NOTICE OF ADOPTION

Official Plan for the Town of Wasaga Beach

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Wasaga Beach passed By-Law No. 2025-62 to adopt a new Official Plan for the Town of Wasaga Beach, including policies for the West Wasaga Secondary Plan area, and repeal the existing Town of Wasaga Beach Official Plan, and all amendments, on the 27th day of November 2025, pursuant to Section 17(22) and 17(23) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended and subject to approval by the County of Simcoe in accordance with sections 17(2) and 17(31) of the Planning Act.

The new Official Plan was subject to a statutory open house was held on October 10, 2024, and a statutory public meeting was on October 23, 2024, in accordance with the Planning Act requirements. The West Wasaga Secondary Plan was subject to a four day charette, held June 10 through June 13, 2024; and a statutory public meeting on January 16, 2025, in accordance with the Planning Act requirements.

THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The new Official Plan is intended to outline a strategic and comprehensive approach to guiding growth and development in the Town of Wasaga Beach. The new Official Plan achieves this by providing goals, objectives and policies related to managing growth, protecting and enhancing natural and cultural heritage features and resources, improving transportation systems, facilitating economic development, building a full mix and range of housing options that meet the needs of residents, and supporting the community. Furthermore, the new Official Plan contains policies that implement legislation, regulation, and policies from senior levels of government while reflecting the priorities of the community. The West Wasaga Secondary Plan component of the new Official Plan contains more specific policies pertaining to the westerly portion of the Town, roughly bordered by 62nd Street South/Lyons Court on, along Beachwood Road to the Town's boundary at Fairgrounds Road North.

The policies of the new Official Plan, including policies for the West Wasaga Secondary Plan area, have been developed through extensive community and stakeholder input, in addition to the completion of background planning studies and reports.

WRITTEN AND ORAL SUBMISSIONS: All written and oral submissions made regarding the new Official Plan have been reviewed and duly considered. Public and agency comments have been incorporated, where appropriate.

THE COUNTY OF SIMCOE IS THE APPROVAL AUTHORITY: The County of Simcoe, as the applicable upper-tier municipality, is the approval authority for a new lower-tier Official Plan adopted under Section 17(22) of the Planning Act. As such, the Town is forwarding the adopted new Official Plan to the County of Simcoe for review and approval, as required by Section 17(31) of the Planning Act. Take notice that any person or public body will be entitled to receive notice of the decision of the approval authority for the Town's new Official Plan if a written request to be notified of the decision is made to

County Clerk, County of Simcoe Administration Centre, 1110 Highway 26, Midhurst, Ontario L9X 1N6 (<u>Clerks@simcoe.ca</u>).

HOW TO VIEW MATERIALS: A complete copy of the Town's new Official Plan is available for inspection on the Town of Wasaga Beach on the Official Plan Review page of the Engage Wasaga website- Official Plan Review | Engage Wasaga, or in person at the Town of Wasaga Beach Planning and Building Office (120 Glennwood Drive, Wasaga Beach).

APPEAL RIGHTS: Only individuals, corporations or public bodies may appeal a decision of the County of Simcoe regarding the new Official Plan 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.

DATED at the Town of Wasaga Beach this 2nd day of December, 2025.

CLERK, TOWN OF WASAGA BEACH