The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes Victoria Manor Committee of Management Report VMC2018-03

Meeting Date: March 19, 2018

Meeting Time: 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Place: Human Services Boardroom, 322 Kent St. W., Lindsay

Subject: County of Simcoe White Paper: Seniors Campus

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Recommendation(s):

Resolved That Report VMC2018-03, "County of Simcoe White Paper: Seniors Campus", be received for information.

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Background:

In 2017 the County of Simcoe developed a White Paper Campuses (Attachment A) to document their experience in redeveloping one of their municipal Long Term Care Homes as part of a larger campus for seniors. Georgian Village opened in 2013 incorporating:

- Independent living for seniors in Garden Homes and Apartment Suites
- Retirement Living
- Affordable Housing
- A 143-bed Long-Term Care facility

The community also includes support services and programs for residents.

The County of Simcoe is sharing the White Paper to support other municipalities that may be considering some form of campus design in the development or redevelopment of their long term care homes.

An application for the redevelopment of Victoria Manor, as a new 160-bed facility, is currently being developed.

Rationale:

The 'campus' concept relating to seniors services is not unique to the County of Simcoe or new to the sector, however, there could be benefits to considering aspects of their approach as a municipal development.

The timing of the redevelopment of Victoria Manor provides as opportunity to consider alignment with other municipal initiatives and support other community needs.

The need for both Affordable Housing and Supportive Housing for seniors is well documented locally. The Centralised Wait List for subsidised housing, maintained by the City's Housing Help Division, currently has 491 senior (age 60+) households from Kawartha Lakes only, representing 37% of the total wait list. Of the 491, 68% (335 households) are awaiting housing in Lindsay. Creating new Affordable Housing is a goal of the City's Strategic Plan, Ten-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan, Poverty Reduction Strategy and Sustainability Plan.

Through the City's Housing Help Division and the Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Housing Corporation (KLHHC) there is potential to develop and/or deliver both of these. The timing of the next funding phase of the Province's Investment in Affordable Housing program, expected in 2020, could be an opportunity to fund much of a Housing development at a campus site. Further discussions will take place with KLHHC on co-ordinating plans for future builds.

There have also been informal discussions with staff of the Ross Memorial Hospital (RMH) as well as the Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) regarding the need for supportive housing to help address the high Alternate Levels of Care at the RMH.

Further opportunities for collaborations could exist in both the public and private sectors for market rate seniors housing and other support services. Discussions with Sienna staff have also included references to a campus approach for a redeveloped Victoria Manor. Sienna staff continue to have a key role in our redevelopment planning at this stage.

In the current development of the application to redevelop Victoria Manor, there is not a requirement to define the ultimate design of the building or scope of a potential campus project. If consideration is given to incorporating some degree of a campus model, a feasibility study or design could be completed in 2019 or 2020.

Staff will continue to develop the Redevelopment application for the Ministry and will consider opportunities and options for a collaborative approach, including a campus model. As potentially feasible options are identified, they will be brought forward to the Committee for consideration.

Attachments:



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