

TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL  
DISCUSSION ITEM

**Committee:** Committee of the Whole – Community Development

**Date:** November 6, 2023

**Department:** Community Development

**Topic:** Baseload Battery Energy Storage Project Request for Municipal Support

**Background:** Ventnor Energy Storage LP (Baseload Power) is proposing battery energy storage project on Ventnor Road, in response to a request for proposals by the IESO. As part of their submission to the IESO, Baseload requests a resolution of municipal support from Council.

Baseload shared their proposal with the Committee of the Whole – Admin and Operations through a delegation on October 10<sup>th</sup> and held a Public Community Meeting on November 1<sup>st</sup> in the South Edwardsburgh Community Centre. The proponent makes a delegation at this November CoW-CD meeting to share feedback received from public to date.

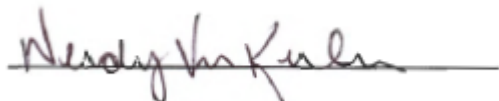
Municipal Council support is required for the approval of projects proposed on sites that are located within their boundaries. The proponent can submit an RFP without a resolution; however, it may affect the proposal scoring when reviewed by the IESO, and the proponent may be required to submit a resolution of support at a future date.

Council's support, at this stage, would not indicate their approval of any other Planning process with the municipality.

Should Committee choose to recommend that Council support the development, construction, and operation of the Ventnor Energy Storage Project, a draft resolution is attached, which includes the wording required by the IESO.

See also:

- Prescribed Form – Evidence of Municipal Support (from the IESO)
- Letter from the Minister of Energy to the IESO, December 2022



Community Development Coordinator