THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

REPORT NO. LS-2024-0017

FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL

October 9, 2024

SUBJECT: 2025 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

1. RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. That Council receive Report No. LS-2024-0017 prepared by the Clerk's Division, Legislative Services Department dated October 9, 2024, respecting the 2025 Council meeting schedule.
- 2. That Council approve the attached Council Meeting Schedule for 2025.

2. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval with respect to the proposed Council meeting schedule for 2025.

3. BACKGROUND:

Section 8(6) of the Town of Georgina Procedure Bylaw No. 2022-0099 (COU-2) mandates that Council set the schedule of meetings for the following year by November. Only one meeting a month shall be held in July and August. In addition, no meetings shall occur during the week following a long weekend, during the second and third weeks of March, or during the last 2 weeks of December.

4. ANALYSIS:

Staff recommend that Council approve the attached proposed Council Meeting Schedule (Attachment No. 1) for 2025 in order to provide advance notice and to permit scheduling of statutory public meetings by the Development Services Department.

Section 8(6) of the Town of Georgina Procedure Bylaw No. 2022-0099 (COU-2) prescribes specific days and times Council meetings shall be scheduled. Staff have continued the same format used in 2024 for the proposed 2025 Council Schedule, maintaining two daytime meetings and one evening meeting for Planning matters per month wherever possible. During July and August, one regular daytime Council meeting has been scheduled each month.

No meetings have been scheduled in the week following a long weekend. Dates have been included in December for 2025 budget deliberations.

5. RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

Delivering service excellence

The approval of the 2025 proposed Council meeting schedule at this time ensures exceptional service excellence and engagement with our community.

6. FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY IMPACT:

There are no financial or budgetary impacts as a result of Council determining a 2025 meeting schedule.

7. PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS:

Council's determination of an appropriate 2025 schedule is influenced by the need to comply with the Town's Procedure Bylaw. Upon the establishment of the 2025 Council Meeting Schedule, it will be published on the Town's website and individual meetings will continue to be advertised.

8. CONCLUSION:

In order to provide advance notice and comply with Town bylaws and Provincial legislation with respect to statutory public meetings, staff recommend that Council approve the attached proposed Council Meeting Schedule for 2025.

APPROVALS

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Town Clerk

Recommended By: Michael Bigioni

Director of Legislative Services

Approved By: Ryan Cronsberry

Chief Administrative Officer

Attachments:

Attachment No. 1 – Proposed 2025 Council Meeting Schedule