Southgate Council–Staff Visioning Session

Department: <u>Economic Development & Industrial Park</u>

February 12, 2020

Development Charges By-law – Ec.Dev. & Industrial Park Planned Projects

Economic Development and Industrial Projects are not eligible for the collection of Development Charges.

Reserves & Reserve Funds

Reserve - ED - Downtown Facades	\$ 18,000.0

Reserve - ED - Industrial Land \$841,422.35

Reserve - ED - Horse & Buggy Trail \$ 4,500.00

Reserve - ED - Signage \$ 24,568.26

Reserve - ED - Downtown Parking \$ 10,000.00

Reserve - ED - Downtown Improvements \$ 0.00

Note:

I. Reserve numbers are as of the end of 2020.

Community Action Plan

Goal I - Attracting New and Supporting Existing Businesses and Farms

Action I: The residents and businesses of Southgate envision a growing and diverse local economy, which respects our agricultural background while also attracting new businesses and new employment opportunities in keeping with the renewed growth of our population.

Strategic Initiatives 1-A (2019-2023)

By 2023, together with existing businesses and other partners, the Township will have identified the types of new business opportunities that are likely to have emerged when Dundalk's 10-15 year growth has taken place and the Dundalk population approaches 4500 people. This business opportunity projection should project the likely demographic make-up of that future population and its likely work, travel, and shopping patterns. It should also identify possible municipal incentives that could facilitate the emergence of these future business opportunities.

>Southgate Economic Development will work with Southgate's Planner to develop a strategy (OP Review) and policies (CIP) to support new local business opportunities in Southgate to support employment & commerce.

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Strategic Initiatives 1-C (2019-2023)

By 2023, the Township will have entered into an appropriate agreement to sell its Hwy 10 frontage for the purposes of commercial development, and development will be underway.

> The Township will continue to develop the Hwy #10 property through Bypass Road & Servicing design & construction and then consider selling the property to a developer or market the lands with control through Township staff or a real estate sales representation.

Strategic Initiatives 1-D (2019-2023)

The Township will continue to encourage, facilitate and publicize business skills training programs in Southgate.

- >Southgate will work with the County of Grey Economic Development and Business Enterprise Centre to support local businesses.
- >Southgate will consider a RED funding application in 2020 to help fund and develop an Economic Development Strategic Plan.

Goal 2 - Revitalizing Downtown Dundalk

Action 2: The residents and businesses of Southgate envision our largest town once again becoming a source of community pride and a hotbed of community activity, with a much-improved appearance and a broader range of business opportunity.

Strategic Initiatives 2-F (2019-2023)

The Township will appoint and work with a Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee, involving community organizations, businesses, landlords and tenants, and other stakeholders.

>Township will appoint a Committee once the Community Improvement Plan is fully adopted.

Strategic Initiatives 2-G (2019-2023)

The Township will have installed prominent signage to direct visitors to downtown attractions and businesses.

>Township will continue to pay the Hwy #10 annual sign costs to MTO and look to other property sign options.

Strategic Initiatives 2-H (2019-2023)

The Township will support the renewal of the downtown murals.

> The Township will have to consider partnering with Business Owners to donate space and Community Groups and/or Southgate's Community Enhancement Funding to cover the costs of this initiative.

2020 - Capital Projects and Operation Plans

Downtown Improvements – General \$ 20,000

Downtown Improvements – Facade \$ 2,000

Sale of Eco Park Industrial Lands \$1,000,000

Hwy #10 Bypass-Design, Construction & Servicing See Roads Department

Economic Development Planning in 2020

- > Apply for RED Program funding to complete a Economic Development Strategic Plan.
- > Hire summer Student to inventory Business and Heritage Asset in Southgate.
- > Funded from \$50k in savings with the vacant EDO position.

2021 & 2022 – Planned Capital Projects and Operation Goals for Consideration

2021

Downtown Improvements – General	\$ 20,000
Downtown Improvements – Facade	\$ 2,000

2022

Downtown Improvements – General	\$ 20,000
Downtown Improvements – Facade	\$ 2,000

Considerations:

> Complete a land appraisal of Hwy #10 lands to acquire a listing sale price per acre for both the Highway Frontage Commercial properties, for the Eco Park Roadway Phase II and Hwy 10 collector road frontage lands.

2023 to 2029 Plan for New Infrastructure & Service Delivery that is a requirement based on Southgate's present Assessment Base

Annual Contribution

Downtown Improvements – General \$ 20,000

Downtown Improvements – Facade \$ 2,000

2020 to 2029 Plan for New Infrastructure & Service Delivery that is a requirement based on Southgate's on anticipated future Development Growth

Hwy #10 Industrial Park Land Sales

> 140 acres

2020 to 2029 Plan for New Infrastructure & Service Delivery that is a requirement based on future changes in Legislation, Community Demographics and/or Climate Change

Community Demographics

Inclusionary Research, Programs & Training to:

- I. Welcome new property owners to the community;
- 2. Community Group Volunteer Recruitment Fair event;
- 3. Work with local businesses to develop incentive programs to promote support local businesses; etc.

Questions & Comments