



Memo

TO: Mayor and Council

SUBJECT: Local Government Development Approvals Program

DATE: April 23, 2021

FROM: Chief Administrative Officer

BACKGROUND

The above program is intended to assist with the process of implementing best practices with respect to development approval requirements. From our viewpoint this would involve updating the Subdivision, Works and Services Bylaw and Development Approval Procedures Bylaw to meet current legislative requirements that provide support for effective and efficient internal approval processes.

The Program can contribute a maximum of 100% of the cost of eligible activities to a suggested maximum of \$500,000.

“Expectations of development have changed significantly over the past few decades. Affordable housing and climate mitigation (*and riparian areas regulations are now largely the purview of local governments*) are now regularly addressed in the development process, and there are expectations that development will also deliver public amenities.”

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

A council resolution supporting the application should read as follows:

that Council approve the submission of a grant application under the Local Government Development Approvals Program;

and that it further provides assurance that it would support all the proposed activities as proposed in the grant application and would commit to the overall proper fiscal management of the grant.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph A. Fernandez".

Joseph A. Fernandez