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October 31, 2017

Re: Climate Change Action Plan – Implementation

Dear Sustainable Peterborough Municipal Champion,

As you are aware, the Councils of the County of Peterborough, the City of Peterborough and all eight Townships approved our respective Climate Change Action Plans in the fall of 2016.

Following this approval, we worked with LURA Consulting, who through an Eco-Canada Grant, was able to hire and place Kaitlyn Ittermann at our County offices in a contract position as our Climate Change Action Plan Implementation Coordinator. A portion of Kaitlyn's salary was funded by the City, with the County providing in-kind contribution of office space, equipment, etc.

Earlier this year, we applied for the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change's Partners in Climate Action grant to fund the continuation of Kaitlyn's work for a two-year period. Unfortunately, we were not successful in obtaining this grant and are now looking at options to support the continuation of Kaitlyn's work effective January 2018.

I am proposing that we could consider placing this position within Sustainable Peterborough, at the Peterborough & The Kawartha Economic Development Office and that we establish a shared service model, wherein we all pay into Sustainable Peterborough to fund her position. We believe that Kaitlyn's position is a valued position for all the municipalities including the City and County, as we do not have the resources to dedicate solely to climate change. A shared position will maximize our effectiveness and collaboration.

I am proposing a **\$2,500** contribution from each of the Townships to support this contract position. The County of Peterborough will also contribute \$2,500 as well as our continued in-kind support. The City of Peterborough will contribute the remaining 50% of the cost. The services and work plan of the position would be reviewed and approved by each of us to ensure you are achieving value for money.

I kindly ask that you give consideration to this request and refer to your 2018 budget for Council's consideration. Should you wish me to make a personal delegation to your Council or staff I am happy to do so.

Sincerely,

Sheridan Graham
Chair, Sustainable Peterborough