

Bill 131, *Transportation for the Future Act, 2023* – Recommendations

On October 26, 2023 Regional Council made the following decision:

1. The Province be requested to clarify:
 - a. How future GO Transit stations will be funded if a municipality does not use the new Station Contribution Fee and if this represents a shift in responsibility for funding GO Transit stations, from the Province to municipalities.
 - b. There is no ability for developers to ‘opt out’ of participation, once a municipality is prescribed, and the background study process is undertaken.
 - c. That the new Station Contribution Fee may be levied either on a municipal-wide or area-specific basis.
 - d. The type of offsets that municipalities levying the new fee will be required to provide developers; whether the quantum of those offsets must be commensurate/equal to the additional costs associated with the new fee; and in a two-tier jurisdiction where the upper-tier municipality levies the fee if a local municipal offset would satisfy this requirement.
2. The Province include the York Region in its consultation regarding the regulations supporting the new Station Contribution Fee.
3. The Regional Clerk forward this report to the Ministry of Infrastructure, Ministry of Transportation, local Members of Provincial Parliament, and the local municipalities