

Item 12.1 on September 11, 2023 Council Meeting

Council motion provided seven (7) days in advance and listed on the agenda. Members of the public shall be permitted to speak on a motion for which notice have been given.

Motion from Councillor Asselstine re "Heritage Conservation District Plan for Schomberg"

Moved by Councillor Asselstine
Seconded by Councillor Schaefer

"WHEREAS there are 22 listed heritage properties, and a minimum of 52 properties on the Built Heritage Inventory, located within the Village of Schomberg along Main Street and Church Street, in and adjacent to the Village Core;

AND WHEREAS it is in the interest of the residents of Schomberg and the Township, to protect these cultural heritage resources to the greatest extent possible for future generations as they reflect the unique character and identity of the Village Core and adjacent areas;

AND WHEREAS these cultural heritage resources enrich our traditions, contribute to quality of life and create a sense of place in Schomberg;

AND WHEREAS these cultural heritage resources are a limited resource, and once the resource is depleted, it cannot be recovered;

AND WHEREAS the unique character and identity of the Village Core contributes to a unique opportunity and environment for business, residents and tourists;

AND WHEREAS the Village Core is the focus of many different community events and activities that showcase the unique character and identity of Schomberg to local residents and tourists;

AND WHEREAS these community events draw benefit from the unique character and identity of the Village Core;

AND WHEREAS the Our King Official Plan states that it is the policy of Council to consider establishing Heritage Conservation Districts in the Township's Villages and Hamlets subject to the completion of Heritage Conservation Districts Studies and Plans in accordance with the policies of the Official Plan and the process outlined in Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Township of King Council request Planning Division Staff to prepare a report to review the benefits and feasibility to undertake the preparation of a Heritage Conservation District Plan (HCD) for Schomberg focusing on the area in and adjacent to the Village Core;

THAT said Report is to review the estimated costs and timing, including Staff resources required and/or impacts on current service levels and project schedules, if a Schomberg HCD were to be undertaken; and

THAT Staff report back to Council by October 30th, 2023 so that Council can decide whether a Schomberg Heritage Conservation District project should be considered as part of the 2024 budget process."