

# REPORT FOR ACTION

# Bill 139 - Amendments to the Planning Act and the Province's Land use Planning Appeal System - Implementation

Date: April 16, 2018

To: Planning and Growth Management Committee

From: City Solicitor

Wards: All

### **SUMMARY**

The *Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act*, 2017 (Bill 139) received Royal Assent on December 12, 2017 and has now been proclaimed into law as of April 3, 2018. Bill 139 makes substantial changes to the planning system in the province and will have significant impacts on procedures, processes and resources at the City.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Solicitor recommends that:

1. The Planning and Growth Management Committee consider a forthcoming report from the City Clerk, Chief Planner and Executive Director of City Planning, and the City Solicitor on this matter at the Planning and Growth Management Committee on May 1, 2018.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no financial impact arising out of the recommendations of this report.

### **DECISION HISTORY**

On January 31, 2018, City Council adopted a report from the City Solicitor and the Acting Chief Planner and Executive Director providing comments and recommendations regarding proposed transition regulations associated with Bill 139. City Council requested the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning, and the City Solicitor to report to the Planning and Growth Management Committee on the anticipated

resources required to process development applications in anticipation of the implementation of Bill 139.

http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaltemHistory.do?item=2018.PG25.5

### **COMMENTS**

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This report will be made available prior to the Planning and Growth Management Committee meeting scheduled for May 1, 2018.

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#### **SIGNATURE**

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