

October 28, 2022

Mayor Steele and Council City of Port Colborne 66 Charlotte Street Port Colborne, ON L3K 3C8

## SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Dear Mayor Steele and Council,

Please be advised that at its meeting of October 21, 2022, the Board of Directors of the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) adopted the following as Resolution No. FA-90-2022:

Moved by Member Leah Feor Seconded by Member Brenda Johnson

**THAT** staff **BE DIRECTED** to extend the deadline for comment on the Final Land Securement Strategy to November 18, 2022 in order to provide sufficient time for stakeholders to undertake a review and provide comments.

**CARRIED** 

The NPCA Board and staff are committed to working with municipalities to further land securement objectives that are beneficial for watershed residents and visitors. The NPCA looks forward to strengthening our relationships with our member municipalities and enhancing the valuable system of protected spaces in the region.

The Land Securement Strategy will not be the only avenue for municipal councils and staff to influence and help shape the NPCA's land securement activities. NPCA staff will be responding to recent changes to the Conservation Authorities Act and associated Regulations by developing a Conservation Areas Strategy and related land securement policies and practices. Much of this work is not due for completion until the end of 2024. NPCA staff welcome input from all of our municipal partners on this work. There will be ample opportunity for Councils and staff to participate in meetings, workshops and engagement sessions. Further details on opportunities to provide input will be forthcoming in 2023.

Please share this information with the appropriate staff and kindly reach out to Eric Baldin, Manager of Land Planning, prior to November 18, 2022, to set up a meeting or provide feedback on the final Land Securement Strategy document. Mr. Baldin can be reached by email at ebaldin@npca.ca or by phone at 905-788-3135, extension #283.

Sincerely,

Grant Bivol NPCA Clerk