

# STAFF REPORT

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COBOURG



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**Subject/Title:** Waterfront Working Group Wrap Up

## RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council receive the update regarding the Waterfront Working Group accomplishments for information purposes.

## 1. STRATEGIC PLAN

People – The Town supports and cares for the social and well-being of its citizens

Places – The Town protects, preserves, and promotes its natural assets, heritage, arts, culture, and tourism.

## 2. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

This report is the result of a very thorough public consultation and review process, engaging several departments and committees.

## 3. PURPOSE

This report provides closure to the Waterfront Working Group's mandate and provides a summary of all actions already accomplished and those still in progress.

## 4. ORIGIN AND LEGISLATION

During the Cobourg Town Council meeting of July 26, 2022, the following resolution was adopted:

**Motion from the Committee of the Whole regarding the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee's Review of Victoria Park Beach.**

- **Resolution 316-21**

**Moved by** Councillor Emily Chorley

**Seconded by** Councillor Nicole Beatty

WHEREAS at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on July 19, 2021, Council considered a Memo from the Deputy Director of Community Services regarding the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee's Review of Victoria Park Beach;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council endorse the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee's recommendations as outlined in the Staff Report; and

FURTHER THAT an internal Working Group be established – including a cross-section of staff with expertise regarding parks, communications, events, parking, legislative services, by-law enforcement, emergency planning/response, economic development and with Council representation – to enhance collaboration in the management of the waterfront, including Victoria Park Beach, the Cobourg Harbour and the West Beach; and

FURTHER THAT this report be shared with the Working Group and all relevant departments to review, implement, and to provide any recommendations to the 2022 budget process.

**Carried**

The Community Services division provided administrative support to the Waterfront Working Group. Going forward each Director will carry out and report on any remaining action items as per the "Outcomes" column noted in the attached table.

## **5. BACKGROUND**

In July 2021, Council supported the formation of a Waterfront Working Group. This working group included Councillors Darling and Chorley as well as relevant internal staff. This committee reviewed and processed twenty-nine recommendations from the waterfront public engagement early 2021 as led by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC). Items requiring budget submissions were included by Directors during the 2022 budget process. The

updated recommendations table was reviewed and accepted in principle by the PRAC on April 5, 2022.

## **6. ANALYSIS**

The feedback collected through this public consultation was significant and complex. All information was reviewed, with themes and solutions identified by the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee and the Waterfront Working Group.

## **7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/BUDGET IMPACTS**

Any financial impacts from the Waterfront Working Group were included in the 2022 budget process. Any remaining items may yet be included in following years.

## **8. CONCLUSION**

The Waterfront Working Group has fulfilled its mandate and completed its work. Any remaining action items will be reviewed and/or completed by the relevant Division.

## Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

**No Signature - Task assigned to Tracey Vaughan, Chief Administrative Officer was completed by delegate Ian Davey, Treasurer / Director of Corporate Services**

**Tracey Vaughan, Chief Administrative Officer - Apr 28, 2022 - 9:30 AM**