

In accordance with the notice and submission deadline requirements of Sections 18.1 (a) and 11.3, respectively, of Niagara Region's Procedural By-law, the Regional Clerk received from Councillor Zalepa a motion to be brought forward for consideration at the January 21, 2021 Council meeting respecting Shared Service Delivery.

WHEREAS the Region contracted KPMG to conduct a sustainability review which was completed and presented to Council in 2019;

WHEREAS the sustainability review identified a potential savings between \$1.8 - \$7.1 million dollars through an opportunity for "Integration of Service with Local Area Municipalities";

WHEREAS Regional Council has a responsibility to explore all opportunities to utilize public tax dollars in a manner that is as efficient and effective as possible; And service delivery review affords an opportunity to improve service levels while ensuring that municipalities are efficiently employing their resources while respecting local autonomy;

WHEREAS Niagara's municipal CAO's have had preliminary meetings to discuss potential shared service delivery opportunities;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That Regional Council **ADOPT** an exploration of shared service delivery as a Council commitment and priority for the remainder of the term;

2. That Regional Council **REQUEST**:

a) a summary report from the Chief Administrative Officer providing an update on shared service delivery discussions, progress to date and areas identified for further exploration;

b) a draft timeline to engage municipal partners and discussion topics for further exploration on shared service opportunities; and

3) these items be included on the March agenda of Regional Council for discussion.