

Council Meeting Number 01-2021
Addendum
Tuesday, December 1, 2020

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of New Motion number 2.

New Motions

2. Moved by Councillor Osanic

Seconded by Councillor Neill

Whereas on November 5, 2020, the Province of Ontario introduced Bill 229, *Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act* (Budget Measures), which proposes amendments to the *Conservation Authorities Act* and the *Planning Act*; and

Whereas the City of Kingston falls under the jurisdiction of the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority; and

Whereas the City of Kingston strongly values and relies on the expertise provided by the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority to prevent and manage the impacts of natural hazards on a watershed basis and its role in environmental land use planning, conservation of natural heritage features and resources; water quality and quantity monitoring, conservation land management, provision of recreational programs, and public education; and

Whereas the changes proposed through Schedule 6 of Bill 229 could significantly affect conservation authorities' role in regulating development and their ability to fulfill their mandates;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Council of The Corporation of the City of Kingston strongly recommends that Schedule 6 of Bill 229 not be enacted in its present form and instead be withdrawn from Bill 229; and

That Council requests that the Province ensure that the current mandate of conservation authorities is maintained and enhanced; and

That this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of Finance, Members of Provincial Parliament in our jurisdiction, and the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority.