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Haldimand County Administrative Accommodations Review

Early in 2015, Haldimand County Council established a set of corporate priorities to be addressed during its term. Included as a top priority was a comprehensive review of municipal administrative accommodations with the goal of achieving operating efficiencies and financial sustainability while maintaining excellent customer service.

County administration is currently housed in 7 facilities throughout the municipality. This dispersed service delivery model was established in 2000 by the Haldimand-Norfolk Transition Board. The space within these seven facilities is approximately 58,000 square feet.

At the Council meeting of August 31, 2015, Council approved the project scope, key principles and factors to be evaluated during the review. Those factors include a financial analysis as well as a review of potential efficiencies, maintaining customer service, the impact on work environment and corporate image.

The review will focus on three models. The first model maintains a decentralized approach to administrative accommodations throughout the County with a minor reduction in facilities. The second model involves partial consolidation which involves closing satellite offices and consolidating administrative facilities into one central location in Cayuga. The third model considers full consolidation of all current administrative buildings into one facility.

Staff were directed to provide a public consultation period during the month of November and return to Council in early 2016 for a decision on the future of administrative accommodations in Haldimand County. Don Boyle, Chief Administrative Officer said "County staff are committed to a work culture founded on continuous improvement and focused on valued services".

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