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NIAGARA ESCARPMENT COMMISSION

APPLICATION TO AMEND THE NIAGARA ESCARPMENT PLAN

(FMS #0115 – Revised August 15, 2019)

THE NIAGARA ESCARPMENT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT, R.S.O. 1990, AS AMENDED

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This form is intended to assist an applicant and the Niagara Escarpment Commission in considering proposed amendments to the Niagara Escarpment Plan. Not all parts of this application may be necessary or relevant to each proposal. Please attach additional pages or reports as required. Please include justification and supporting information with the application. Niagara Escarpment Commission staff would be pleased to discuss the form and assist in completing it. The Niagara Escarpment Commission may request more information after reviewing the complete submission.

1. OWNER (Required)

Name: County of Grey

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2. APPLICANT or AGENT (if applicable)

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3. PROPERTY LOCATION & INFORMATION

Municipality: Georgian Bluffs Civic/Street Address #: _____
(Fire/Emergency #)

Lot: Part Lot 10 Concession: Concession 2 and/or Lot: _____ Plan: RP16R11398, Part 1

Assessment roll number or PIN: 420354000115315 Lot Size: ~20 acres

4. PROPERTY SERVICING

Existing Road Frontage: ☒ Municipal ☐ Private

Proposed Road Frontage: ☒ Municipal ☐ Private

Existing Water Supply: ☐ Municipal ☐ Private

Proposed Water Supply: ☐ Municipal ☒ Private

Existing Sewage Disposal: ☐ Municipal ☐ Private

Proposed Sewage Disposal: ☐ Municipal ☒ Private

5. IS THE PROPOSAL THE SUBJECT OF A CURRENT APPLICATION? Please identify:

☐ Development Permit under Niagara Escarpment Planning and Development Act

☐ The Planning Act (Official Plan or Zoning By-law Amendment)

☐ The Aggregate Resources Act (License)

☐ Committee of Adjustment (Minor Variance)

☐ Land Division Committee (Severance)

☒ Other None currently, but future development permits will be needed if the NEPA is approved

6. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

Describe the current use of the property including any existing buildings or structures:

The property is currently farmed. A small sugar shack, storage shed and greenhouse were also recently approved (via development permit application G/A/2023-2024/83) for this site.

7. CATEGORY OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

☐ Change in Designation

☒ Change to Policy

☐ Request for Urban Servicing

☐ Change to Plan Boundary

☐ Other _____

8. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT (Please use additional page(s) as required)

Provide a detailed description of the proposed amendment:

The Owen Sound Agricultural Society, Chatsworth Agricultural Society, Bluewater School District, and Grey County have partnered to create a proposed Regional Agricultural Learning and Demonstration (RALD) site. The proposed RALD site will be visited and used by Grey County residents, visitors, and students from the Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM) in Agriculture program, learning about the importance of agriculture and the role it plays in our food system (i.e., how is food grown, where does food come from, what are the jobs connected to this industry). By having the site immediately adjacent to Grey Roots Museum and Archives, the opportunity exists to educate not only about Grey County's agricultural history but also about current and future agricultural practices. The site will host events such as the Fall Fair, Grown in Grey, etc. as well as the SHSM program. The initial proposal includes the construction of three main new buildings. One will be used as an office and possible classroom for the Agricultural Society staff and the SHSM in Agriculture program. This will include staff washrooms, desks, and a large room to display agricultural exhibits. The second and third buildings will be barns used for various livestock shows and exhibits, along with educational displays, workshops, and programs pertaining to current farming practices and food production. See Planning Justification Report for further details.

9. JUSTIFICATION AND RATIONALE

(INCLUDING REASONS, ARGUMENT AND EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF THE AMENDMENT)

(See Niagara Escarpment Plan Amendment Guidelines)

a) The justification submitted with the application should address the following:

1. Analysis of how the proposed amendment is consistent with the *Niagara Escarpment Planning and Development Act*, the Niagara Escarpment Plan, and shall be consistent with other relevant Provincial plans.
2. A justification which includes the rationale for the amendment, as well as reasons, arguments or evidence in support of the change to the Plan proposed through the amendment.

The following studies and reports may be necessary to be submitted in support of justification of the proposed amendment (The applicability of the following will depend on the nature of the application.):

- ☐ Agricultural Land Use Impacts
- ☐ Air Quality Impact Assessment
- ☐ Engineering Reports
- ☐ Environmental Impact Study
- ☐ Geological Studies
- ☐ Grading Plans – Existing and proposed and Slope Stabilization Plans and Typical Cross Sections
- ☐ Historical/Cultural/Archeological Impact Assessment
- ☐ Hydrogeological Impact Assessment
- ☐ Landscape/Visual Impact Analysis
- ☐ Noise Impact Assessment
- ☐ Setback from the Brow of the Escarpment
- ☐ Suitable for Septic Systems
- ☐ Traffic Impact Assessment
- ☐ Tree Removal / Planting including Berming and Landscaping
- ☒ Other: Planning Justification Report

10. SITE PLAN

Please attach an accurate Site Plan drawn to scale. The Site Plan may be drawn on a blank sheet; on an attached Survey, or by using mapping software (Ontario Make a Map etc.). The Site Plan must show existing features, such as, buildings and structures, streams, changes in grades, rock outcrops, driveways, forested areas and proposed uses or changes to the property or the features.

Note: For Amendments regarding Mineral Resource Extraction Areas please provide copies of the Site Plan as required by Regulation under the Aggregates Resources Act.

11. SIGNATURES

Personal information (i.e., name, address, phone, email) is being collected under the authority of the *Niagara Escarpment Planning and Development Act, RSO, 1990, as amended*, and will be used to process this application, which will include site visit notifications and in some cases appeals and hearings. Questions regarding the collection and use of this personal information should be directed to the Manager, Administration at the Georgetown Office phone, email and mailing address set out on the front page of this application form.

By signing this application form below, I consent to the collection of my personal information. This information may be used in public meetings and in Public Interest Advisory Committee (PIAC) meetings. **This application cannot be processed without the required signatures as set out below.**

I CERTIFY THAT THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Signature]

APPLICANT(S) or AGENT(S)
(if different from owner)

[Redacted Signature]

DATE:

[Redacted Date]