THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA

REPORT NO. CAO-2017-0006

FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL August 9, 2017

SUBJECT: LAKE DRIVE SHORELINE JURISDICTION ACTION PLAN POLICY STEP 1

1. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. That Council receive Report No. CAO-2017-0006 prepared by the Office of the CAO dated August 9, 2017 respecting the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan Policy Step 1;
- 2. That as per Action Plan Policy Step 1, Council direct pursuit of the potential divestiture of the lakeside lands;
- 3. That staff be directed to commence the additional steps outlined in the Action Plan dated July 19, 2017.

2. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council direction with respect to Policy Step 1 of the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan (Attachment 1) as outlined in Report CAO-2017-0004.

3. BACKGROUND:

On July 19, 2017 Council received Report CAO-2017-0004 which outlined the Action Plan recommended to process the proposed Policies A and B as submitted by the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Ad Hoc Committee.

Council endorsed the Action Plan and directed that staff report back on August 9, 2017 with respect to Action Plan Policy Step 1.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS:

Policy Step 1 of the Action Plan contemplates whether Council wish to direct that further policy and operational steps be undertaken as outlined in the Action Plan.

To make informed decisions surrounding divestiture of the lakeside lands it is staff's opinion that the steps in the Action Plan continue to be followed.

5. RELATIONSHIP TO CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN:

This report addresses the following strategic goal:

Goal 4; Provide Exceptional Municipal Services "Organizational and Operational Excellence"

Action 4.15: Continue the collaborative efforts for resolution of Lake Drive shoreline jurisdiction issues.

6. FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY IMPACT:

None.

7. PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS:

There are no public consultation or notice requirements associated with this report.

8. CONCLUSION:

In support of Strategic Plan Action Item 4.15 staff recommend moving forward with the policy and operational steps outlined in the Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan.

Recommended & Approved by:

Winanne Grant, B.A., AMCT, CEMC Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment 1 – Lake Drive Shoreline Jurisdiction Action Plan

POLICY STEP

1. Whether Council wishes to pursue the potential divestiture of the lakeside lands**

If NO, end of analysis related to divestiture. Town Council should then consider:

- whether to establish a Town policy to make it clear what use(s) the Town will permit on its lakeside lands; how the Town will address title disputes related to the lakeside lands and how to address issues related to potential Town liability
- whether to offer encroachment agreements to land owners along Lake Drive

If YES, Town Council should then consider:

- whether the sale or lease of the land is a responsible step for the Town to take when considering the interests of the Town as a whole
- whether the Town may require the lakeside land given potential changes to the lake with climate change (eg. note the increased lake level this year)



OPERATIONAL STEP

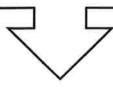
Receive report on the Legislative/Legal matters to be addressed to proceed with sale or lease of the lakeside lands

OPERATIONAL STEP

3. Establish Public Consultation process to receive public input related to potential sale or lease of the lakeside lands

POLICY STEP

- 4. Determine whether the divestiture will be based upon concept of profit for the Town, cost recovery only, or expense to the Town. Examine costs incurred to date as part of the assessment. Determine:
 - whether to offer the lands for sale or for lease, or both
 - whether the yet to be created lots will be sold only to Eligible Property Owners (EPOs)**
 - other matters that may arise



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POLICY STEP

5. Town must determine the extent of the lands along Lake Drive to potentially be divested.

OPERATIONAL STEP

 Town to send out Notices to all EPOs (or others as determined by Council) to determine which EPOs are interested in obtaining legal interest in lakeside lots. Possibly collect money from EPOs (or others as determined by Council) for purpose of creating R-Plan

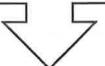


If insufficient response from EPOs, Town to decide whether to end process; if decision is to conclude process, Town takes no further steps, except as identified in response to NO in Policy Step 1

If sufficient numbers of EPOs (or others as determined by Council) declare an interest in obtaining a legal interest in a lakeside lot, Town to prepare an RFP to retain qualified Surveyor(s) to create lakeside lots**

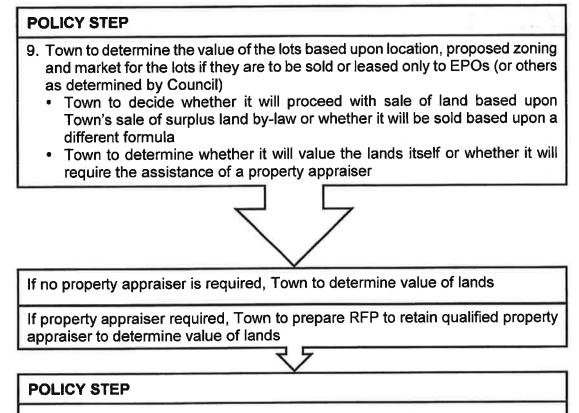
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- 7. Town to award contract to Surveyor(s) to create the lakeside lots and have R-Plan registered
 - Town should identify any lots that already legally exist on the lakeside while creating new lots via R-Plan
 - Town should address any disputes concerning title to lakeside lands that may arise as a result of title searches conducted during R-Plan creation



POLICY STEP

- 8. Town may decide to receive public input regarding Zoning By-law restrictions that may apply to all lakeside lots. Thereafter, the Town to prepare and give Notice of Zoning By-law which will apply to all lakeside lots (whether Town-owned or currently existing and owned by a different entity) in accordance with the *Planning Act*
 - · Town to receive comments on the Zoning By-law at a Public meeting



- 10. Town to pass Zoning By-law to restrict the use of the lakeside lands / lakeside lots to uses deemed appropriate by the Town
 - Town to respond to any appeals brought against the Zoning By-law

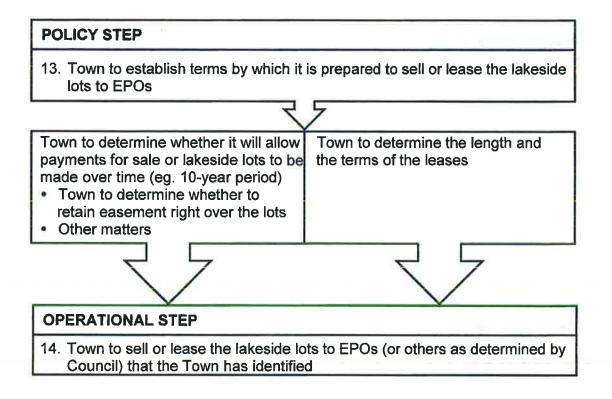
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11. Town to establish a policy as to what access, if any, and use, if any, the Town will permit upon lakeside lands that remain with the Town (i.e. lands that have not been sold or leased)

POLICY STEP

12. 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?)





**Definitions for the Purpose of the above Flow Chart

"Lakeside lands" means the lands from the shoreline to the travelled portion of the road allowance.

"Eligible Property Owner" means primarily the owners of property across the travelled portion of Lake Drive road allowance from the lakeside lot.

"Lakeside lots" means lots created upon the Lakeside lands.

*This Flow Chart is to be read as an overview of basic steps that should be undertaken. It is not an exhaustive list of each step that could or should necessarily be taken. Removing certain steps or adding additional steps may be necessary depending upon decisions made by Council and steps taken by third parties.

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PROCESS TO DEAL WITH LANDOWNERS IF TOWN DECIDES TO DIVEST ITSELF OF LAKESIDE LANDS

- 1. Letter to be sent to all Eligible Property Owners to ask that they declare if they wish to buy or lease Town-owned lakeside land and, if YES, ask that they provide money to pay for the creation of an R-Plan
- 2. Town to retain a Surveyor to prepare an R-Plan to create lots [Question as to whether the Town will create lots only for Eligible Property Owners who declare an interest or for all lands along Lake Drive]
- 3. Town to pass by-law declaring the created lots as surplus lands
- Town to offer the surplus lands to Eligible Property Owners for sale or for lease*
- 5. Town to sell or lease lots to Eligible Property Owners based upon terms as set out by Town Council

*See separate flow chart of matters to be addressed by Town Council