seen from the Ukraine war last week, we've seen some that inspire us with scenes of courage and compassion. I've been given hope by the Romanians and Poles driving to their countries' borders with supplies and rides for Ukrainians fleeing the fighting. Likewise in Germany people are showing up at train stations, greeting refugees and offering to put them up in their homes. Refuge and refugee seem like two poles of the modern human experience. Those living in security and safety can suddenly find uprooted strangers on their doorsteps. One of the tests of a society is how it deals with those in need. Refuge and refugee.

"Today is the first Sunday of Lent. Lent calls us to return to those basic practices that mark us as disciples of Jesus. The liturgy of Ash Wednesday calls us 'to observe a holy Lent by self-examination, penitence, prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, and by reading and meditating on the word of God' 'Almsgiving' is a core Christian practice. To give alms is to show mercy, to give as an act of charity in its original

meaning of love for others.

"Today, on this first Sunday of Lent, I am asking you to consider making almsgiving one of your spiritual disciplines. I've challenged your hearts before, so here's one last challenge. I'm asking you to figure out your daily income over the course of a month, and then try and set that much money aside over the course of this Lenten season. I'm calling this the Almsgiving Challenge.

"Who will receive this money you set aside? It's up to you to choose a charitable organization to receive the money you set aside. I don't mean All Saints. This Challenge is about a donation outside our walls. If you want to support the Red Cross appeal for Ukraine, or if you want to support Ukrainian refu-

gees through the United Nations High Commission for Refugees, go for it. For our part, Joy and I are going to give a day's income to support our Diocesan Faith Works 2022 program, which starts this week. We've chosen FaithWorks because this is a terrible time to be poor, to be food insecure or marginally housed. This year Bishop Andrew has allowed FaithWorks to raise funds for indigenous reconciliation.

"We won't track donations. This is between you and God. I pray that this practice of intentional almsgiving will empower us all through a sense that we are working with God to bring about God's purposes in an increasingly grim world. May God bless you this Lent, and may God bless your almsgiving and those who receive it."



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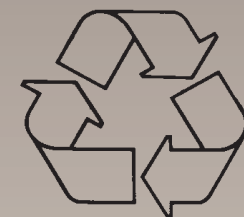
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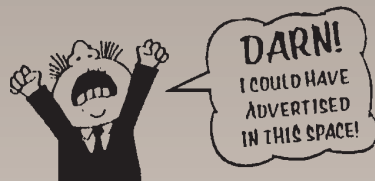


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By **Julien Laurion**
 The Big Tuna of Real Estate



Dear Julien, a friend of mine just purchased a home and did not include a home inspection clause because of this crazy market we are in – is this a big mistake? Would you recommend a home inspection?

Sincerely, CarLover

Hey CarLover, good question!

A home inspection is not necessary for a transaction to occur, but it is always a good idea.

Purchasing a home is a major investment, so why not verify that the home is in good condition.

A qualified home inspector, performing a thorough inspection can spot potentially costly repairs that you, as the new homeowner, may have to undertake.

Prior to the 'COVID housing boom,' the market had cooled and corrected itself a little bit, and sellers were accepting conditional offers on a home inspection and financing.

Typically, if the offer is conditional on a home inspection, you have five business days to get the home inspected.

However, now that market is very hot once again, the majority of accepted offers are firm and over asking price.

Meaning – no conditions, no home inspection and more money!

Saying this, you can always include a home inspection clause, and if you are including a home inspection clause, the wording you choose is critical.

A good home inspection clause should typically include the following: "This offer is conditional upon the inspection of the subject property, by a registered home inspector, at the buyer's own expense and the obtaining of a report satisfactory to the buyer and the buyer's sole and absolute discretion." This type of clause will protect the buyer should

the inspection yield an unfavourable report.

If the inspection raises issues of concern, you will have some options.

One option could be to walk away from the purchase entirely; the second option is to allow the sellers to fix the identified issues before the completion date, or, lastly, reduce the purchase price reflecting the repairs needed.

CarLover, conditions in a contract are to protect you as the buyer from potential headaches.

The purchase of any property is costly and negative consequences could arise when they are not part of the purchase process.

Wherever possible, I always opt to include them. Cheers!

Julien Laurion AKA Big Tuna is a local

Real Estate Sale Representative with

Royal LePage Your Community Realty in Aurora.

I am a real estate agent who has expertise in both Real

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AVERAGE 8 DAYS ON MARKET	AVERAGE 21 DAYS ON MARKET
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184	56
316 NEW LISTINGS	99 NEW LISTINGS
SALE TO LIST RATIO	SALE TO LIST RATIO
115%	99%
YEAR OVER YEAR % CHANGE	YEAR OVER YEAR % CHANGE
36.51%	38.82%

*The statistics provided were obtained from the Toronto Regional Real Estate Board's Market Watch February 2022: Summary of Existing Home Transactions for All Home Types + Focus on the MLS Home Price Index for Composite for York Region's Aurora and King

As we approach spring market we are seeing a surge of new listings and while we are continuing to see good sales, things seem to have softened and we are no longer guaranteed multiple offers on a set offer date. Overall, the market is still favourable to Sellers, but Buyers are a little more cautious with the interest rate increase and uncertainty in world affairs. As we continue to see more new inventory in the coming weeks, things will start levelling out and we will start to lean towards a more balanced market.

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The Michele Denniston team has twenty-plus years of collective real estate experience in the King and surrounding regions. Over our time serving King Township, we have helped our clients sell tons of different properties; from modern townhomes to large century farms and everything in between – we have come across frequently asked questions by our clients and are here to answer them for you today!

When is the Best Time to Sell?

The old rule of thumb when deciding to sell your home was to wait until the months start getting warmer. However, today the market conditions do not mirror seasonal trends. Inventory has become scarce and has increased demand exceedingly in the past few years. Listing today or as soon as possible gets you a great return on your transaction looking at the state of the current market; it is a great time to be a seller.

How Can I Prepare my Home Before Putting it Up for Sale?

We offer our clients full-scale complimentary staging service and pre-photography consultations if your property is already furnished. However, we also provide our clients with packages outlining key things to prepare. Decluttering your home, dusting, making your home smell good, cleaning glass windows and doors, re-painting trims and door frames, doing other cosmetic jobs, or using our concierge service will help sell your home faster and for more money.

Does Listing Strategy Matter?

Selling and marketing strategy is a huge reason we advocate sellers to hire experienced and reputable realtors for their homes. Having the ability to optimally strategize and know the best way to sell a property is a skill, not every realtor has. Being able to weigh in on the current market and properly pricing a home are the most important things to do to sell a home successfully. Hire a realtor who knows when to hold for offers or price traditionally and understand that first impressions are everything, and you only have one shot to impress & “wow” the buyer pool. A reputable buyer understands the concept of ‘if the price is right, it sells overnight, price it wrong, it stays on too long!’

How Should I Decide on the Right Realtor?

We recommend finding a realtor specializing in the neighbourhood or type of home you are selling. It is also wise to look at the realtor’s reviews and testimonials from previous



clients, or even ask the realtor for references from previous clients; that is a great way to develop trust and confidence when hiring them. Lastly, meeting for an initial interview or listing appointment is good for getting to know your realtor personally and deciding if they are the right match for you.

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Spring home maintenance inside and out



(NC) With spring right around the corner, we're all looking to put those winter blues behind us and get our homes into tip-top shape. But with spring weather being unpredictable, sometimes it's hard to juggle work, life, interior and exterior maintenance.

Get a head start on spring by checking the interior of your home while it's still cold and snowy outside. Here are some of the ways you can be proactive about protecting your home and your health:

- Check and reset ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs)

- Test smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors
- Lubricate weatherstripping and sliding doors and windows
- Check that windows and screens are operating properly
- Check air ducts, remove covers and vacuum dust from vents
- Clean humidifier and check for condensation and proper humidity levels
- Check attic, basement and crawlspaces for leaks or moisture
- Clean or replace your furnace filter
- Check and clean the heat recovery ventilator (HRV); wash or replace the filter
- Check sump pump (if installed) for discharge
- Inspect water heater for leaks

As winter starts to break, you may have more opportunities to check on areas outside the home. In the long run, maintaining the exterior of your home can be just as

important as interior upkeep. When the weather is better, consider the following:

- Check eavestroughs and downspouts for debris
- Check roof for loose or cracked shingles
- Check driveways and walkways for frost damage
- Inspect fences
- Turn on exterior water supply
- Test septic system and clean if necessary
- Plan landscaping to avoid soil settlement and water ponding

Remember to always work safely and do your research before taking on an unfamiliar task. Consider leaving some of the more dangerous tasks, such as checking for mould or roof inspections, to a licensed professional.

Find more home maintenance tips at tarion.com.
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Melting rooftop snow can lead to big problems

(NC) Whenever the temperature rises after a cold spell, whether from a winter thaw or the beginning of spring, rooftop snow can lead to damage. Ice damming is a common occurrence, and it can affect both the exterior and interior of your home.

What causes ice damming?

An ice dam is created when snow melts during the day and then freezes again, usually at night around the edges of your roof or eavestroughs. As this barrier of ice gets larger, it prevents further melting snow from draining off the roof.

With no way of leaving your roof, meltwater pools there and backs up under the shingles and into your home, where it can cause damage to the wood structure, insulation, ceiling, wall finishes, furnishings and personal belongings.

Outside, ice dams are not only a safety risk, but they can also cause damage to eaves and lead to the buildup of a white, powdery residue called efflorescence on concrete and brickwork.

Homeowner dos and don'ts

The best thing to do is prevent ice dams before they happen. Soon after a snowfall, use a roof rake to remove snow from the first metre of your roof. If you already have ice buildup and want it removed, consider hiring an experienced professional to do it for you.

Don't climb onto the roof to try to clear snow or ice — you can damage your home and seriously hurt yourself. Throwing salt or de-icing chemicals on roof ice is also a bad idea, as they may cause shingles to deteriorate.

Warranty coverage for ice damming

In most cases, damage associated with ice damming isn't covered by Ontario's new home warranty because it's a natural occurrence that can be prevented through proper maintenance.

However, you may be entitled to coverage for up to two years if the water penetration into your home is the result of a defect in workmanship or materials. If you're unsure, talk to your builder. You can also contact Tarion, the organization that backstops your builder warranty.

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What is a VOC and why should I care?

(NC) Volatile organic compounds, also known as VOCs, are a large group of chemicals commonly found in both indoor and outdoor air that can affect air quality. There are many sources in your home, such as glues, paints, varnishes, adhesives, furnishings, flooring, cleaning products, cooking and tobacco smoke.

While some VOCs give off distinctive odours, they are often present even if you can't smell them. Exposure to some VOCs indoors can affect your health, depending on which ones are present, the level present and how long you are exposed.

VOCs can cause a variety of health effects, including fatigue, headaches, breathing problems, and irritation of the eyes, nose and throat.

Should I be worried?

For most VOCs, levels found in indoor air in Canadian homes do not generally pose a significant health risk. However, some people may be more sensitive, such as those with asthma, those who are pregnant, children and seniors. That's why it's important to take steps to reduce VOCs in your home.

Simple ways to reduce exposure

- Avoid smoking indoors. Smoke contains many different VOCs.
- Increase ventilation. When possible, use a range hood exhaust fan that vents outside when cooking.
- Maintain your fireplaces and wood stoves, following the manufacturer's instructions, and clean your chimneys regularly.
- Open windows when outdoor air conditions are good. Check the outdoor air quality in your community by visiting the Air Quality Health Index (AQHI).
- Choose low-VOC products when possible.



Some composite wood products (such as flooring), paints, varnishes and cleaning products emit fewer VOCs than others.

- Ensure there is a good seal around any doors connecting the house to an attached garage.
- Open windows when using cleaning products, especially those that have a strong smell.
- Open windows when using home improvement products, including glues, paints, varnishes and adhesives.

- Always read and follow label instructions of cleaning and home improvement products. Always store products according to label directions and tightly seal containers to prevent VOC emission during storage.
- Minimize the use of scented products, such as plug-in or aerosol air fresheners. These products often contain or produce VOCs to mask odours.

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5 tips for discovering your new neighbourhood

5 tips for hibernating at home this winter

(NC) Whether it's because of rough weather or a desire to limit contacts during the pandemic, many of us will be spending plenty of time at home these days. Here are some tips to help you have an enjoyable and stress-free season in your refuge from the world:

1 CREATE A COZY SPACE. The first step is making sure you have a warm nest in which to watch movies, read books and cook delicious meals. So, outfit your home with the essentials, like fluffy blankets, fuzzy pillows and plenty of candles (real or LED). Choose colours that bring you joy, whether it's calming neutrals and pastels or bold, energizing shades.

2 DESIGNATE ACTIVITY AREAS. Things can get blurry when you spend lots of time at home, with work bleeding into fun spaces and kids' toys creeping into grownup territory. But even if you have a smaller home, you can establish dedicated areas for each activity using area rugs and hidden storage.

3 DREAM UP THINGS TO DO. While new shows and movies are hitting streaming platforms almost daily, taking a break from screens is a good idea. Prepare some no-tech activities that everyone can enjoy, from fun crafts you find on Pinterest to finally printing your digital photos and sorting them in albums.

4 BATCH COOK FOR LAZY DAYS. On a weekend when you're snowed in or it's way too cold to go outside, dedicate some time to cooking in larger batches and freeze portions of stews, soups, curries and casseroles that you can use later on. This will help you save time and effort in your day to day and means you'll have comfort food ready and waiting in the freezer for those busy workdays or lazy weekends.

5 BE READY WITH HOMEWORK HELP. Whether your kids are learning virtually, in person or a combination of the two, chances are they'll need help with their homework at some point. Easily accessible and user-friendly, online data tools from Statistics Canada are great resources. You'll find insights from the 2021 census that can be useful for many core subject areas, including geography, math, history and language. It's also a great way to help your kids learn about their community and Canada.

Find more information at statcan.gc.ca/census.

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(NC) Moving to a new place involves lots of changes, and it can take time to get used to your new surroundings, including new people, shops, parks and more. But living somewhere new is also an opportunity to explore and build community with your neighbours and in local spaces. Here are some tips to discover your area:

1 CHECK OUT LOCAL EVENTS. While indoor events may be on pause or restricted on and off during the pandemic, communities are still trying to keep outdoor and online events running and accessible. So, join a local online crafting event or virtual trivia games night. Head to an open-air farmers' market or even go to your local outdoor skating rink to get a feel for your neighbourhood. Your public library's website is a good place to find upcoming events.

2 SPEND MORE TIME OUTSIDE. If you're trying to meet people, it can be hard finding the right way to start a conversation. But if you take a long walk through your neighbourhood or take your pup to a nearby dog park, casual chats are more likely to happen naturally. You might compliment someone's outdoor entry arrangement or speak about the weather to a passerby.

3 TAKE A STROLL ALONG MAIN STREET. A great way to get to know your new community is by connecting with small businesses serving the area. Pick up some flowers or plants from your local florist, grab some takeout from the neighbourhood pub and buy some books from your local bookshop. Chat with the folks who work there to get recommendations and build connections.

4 GET ACTIVE IN PUBLIC SPACES. Whether it's a community garden, your local library or a neighbourhood park, find something that interests you and get involved. You can volunteer for a park cleanup, join a virtual book club or begin to plan out your own veggie patch in a community garden while learning about your area.

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5 GET TO KNOW YOUR COMMUNITY THROUGH CENSUS DATA. The 2021 Canadian census data are being released all throughout this year, and it's a great way to find out more about your city, town, or neighbourhood. Use them to discover what languages are commonly spoken in your area, how many families have kids of similar ages as your own and more. By being more informed about your area, you can help drive informed decisions by leveraging your community leaders to consider whether a new school or retirement home is a valuable addition to your neighbourhood.

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Hedge against inflation with these 3 real estate investment types

The annual inflation rate in Canada is currently around 5.1%—the highest it's been in 30 years.¹ It doesn't matter if you're a cashier, lawyer, plumber, or retiree; if you spend Canadian dollars, inflation impacts you.

Economists expect the effects of inflation, like a higher cost of goods, to continue.² Luckily, an investment in real estate can ease some of the financial strain.

Here's what you need to know about inflation, how it impacts you, and how an investment in real estate can help.

WHAT IS INFLATION AND HOW DOES IT IMPACT ME?

Inflation is a decline in the value of money. When the rate of inflation rises, prices for goods and services go up. Therefore, a dollar buys you a little bit less with every passing day.

The consumer price index, or CPI, is a standard measure of inflation. Based on the latest CPI data, prices increased 5.1% from January 2021 to January 2022. In comparison, the CPI increased 1.0% from January 2020 to January 2021.³

How does inflation affect your life? Here are a few of the negative impacts:

• Decreased Purchasing Power

We touched on this already, but as prices rise, your dollar won't stretch as far as it used to. That means you'll be able to purchase fewer goods and services with a limited budget.

• Increased Borrowing Costs

In an effort to curb inflation, the Bank of Canada is expected to raise interest rates.⁴ Therefore, consumers are likely to pay more to borrow money for things like mortgages and credit cards.

• Lower Standard of Living

Wage growth tends to lag behind price increases. Even as labour shortages persist in Canada—which would typically trigger pay raises—wages are not increasing at the same pace of inflation.⁵ As such, life is becoming less affordable for everyone. For example, inflation can force those on a fixed income, like retirees, to make lifestyle changes and prioritize essentials.

• Eroded Savings

If you store all your savings in a bank account, inflation is even more damaging. As of February, the national average deposit interest rate for a savings account was around 0.067%, not nearly enough to keep up with inflation.⁶

One of the best ways to mitigate these effects is to find a place to invest your money other than the bank. Even though interest rates are expected to rise, they're unlikely to get high enough to beat inflation. If you hoard cash, the value of your money

will decrease every year and more rapidly in years with elevated inflation.

REAL ESTATE: A PROVEN HEDGE AGAINST INFLATION

So where is a good place to invest your money to protect (hedge) against the impacts of inflation? There are several investment vehicles that financial advisors traditionally recommend, including:

• Stocks

Some people invest in stocks as their primary inflation hedge. However, the stock market can become volatile during inflationary times, as we've seen in recent months.⁷

• Commodities

Commodities are tangible assets, like gold, oil, and livestock. The theory is that the price of commodities should climb alongside inflation. But studies show that this correlation doesn't always occur.⁸

• Inflation-Protected Bonds

Real Return Bonds (RRBs) are inflation-protected bonds issued by the Canadian government that are indexed to the inflation rate. Bonds are considered low risk, but returns have not been rising at the same rate of inflation, making them suboptimal investments.⁹

• Real Estate

Real estate prices across the board tend to rise along with inflation, which is why so much Canadian capital is flowing into real estate right now.¹⁰

We believe real estate is the best hedge against inflation. Owning real estate does more than protect your wealth—it can actually make you money. For example, home prices rose 20% from 2021 to 2022, nearly 15% ahead of the 5.1% inflation that occurred in the same timeframe.¹¹

Plus, certain types of real estate investments can help you generate a stream of passive income. In the past year, property owners didn't just avoid the erosion of purchasing power caused by inflation; they got ahead.

TYPES OF REAL ESTATE INVESTMENTS

Though there are a myriad of ways to invest in real estate, there are three basic investment types that we recommend for beginner and intermediate investors. Remember that we can help you determine which options are best for your financial goals and budget.

• Primary Residence

If you own your home, you're already ahead. The advantages of homeownership become even more apparent in inflationary times. As inflation raises prices throughout the economy, the value of your home is likely to go up concurrently.

If you don't already own your primary residence,

homeownership is a worthwhile goal to pursue.

Though the task of saving enough for a down payment may seem daunting, there are several strategies that can make homeownership easier to achieve. If you're not sure how to get started with the home buying process, contact us. Our team can help you find the strategy and property that fits your needs and budget.

Whether you already own a primary residence or are still renting, now is a good time to also start thinking about an investment property. The types of investment properties you'll buy as a solo investor generally fall into two categories: long-term rentals and short-term rentals.

• Long-Term (Traditional) Rentals

A long-term or traditional rental is a dwelling that's leased out for an extended period. An example of this is a single-family home where a tenant signs a one-year lease and brings all their own furniture.

Long-term rentals are a form of housing. For most tenants, the rental serves as their primary residence, which means it's a necessary expense. This unique quality of long-term rentals can help to provide stable returns in uncertain times, especially when we have high inflation.

To invest in a long-term rental, you'll need to budget for maintenance, repairs, property taxes, and insurance. You'll also need to have a plan for managing the property. But a well-chosen investment property should pay for itself through rental income, and you'll benefit from appreciation as the property rises in value.

We can help you find an ideal long-term rental property to suit your budget and investment goals. Reach out to talk about your needs and our local market opportunities.

• Short-Term (Vacation) Rentals

Short-term or vacation rentals function more like hotels in that they offer temporary accommodations. A short-term rental is defined as a residential dwelling that is rented for 30 days or less. The furniture and other amenities are provided by the property owner, and today many short-term rentals are listed on websites like Airbnb and Vrbo.

A short-term rental can potentially earn you a higher return than a long-term rental, but this comes at the cost of daily, hands-on management. With a short-term rental, you're not just entering the real estate business; you're entering the hospitality business, too.

Done right, short-term rentals can be both a hedge against inflation and a profitable source of income. As a bonus, when the home isn't being rented you have an affordable vacation spot for yourself and your family!

Contact us today if you're interested in exploring options in either the long-term or short-term rental market.

Since mortgage rates are expected to rise, you'll want to act fast to maximize your investment return.

WE'RE INVESTED IN HELPING YOU

Inflation is a fact of life in the Canadian economy. Luckily, you can prepare for inflation with a carefully managed investment portfolio that includes real estate. Owning a primary residence or investing in a short-term or long-term rental will help you both mitigate the effects of inflation and grow your net worth, which makes it a strategic move in our current financial environment.

If you're ready to invest in real estate to build wealth and protect yourself from rising inflation, contact us. Our team can help you find a primary residence or investment property that meets your financial goals.

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(NC) Looking for design inspiration that doesn't sacrifice on comfort? Take inspiration from Hygge – the Danish feeling or atmosphere of warmth, relaxation and connection to bring a stylish sense of harmony to your home.

To help you achieve the look in your space, Sharon Grech, Benjamin Moore colour and design expert, shares her top three tips.

HYGGE YOUR HOME.

Pronounced hue-guh, hygge is any place that's cozy, comfortable and welcoming. This makes it an ideal esthetic choice for family homes or anywhere you want to get snug. However, the concept is also a celebration of Scandinavian design, and embraces a simple, uncluttered and functional approach to living.

"Hygge is about comfort, but not about clutter," explains Grech. "To create a streamlined but cozy space, choose furniture with concealed storage and opt for pieces with clean modern lines for a Scandi-chic feel."

INVITING LAYERS.

A warm atmosphere is a hallmark of the style. From sitting surrounded by candlelight or next to a blazing fire with friends, creating a backdrop for peaceful moments will help you embrace hygge.

"Add warmth to any room with soft lighting, textiles and natural materials such as wood and wicker," suggests Grech. These elements invite you to linger and get comfortable.

LOOK TO THE SKIES.

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