

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

REPORT NO. DS-2022-0070

**FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF
COUNCIL**

August 10, 2022

**SUBJECT: Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan Project Schedule:
Beach Associations. File No. 05-268**

1. RECOMMENDATION:

1. That Council receive Report No. DS-2022-0070 prepared by the Planning Policy Division, Development Services Department, dated August 10, 2022, respecting a Project Schedule for implementation of policy step #12 in the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan for beach associations; and,
2. That Staff report back in Q1 of 2023 with a Project Schedule and any budgetary needs respecting the implementation of operational and policy steps in the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan for beach associations.

2. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to provide information to Council on the Project Schedule for implementation of the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan (“Action Plan”) as it relates to beach associations.

3. BACKGROUND:

In July 2017, Council approved the Lake Drive Jurisdiction Action Plan (Attachment 1). The Action Plan includes a 14 step process intended to ‘clear up’ title on the Town’s road allowance lands along Lake Drive East and North. The 14 steps of the Action Plan primarily relate to residential indirect waterfront property owners, however, policy Step #12 is specific to beach associations:

“Town to establish a policy as to how it will deal with situations in which Cottage Associations with numerous members wish to make use of one lot and situations in which two persons wish to make use of one lot (i.e. can more than one person and can an association be an EPO for the purpose of obtaining an interest in one lot?)”

On March 30, 2022, following a Council closed session, Town Council passed Resolution No. C-2022-0108 (Attachment 2) to move forward implementation of the Action Plan after a nearly 3 year hiatus which was due in part to legal issues and the pandemic. Direction from the resolution is summarized below:

1. Authority was delegated to the CAO to retain and/or allocate dedicated personnel and resources to advance implementation of the Lake Drive Jurisdiction Action Plan, excluding beach associations;
2. Staff to report back to Council by June 22, 2022 with a report outlining the price, including land costs and actual cost recovery, the Town would consider for the divestiture of road allowance lands within the Action Plan; and,
3. Staff to report back to Council by August 10, 2022 with two reports outlining a schedule to implement the operational and policy steps in the Action Plan; one report for residential indirect waterfront properties and one report for beach associations.

As per Council's resolution on March 30, 2022, Staff presented a report to Council on June 22, 2022 relating to costing for the divestiture of surplus Town road allowance lands within the Action Plan.

As per Council's resolution on March 30, 2022, this report provides Council with information on the schedule to implement the operational and policy steps in the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan for beach associations. A separate report, Report No. DS-2022-0069, provides Council with information on the schedule to implement the operational and policy steps in the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan for residential indirect waterfront properties and provides for an updated definition of "lakeside lands".

4. ANALYSIS:

More information is needed on Beach Associations in the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan

There are a number of beach associations located within the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan. Most of these beach associations are either located on privately owned lands or on Town owned road allowance lands such as a road end or other road allowance lands located near the shoreline.

The Town is only interested in beach associations that are on Town owned lands. The Action Plan provides that the Town establish a policy on how to deal with situations where numerous members of a beach association wish to make use of a lot or circumstances where two persons wish to make use of one lot. A determination must also be made as to whether a beach association is considered an Eligible Property Owner (EPO) for the purpose of obtaining an interest in one lot.

More information on beach associations within the Action Plan is needed prior to developing a Project Schedule for implementation of policy step #12 of the Action Plan. Accordingly, Staff will conduct research to obtain information such as:

- Number of beach associations within the Action Plan including contact information;
- Location of beach associations within the Action Plan and whether they are on private lands or Town owned lands; and,
- Number of beach associations that are legal entities/legally registered.

A Project Schedule for implementation of policy step #12 in the Action Plan will be prepared once more information on beach associations is available. Also, with the additional information Staff can advise on budget needs for implementation of the Action Plan for beach associations. Staff anticipate completing the research and reporting back to Council on the Project Schedule and any budgetary needs no later than Q1 2023.

5. RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

The following is one of 39 actions in the current 2019-2023 Corporate Strategic Plan under the Deliver Exceptional Service pillar:

- Continue collaborative efforts to address jurisdiction along Lake Drive

6. FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY IMPACT:

There is no approved budget for implementation of the Action Plan for beach associations. Staff will report back to Council by Q1 2023 with any budget requests.

7. PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS:

There are no legislated notice requirements associated with this report. However, a notice was mailed out to property owners within the Action Plan to provide an update on the Project and to advise of this report to Council.

8. CONCLUSION:

A Project Schedule for implementation of policy step #12 in the Action Plan will be prepared once more information on beach associations is gathered. Staff anticipate completing the research and reporting back to Council on the Project Schedule and any budgetary needs no later than Q1 2023.

APPROVALS

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Attachments:

Attachment 1: Lake Drive Jurisdiction Action Plan

Attachment 2: March 30 Council resolution (Resolution No. C-2022-0108 and C-2022-0109)