

# **Council Report**

Report Number: CORP2024-001

Meeting Date: January 30, 2024

Title: Amendment to Signing Authority By-Law 2016-009

- GIS Data Sharing Agreements

**Description:** An amendment to the Signing Authority By-Law to

improve efficiency and facilitate GIS work and

collaboration with external entities

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#### Recommendation(s):

That Report CORP2024-001, Amendment to Signing Authority By-Law 2016-009 - GIS Data Sharing Agreements, be received;

**That** By-Law 2016-009, being a By-Law to Provide Authority for the Execution of Certain Documents and Affix the Corporate Seal on Behalf of the City of Kawartha Lakes, be amended as generally outlined in Appendix A to Report CORP2024-001; and

**That** the necessary amending By-Law be brought forward for adoption.

Department Head:	
Financial/Legal/HR/Other:	
Chief Administrative Officer:	

## **Background:**

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data sharing is a common and relatively frequent activity in the GIS field. Consultants, industry, businesses, not-for-profits and other external entities request GIS data from time to time. As development in the City of Kawartha Lakes (CKL) continues we can expect increasing requests for GIS data. CKL business processes and mapping also require GIS data which can be obtained from multiple sources often requiring that CKL sign a data sharing agreement before release of the data. These agreements are relatively minor, simply laying out usage terms and disclaimers of use for any data provided. These do not have any financial impact on The City. This amendment is intended to improve efficiency within CKL, streamlining data sharing as part of the regular course of GIS work.

### **Alignment to Strategic Priorities**

- Good Government
  - Increase efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery
  - Promote continuous improvement; improved data sharing between organizations with a vested interest in similar strategic initiatives.

### **Financial/Operation Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts resulting from this amendment. There will be an operational improvement in completing data requests/acquisitions more rapidly and reducing the number or staff required to review and consider each agreement, relying on the content experts (CIO, Solicitor) to make that approval.

#### **Attachments:**

CORP2024-001 Appendix A - By-Law to Amend By-Law 2016-009.docx



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