

TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL ACTION ITEM

Committee: Committee of the Whole – Public Works, Environmental Services & Facilities

Date: September 20, 2021

Department: Administration

Topic: OPG Waterfront Licence Renewal

Purpose: To recommend execution of the waterfront licence renewal with Ontario Power Generation

Background: The Township requires access to the St. Lawrence River across lands owned by Ontario Power Generation in two locations, one along Galop Canal Park and the other in the Sawmill Creek Subdivision (east of Cardinal).

OPG requires licence agreements for the Township to access these lands. The current agreement expired on September 7, 2021. In previous terms OPG has required licence agreements, however, OPG is taking a new approach for 2021 and utilizing renewal letters. The renewal letter extends the term of the September 2016-2021 agreement for an additional 5 years, commencing on September 8, 2021 and ending on September 8, 2026.

Despite being in communication with OPG prior to the September 7, 2021 expiry date, the renewal letter was received in the mail after the current agreement expired. Staff have advised OPG of the mail delay and OPG has extended the deadline for execution of the renewal until the end of September 2021, in order for authorization to be provided by Council.

Policy Implications: Previous licence agreements with OPG have been authorized by bylaw in 2011 and 2016. As a result of OPG not issuing full new licence agreements, a Council resolution authorizing the Mayor and staff to execute the renewal letter is required.

Financial Considerations: None.

Recommendation: That Committee recommends that Council authorize the Mayor and staff to execute the Waterfront Licence Renewal with Ontario Power Generation.

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