

## Town adds Addendum to Regional Council Response Document

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**Pelham, ON** – The Town of Pelham has attached an addendum to the document responding to a Regional Councillor’s motion on taxpayer affordability guidelines.

The addendum provides further information pertaining to several of the clauses and resolutions. It is encouraged that the addendum be reviewed in its entirety, as information is not limited to what is highlighted below.

In clause 1, “*Whereas the Town of Pelham’s operating levy increase since its 2015 budget is approximately 20% (2015 – 3.46%, 2016 – 9.69%, 2017 – 6.61% compounded) which is cause for concern*”, the addendum notes the compounded rates are 15% and include information regarding capital sustainability and its integration into the compounded rates.

In clause 6, “*Whereas the Town of Pelham conducted a land transaction using a development charge scheme that does not accurately reflect its true debt levels in a transparent manner*”, the addendum includes further information on the parkland dedication credits and the values of lands purchased.

Lastly, an addendum to resolution paragraphs 14-17 addresses the call for a management letter from annual audit statements, providing acknowledgment from the auditor why no management letter was issued; the auditor “did not identify any control deficiencies that, individually or in the aggregate, [they] consider to be material weaknesses”.

“I hope these further insights not only alleviate residents concern, but also that of a couple Regional Councillors,” said Mayor Dave Augustyn. “This information, along with all of its original content, continues to dispel the misleading claims that were charged against the Town of Pelham.”

To review the addendum in full, please click [here](#).

To view the original response document, please click [here](#).

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