

Attachment 10 – Region of Durham Submission on Bill 60 (ERO 025-1182)

Summary and Comments in Support of the Fighting Delays, Building Faster Act, 2025 through Bill 60 (“An Act to amend various Acts and to enact the Water and Wastewater Public Corporations Act, 2025”)

| ERO/RR Posting and Comment Period | Durham Region Staff Comments (Council endorsement to be sought November 26, 2025) |
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| <p>ERO 025-1182 October 23, 2025 – November 22, 2025 (30 days)</p> <p>Proposed Changes to the GO Transit Station Funding Act, Toronto Waterfront Revitalization Corporation Act and Transit-Oriented Communities Act (Schedule 4, 13 and 15 of Bill 60 - Fighting Delays, Building Faster Act, 2025) Environmental Registry of Ontario</p> | <p>(1) Proposed amendments to the <i>GO Transit Station Funding Act, 2023</i> to provide municipalities with greater flexibility in determining when Transit Station Charges are to be paid</p> <p>Staff Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Region of Durham has formally expressed its intent to the province to establish a Transit Station Charge (TSC) by-law, enabled through the GO Transit Station Funding Act, 2023, as a funding tool to contribute towards four new stations along the GO Lakeshore East Extension to Bowmanville. Upon formal confirmation from the province, the Region will be embarking on a TSC Background Study to conduct the analysis and make recommendations on the charge. • The Region of Durham generally supports the proposed changes to align the GO Transit Station Funding Act, 2023 with the Development Charges Act, 1997, to allow for greater flexibility on the timing of the collection of the TSC, and will incorporate accordingly an analysis of charge collection and financial security in the Background Study. • The proposed Section 7.2 in the GO Transit Station Funding Act, 2023, provides that the TSC to be collected at occupancy would be determined at an earlier phase, such as site plan approval, zoning by-law amendment approval, or at building permit issuance. It is recommended that provisions similar to subsection 26.2(5)(a) and (b) of the Development Charges Act (DCA), 1997 apply to Section 7.2 of the GO Transit Station Funding Act, 2023 to align with the language in the DCA. |
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