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From: Jenn Burnett, Senior Planner

Subject: NEP Amendment UA 59, Wiarton Airport

Report: PL.2022.04

Recommendation

Whereas the Township of Georgian Bluffs sold the Wiarton Keppel International Airport to private ownership; and

Whereas said sale closed on December 21, 2021;

Now Therefore, the Senior Planner is hereby directed to submit a formal withdrawal of the Niagara Escarpment Plan (NEP) Amendment UA 59, Wiarton Airport application to the Niagara Escarpment Commission.(NEC), as the Township is no longer the owner of the Wiarton Keppel International Airport.

Background

As directed by Council Motion 130-2015, an application to amend the Niagara Escarpment Plan (NEP) to extend the Wiarton urban boundary to include the Wiarton-Keppel Airport was submitted to the Niagara Escarpment Commission on May 28, 2015. On October 31, 2016 the Township amended its application to request that the area within the Wiarton-Keppel International Airport designated as “Escarpment Protection Area” be changed to “Escarpment Urban Area”. The total size of the amended area was approximately 31.58 hectares (78 acres) and represented the area where the terminal building and hangars are located. The intent of the application to extend the urban boundary to include the airport was to give the Township the ability to increase the permitted uses for that area of the airport lands.

The airport was sold in December 2021 and as the Township no longer has an interest in the lands, the urban boundary expansion request is redundant.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jenn Burnett, Senior Planner

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