Motion Tabled For Council October 16, 2023

Moved by Councillor Eek Seconded by Councillor Anstey

"WHEREAS the Lake Simcoe Protection Act, 2008, which received unanimous support in the Ontario Legislature in 2008, outlines a variety of measures to protect the Lake Simcoe watershed, including reducing phosphorous loading to the lake; and

WHEREAS the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan promotes an adaptive management framework; and

WHEREAS significant change has occurred in the watershed since the original phosphorus loading target of 44 tonnes per year was established that should influence management strategy, such as the type and extent of invasive species as well as climatic changes in precipitation, streamflow and ice cover;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Council for the Township of King requests that the Province of Ontario updates the Lake Simcoe Phosphorus Reduction Strategy including revising the phosphorus target and adding other management objectives as necessary; and
- That the Province of Ontario develops and funds implementation of a time-bound action plan to achieve the revised Lake Simcoe Phosphorus Reduction Strategy with a target date of 2030; and
- That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Hon. Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; all Lake Simcoe watershed Members of Parliament; all Lake Simcoe watershed Members of Provincial Parliament; all Lake Simcoe watershed municipalities; and the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority".