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To: Tony Prevedel
Chief Administrative Officer

March 30, 2015

From: Catherine Rose
Chief Planner

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Subject: Pickering Town Hall Meeting – 2015 Coordinated Review of Provincial Plans

What the City is Doing:

City Development staff is hosting a town hall meeting to allow the community and stakeholders an opportunity to provide comments on the Province's coordinated review of Ontario's land use plans: the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, the Greenbelt Plan, the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan, and the Niagara Escarpment Plan.

Where and When:

- **Meeting Date:** Monday, April 13, 2015
- **Time:** 7:30 pm, following the Planning and Development Committee meeting
- **Location:** Council Chambers

City's Meeting Format:

The meeting will consist of a short power point presentation by City staff, followed by a public comment period. Staff will record the comments and incorporate them into a report to be considered by Council in May 2015.

Notice of the town hall meeting has been given via the Community Page, the City's website and Twitter.

Provincial Meetings:

The Province will also be hosting Regional Town Hall Meetings across the Greater Toronto Region, from late March to late April 2015. The town hall meeting for Durham Region is scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2015 at the Ajax Community Centre. The meeting will include an open house from 6 pm – 7 pm, followed by the meeting from 7 pm – 9 pm.

Background:

On February 27, 2015, the ministries of Municipal Affairs and Housing and Natural Resources & Forestry, announced a coordinated review of Ontario's land use plans: the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, the Greenbelt Plan, the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan, and the Niagara Escarpment Plan. These plans govern land use planning in Ontario, and provide the long-term planning framework and direction on how to manage growth, protect agricultural lands, preserve the natural environment and support economic development within Ontario's Greater Golden Horseshoe.

The coordinated review will include two rounds of public consultation. During the first round, the Province is seeking input on certain key questions outlined in a discussion document "Our Region, Our Community, Our Home", to inform the Province's understanding of how the plans can better meet their individual and collective objectives. The discussion document can be accessed via the following link: pickering.ca/RCH. The 90-day public review and commenting period for the first round of consultation started on February 27, 2015. All comments received prior to May 28, 2015, will be considered as part of the decision-making process by the Province.

Any questions regarding the Pickering Town Hall meeting can be directed to Jeff Brooks, extension 2130, Déan Jacobs, extension 2953, or myself at extension 2038.



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