



Council Information Package

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Date: August 28, 2026

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Passing of Interim Control By-law 2026-129

Site location: Lands designated for employment land uses or Parkway Belt West, specifically known as Business Employment, Industrial and Business Commercial in the Livable Oakville Plan and the Employment District land use designation in the North Oakville East Secondary Plan.

Applicant: Town-initiated

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Interim Control By-law 2026-129 was passed by Council for the Town of Oakville on August 11, 2026, under section 38 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, to be in effect for a period of one year from the date of passing, being August 11, 2027.

The purpose of Interim Control By-law 2026-129 is to direct a study be undertaken for data centres, enterprise computing facilities, and similar high-intensity digital processing facilities within the Business Employment, Industrial and Business Commercial designations, and the Employment District designation including lands designated Parkway Belt West lands. Town Council directed that the study reviews the applicable Official Plan policies and Zoning By-law regulations and analyse appropriate regulations to mitigate potential adverse effects associated with these forms of development, including noise, vibration, emissions and land use compatibility.

Any appeals to this Interim Control By-law must be filed with the Town Clerk at 1225 Trafalgar Road, Oakville, ON L6H 0H3 within 50 days after the date of the passing of the by-law; must set out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection; and must be accompanied by the fee required by the Ontario Land Tribunal. A copy of the appeal form is available from the Ontario Land Tribunal website at <https://olt.gov.on.ca>.

Any person or public body who was given notice of the passing of the by-law may appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a notice of appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

The last day for filing a notice of appeal is October 1, 2026.

This notice was issued on August 21, 2026.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF OAKVILLE

BY-LAW NUMBER 2026-129

Being an Interim Control By-law to prohibit the use of land, buildings or structures for the purpose of new data centres and similar facilities, of The Corporation of the Town of Oakville under Section 38 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13, as amended

WHEREAS Section 38 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to pass an Interim Control By-law where the Council has directed that a review or study be undertaken in respect of land use planning policies in the municipality, or in any defined area or areas thereof;

WHEREAS Council received a staff memorandum from Planning & Development dated 4 August, 2026 regarding data centres in response to a Mayoral Directive;

WHEREAS on 10 August, 2026, Council passed a resolution directing that a study be undertaken for data centres, enterprise computing facilities, and similar high-intensity digital processing facilities within the Business Employment, Industrial and Business Commercial designations, and the Employment District designation, including lands designated Parkway Belt West lands;

WHEREAS Council directed that the study review the Official Plan policies and Zoning By-law regulations, and analyse such regulations appropriate to mitigate potential adverse effects of development relating to noise, vibration, emissions and land use compatibility;

WHEREAS Council has deemed it necessary and expedient to pass this Interim Control By-law to provide the Town with time to undertake the study referenced above;

COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

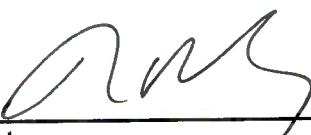
1. For the purposes of this By-law:
 - (a) "Council" shall mean the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Oakville;
 - (b) "Data Centre" means a networked computer server facility primarily used for the remote storage, processing and distribution of data, and

can encompass enterprise computing and similar high-intensity digital processing facilities.

- (c) "Interim Control Area" shall mean those lands, designated for employment land uses or Parkway Belt West, specifically known as Business Employment, Industrial and Business Commercial land use designations in the *Livable Oakville Official Plan*, and the Employment District land use designation in the *North Oakville East Secondary Plan*, including lands designated Parkway Belt West lands in both Official Plans, within Oakville, Ontario; and,
- (d) "Town" shall mean The Corporation of the Town of Oakville;

- 2. The provisions of this By-law shall only apply to the Interim Control Area.
- 3. Notwithstanding any other By-law to the contrary, no person shall, within the Interim Control Area use any land, building or structure including any expansion or addition to an existing use, building, or structure, for the purpose of a Data Centre, except for a Data Centre use that lawfully existed on the date of the passage of this By-law as long as it continues to be used for such purpose.
- 4. If any provision or requirement of this By-law or the application thereof to any person shall to any extent be held to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this By-law or the application of such provision or requirement to all persons other than those to which it is held to be invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected thereby, and each provision and requirement of this By-law shall be separately valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 5. This By-law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon its passing by Council and shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. local time on 11 August, 2027, unless otherwise extended in accordance with the provisions of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O., 1990, c.P.13, as amended.

PASSED this 11th day of August, 2026



Rob Burton Mayor



William Short Town Clerk



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August 17, 2026

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The Honourable Doug Ford
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Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

**Re: City of Port Colborne Support the Town of Wasaga Beach – Finlay's Law on
Emergency Room Reform**

Please be advised that, at its meeting of August 11, 2026, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne supported the resolution received from the Town of Wasaga Beach regarding Finlay's Law on Emergency Room Reform.

The correspondence is attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden
City Clerk

cc: The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health
The Honourable Marjorie Michel, Federal Minister of Health
Jeff Burch, MPP for Niagara Centre
Fred Davies, MP for Niagara South
The Association of the Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
The Ontario Hospital Association (OHA)
The Ontario Medical Association (OMA)
The Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus (WOWC)
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Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

**Re: City of Port Colborne Support the Town of Wasaga Beach – Innovative Housing
and Support Models for Adults with Developmental Disabilities**

Please be advised that, at its meeting of August 11, 2026, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne supported the resolution received from the Town of Wasaga Beach regarding Innovative Housing and Support Models for Adults with Developmental Disabilities

The correspondence is attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden
City Clerk

ec: The Honourable Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
The Honourable Natalia Kusendova-Bashta, Minister of Long-Term Care
The Honourable Raymond Cho, Minister for Seniors and Accessibility
Jeff Burch, MPP for Niagara Centre
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Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

Re: City of Port Colborne Support the Town of Wasaga Beach – Traffic Calming and Speeding Mitigation

Please be advised that, at its meeting of August 11, 2026, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne supported the resolution received from the Town of Wasaga Beach regarding Traffic Calming and Speeding Mitigation.

The correspondence is attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden
City Clerk

ec: The Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation
The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Jeff Burch, MPP for Niagara Centre
The Association of the Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
The Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)
The Ontario Provincial Police
All Ontario Municipalities

August 28, 2026

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Come for a visit. Stay for a lifestyle.

Re: Elimination of the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board's Second Injury and Enhancement Fund (SIEF)

At its meeting of August 20, 2026, Council considered the Notice of Motion from Councillor Giddings regarding the Elimination of the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board's Second Injury and Enhancement Fund (SIEF) and passed the following motion:

Motion No. THC-260820-21

Moved by Councillor Daniel Giddings
Seconded by Councillor Gene Brahaney

Whereas the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB) eliminated the Second Injury and Enhancement Fund (SIEF), effective June 16, 2026, ending a long-standing cost relief program that assisted employers where pre-existing conditions contributed to the cost or duration of workplace injury claims; and

Whereas municipalities are significant employers of workers performing physically demanding duties and may experience increased WSIB costs as a result of the elimination of SIEF; and

Whereas the Second Injury and Enhancement Fund was established to provide cost relief to employers when pre-existing conditions significantly contributed to workplace injury claims, thereby encouraging employers to hire and retain workers with disabilities and pre-existing medical conditions; and

Whereas the Workplace Safety and Insurance system was established to provide a fair and balanced insurance system that protects both workers and employers; and

Whereas increased workplace insurance costs have the potential to place additional financial pressures on municipal operating budgets and property taxpayers;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the Council of the Municipality of Trent Hills respectfully requests that the Province of Ontario and the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board review the impacts of eliminating the Second Injury and Enhancement Fund (SIEF) consult with employers, municipalities, labour representatives and other stakeholders, and consider modernizing or revising the program rather than eliminating employer cost relief altogether, including by modernizing, revising or replacing the current program with an improved cost-relief mechanism that continues to fairly recognize the impact of pre-existing conditions.

Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to:

- The Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills;
- Development and MPP for Northumberland-Peterborough South;
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario;
- All Members of Provincial Parliament in Ontario;
- the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board;
- the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO);
- the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC);
- Ontario Chamber of Commerce;
- Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB);
- Ontario Business Improvement Area Association (OBIAA);
- Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA);
- Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM);
- Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO);
- Local Members of Parliament (for awareness);
- Local Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce;
- Northumberland County; and
- all Ontario municipalities, requesting their consideration and support.

Carried.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Municipality.

Sincerely,



Jessica Polley
Clerk