

August 4, 2023

**Electronic Submission only**

**ATT:** Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Provincial Land Use Plans Branch  
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**RE: Review of proposed policies adapted from A Place to Grow and Provincial Policy Statement to form a new provincial planning policy instrument.**  
Proposed new Provincial Planning Statement.  
[ERO Posting 019-6813](#)

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The City of Burlington appreciates the opportunity to review the proposed Provincial Planning Statement and respond to the consultation request. We look forward to future discussions and continuing to work together to create a streamlined province-wide land use planning policy framework that enables municipalities to increase housing supply while adequately planning for infrastructure, protecting resources, and protecting public health and safety.

On May 30, 2023 the City staff submitted Report PL-39-23 - *City of Burlington Comments – Bill 97 and proposed Provincial Planning Statement* to the Community Planning, Regulation, and Mobility Committee for consideration. On June 13, 2023 the same report was considered by City Council. Subsequent to discussion on the subject matter, City of Burlington Council directed that the report, and its attachments, as well as any additional comments, be forwarded to the Province for consideration. The attachments include correspondence from the Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA) regarding the proposed Provincial Planning Statement and City of Burlington staff comments on Ontario Regulatory Registry (ORR) proposal Number 23-MMAH005. That report, including its attachments have been appended to this submission.

On May 30, 2023, ERO Posting 019-6813 was updated to extend the commenting deadline from June 5, 2023, to August 4, 2023. On June 16, 2023, the posting was updated providing notice that the natural heritage policies were ready for review and had been added to the supporting documentation appended to the ERO posting. In response to this update to the ERO posting City Staff authored a memo to Council which provided an overview of the proposed natural heritage policies within the newly formed draft

Provincial Planning Statement. This memo has been appended to this letter and forms part of the City's submission regarding the aforementioned ERO posting.

The City of Burlington values the ability to provide input into the newly proposed Provincial Planning Statement and reserves the ability to provide additional input into the approval process and the implementation of the new policy document as appropriate. Please accept this letter and its attachments as the City of Burlington submission on ERO Posting 019-6813.

Sincerely,



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**Appendices:**

- A. City of Burlington Staff Report 'PL-39-23' City of Burlington Comments – Bill 97 and proposed Provincial Planning Statement.
- B. Ontario Federation of Agriculture Submission Re: Bill 97 and Proposed Provincial Planning Statement.
- C. City of Burlington staff comments on ORR Proposal Number 23-MMAH005.
- D. Council Information Package (CIP) Memorandum - Review of proposed policies adapted from A place to Grow and Provincial Policy Statement to form a new provincial planning policy instrument. Updated Natural Heritage Policies.
- E. Minutes of the May 30, 2023 Community Planning Regulation & Mobility Committee.
- F. Minutes of the June 13, 2023 Meeting of Council.