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Subject: 2026 Town of Georgina Budget Process

To: Mayor and Council

From: Rob Wheeler, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer / Treasurer

Date: April 16, 2025

Briefing:

Background

On October 31, 2023, the strong mayor powers under Bill 3, Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022, were extended to the Town of Georgina. The bill extends the Mayor special powers and duties including, among others, the power to propose the municipality's annual budget, subject to Council amendments, a mayoral veto, and a Council override process as defined under O. Reg. 530/22. These powers cannot be delegated.

2026 Budget Process

The detailed budget approval process is described in Attachment 1 to this note.

The 2026 budget process will follow the process defined under O. Reg. 530/22. Municipal employees will assist in preparing the mayoral budget under the mayoral direction as described in Attachment 2.

The Mayor will present a proposed 2026 Town Budget to Council and the Clerk on November 5, 2025. Council will have 30 days to pass any resolutions to amend the proposed budget. If amendments are presented, the Mayor will have an opportunity to accept or veto the amendments. If no amendments are presented, the Mayor's proposed budget will be deemed adopted. The budget deliberations by Council are scheduled on December 2 and 3, 2025 (within 30 days).

Attachment 1: Strong Mayors Powers Budget Scenarios

Attachment 2: Mayoral Direction