

REPORT

Chief Administrative Officer

TO: Administration and Emergency Services Committee

FROM: Kristi Honey, CAO

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SUBJECT: 2023 Accomplishments by Department

BACKGROUND:

The following highlights 2023 accomplishments by Department aligned to our 2023 – 2026 Strategic Plan.

DISCUSSION:

Animal Control

Achievement	Strategic Priority	Objective
Radio Interviews – promoting adoption/ donations/ licences	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at Operational Efficiency & Effectiveness
Adoption Day/ Sign Reveal	Community Engagement / Collaboration and Partnerships	4.2 Promote residential engagement in our community3.1 Enhance and nurture existing partnerships
New roof, paint, and kennels at Shelter	Good Governance / Vibrant Infrastructure Deficit	4.4 Demonstrate Fiscal responsibility and continue to offer value for money2.3 Address Infrastructure Deficit

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Adoption Day/ Donation Presentation	Community Engagement / Collaboration and Partnerships	4.2 Promote residential engagement in our community 3.1 Enhance and nurture existing partnerships
Implementing New Software / Demo-Licencing stage	Good Governance /	1.2 Excel at Operational Efficiency & Effectiveness
Amendment to By-law (Animal Control updates)	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at Operational Efficiency & Effectiveness
Increase Staffing to match growing workload	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at Operational Efficiency & Effectiveness 1.3 Commit to Organizational Resilience

By-Law

Achievement	Strategic Priority	Objective
 Jan 10, 2023 – Trial and conviction on 5 charges – penalty of 36,000 	Community Wellbeing	5.1 Operate responsibly and ethically to create a sustainable future.
CloudPermit Training and Implementation – Live November 27 th ,2023	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at Operational Efficiency & Effectiveness
 Decision to replace Parking App and RMS systems 4Pay/PEARL with HotSpot 	Good Governance / Vibrant and Growing Economy	5.1 Operate responsibly and ethically to create a sustainable future.
Extension of PT Parking officer for 2 years for Trail Sustainability Project – Permit Parking	Vibrant and Growing Economy	2.2 Leverage tourism and heritage cultural assets to drive economic advantage for future generations
Creating new Site Alteration Legislation – in progress / Amend Traffic By-laws	Good Governance / Community Well-Being	1.2 Excel at Operational Efficiency & Effectiveness 5.3 Enhance Community Safety
Charges ongoing for Site Alteration / Special Event Permit / Zoning	Good Governance / Community Well-Being	1.5 Committed to ethical responsible and sustainable practices 5.3 Enhance Community Safety 5.4 Enhance community health and well-being of residents

Office of the CAO

Achievement	Strategic Priority	Objective
 Implement Strategic Plan Launch Sharepoint site Launch Strategic Plan Promote Values to staff 	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
Align Committees with Strategic Plan	Vibrant and Growing Economy	2.1 Grow the economy and maximize opportunities to realize competitive advantage
Launched 'Downtown as a Destination' project	Vibrant and Growing Economy	2.1 Grow the economy and maximize opportunities to realize competitive advantage
 Acknowledged Prov./Federal supports New Provincial Park announcement Elgin Park Improvements Active Transportation grant OCIF funding support 	Good Governance	1.4 Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and continue to offer value for money
 Support Cultural Diversity, Inclusion, Equity 6 Flag Raising events for dates of significance Supported Intl Women's Day event presented by Reg. Durham and local area Municipalities Official opening of the Pathway of Inclusion 61 Social Media posts recognizing dates of significance Ceremony for Indigenous Veterans Day 	Community Wellbeing	5.4 Enhance community health and well-being of residents
 Published 61 communication items related to EDI dates of significance. 	Community Wellbeing	5.4 Enhance community health and well-being of residents
Engage the Public 3 Town Hall Q&A sessions with local groups including school groups Hosted Intl. Junior Farmers	Good Governance Collaborations &	1.1 Deliver accountable, transparent government
group for local Government Q&A	Partnership	3.1 Enhance and nurture existing partnerships
 Drafted Public Engagement Strategy 	Community Engagement	4.1 Amplify corporate communication
 Zephyr Stop Sign Survey (for G. Shreeve) – 105 responses 	Community Engagement	4.2 Promote Resident Engagement in our Community

 Promote Resident Engagement Gerri Lynn O'Connor Tribute Event Christopher Chapman Park renaming Sam Sharpe Portrait Unveiling Uxbridge Santa Claus Parade Huck Finn Event Support for Remembrance Day ceremony Support for inaugural Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony 	Community Engagement	4.2 Promote resident engagement in our community
 Nurture Relationships with other levels of Government Develop presentation material for delegations with Ontario MPs Participate in Regional Intelligent Communities Committee 	Collaboration and Partnerships	3.1 Enhance and nurture existing partnerships
 Cybersecurity Cyber Incident Response Plan – Completed and updated Implemented cyber-security training and monitoring program 	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
 Implement New Technology to support departmental objectives: Cloudpermit – Planning Cloudpermit - Bylaw Pearl Upgrade - Public Works M365 License Review Provincial Marriage Modernization Pilot -Clerks Upgrade of VitalStats Program - Clerks Laserfiche to Cloud – Clerks E-Signature (Consigno) – Clerks FMW project Move to HotSpot Perit Parking and Enforcement Enterprise Module – By Law 	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
 Technology Upgrades Chameleon module upgrade Diamond upgrade to Cloud (Treasury) – in progress Changes to Microsoft Tenet 	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness

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 Rogers Internet Network Upgrade 		
Software Review/Assessment FOI software – Vayle CAD software – PW Asset Management Software Assessed Granicus streaming options Chameleon (Animal Services), FirePro (Fire Department), WorkTech 6 (Public Works) PetPoint Animal Shelter Software CRM application (BCITI)	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
Preparation for future technology projects: Budgeting Asset Software - Functional Requirements Document Bambora to Paymentus 2024 Animal Shelter SW Review and Environmental scan of parking platforms Review and Discussion of ActiveNET	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
 Support Web-site functionality Set up Google Analytics and Cloud metrics SiteImprove – review Market scan of platform providers 	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
GIS Licensing and Support – Enterprise Agreement, Training, Support from Region, Interactive Map	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
Migration Plan for End-of-Life Infrastructure Laptop/PC Replacement Plan & Infrastructure Review Licensing w Netagen	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
 New Policies to support technology implementation: E-signature policy PCI Compliance Policy 	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
Support Existing Technology/Apps	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
Communications Instagram Channel Launch	Community Engagement	4.1 Amplify corporate communication

	0	13 Campaigns to support health and social services in our community	Collaboration and Partnerships	3.1 Enhance and nurture existing partnerships
	0	Website relevancy and accuracy review and update	Good Governance Community Engagement	1.1 Deliver accountable, transparent government4.2 Promote resident engagement in our community
	0	Branding/logo refresh	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
	0	Produced 50 radio segments End-of-year (2022) Accomplishments Video	Good Governance	Deliver accountable, transparent government
	0	24 communication campaigns related to environmental issues or trail/habitat restoration	Community Wellbeing	5.1 Operate responsibly and ethically to create a sustainable future
•		bridge Urban Provincial Park		
	0	Intergovernmental working group to identify potential lands for inclusion in park	Community Wellbeing	5.1 Operate responsibly and ethically to create a sustainable future
	0	Provincial Park Survey and Report		4.2 Promote Resident Engagement in our
	0	Project Planning for local impacts of future park	Community Engagement	Community 1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and
		operations	Good Governance	effectiveness
	0	Trail Corridor Linkages project	Vibrant and Growing	2.1 Grow the economy and maximize opportunities to realize competitive
	0	Hosted 2 workshops to facilitate UUPP	Economy	advantage 1.5 Committed to ethical,
	0	Hosted Open House with 450 in attendance	Good Governance	responsible and sustainable practices

Clerks

Achievement	Strategic Priority	Objective
Implementing LEAD	Community Well- being	Enhance community accessibility
Online Marriage Licence Pilot	Good Governance	Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
630 marriage licences issued	Good Governance	Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness

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•	59 civil marriage ceremonies performed	Good Governance	Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
•	Fire Hall Sale	Good Governance	Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and continue to offer value for money
•	Agreement with Erin Bennett	Collaboration and	Explore new partnerships
	for donation of trail lands	Partnerships	Operate responsibly and
		Community Wellbeing	ethically to create a sustainable future
•	Replacement of Receptionist	Good Governance	Commit to organizational resilience
•	New Deputy Clerk	Good Governance	Commit to organizational resilience
•	Wrap up of 2022 election	Good Governance	Deliver accountable, transparent government
•	No election challenges	Good Governance	Excel at operational
			efficiency and effectiveness
•	No compliance audits	Good Governance	Excel at operational
	requested		efficiency and effectiveness
•	Streamlining eScribe	Good Governance	Excel at operational
	functionality		efficiency and effectiveness
•	Upgrade of registrar program	Good Governance	Excel at operational
	for burial permits		efficiency and effectiveness
•	Upload of Laserfiche to the	Good Governance	Excel at operational
	Cloud		efficiency and effectiveness
•	ConsignO platform	Good Governance	Excel at operational
	implementation for e- signatures		efficiency and effectiveness
•	Initiated Site Alteration Bylaw	Community Well	Operate responsibly and
	review	Being	ethically to create a sustainable future
•	Facilitated the receipt of an estate donation to the Animal	A Vibrant and	Address Infrastructure Deficit
	Shelter	Growing Economy	Delicit
•	Transition staff member from	Good Governance	Commit to organizational
	BIA to Clerks full time	O-Habarati I	resilience
•	Working with Region on implementation of 311	Collaboration and Partnerships	Enhance and nurture existing partnerships
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 Land acquisition disposition 	Collaboration and	Explore New Partnerships
for depot expansion	Partnerships	

Community Services Achievement Strategic Priority Objective

Achievement	Strategic Priority	Objective
Review and Streamline Rates for Parks, Recreation, Culture and Facilities.	Good Governance	1.1.1 Deliver a high standard of customer service. 1.4.1 Remain committed to fiscal responsibility.
Record high registration in camps	Good Governance	1.5.1 Consult stakeholders and work collaboratively to address needs of the community.
Certification of 22 new instructors and 20 new lifeguards	Good Governance	3.1 Build recruitment, retention, succession planning, knowledge and skill transfer, and staff training and development.
Kitchen renovation in UHC Quaker Hill School House available for rentals	Vibrant and Growing Economy	2.2 Leverage tourism and heritage cultural assets to drive economic advantage for future generations
Numerous Uxbridge Tourism Events With Support From Durham Tourism and Central Counties Tourism Partnership Funding	A Vibrant and Growing Economy	2.2.2 Identify tourism- related opportunities to establish Uxbridge as a 'Tourism Destination'.
Statue Unveiling at UH	A Vibrant and Growing Economy	2.2.1 Cultivate and support creative and innovative business opportunities that are tourism-based.
Completion of the Accessible Playground and Pathway of inclusion	Good Governance	1.4.3 Identify opportunities to diversify funding sources (e.g., non-levy revenue, grants, partnerships)."
Goodwood baseball diamond upgrade	Community Well being	5.5.6 Identify opportunities to enhance community facilities.
Siloam Playground survey (75 responses)	Community Engagement	4.2 Promote Resident Engagement in our Community
Issued 10 notices for park/playground or trail closures	Good Governance	1.1 Deliver accountable, transparent government
Leaskdale Park Improvement survey	Community Engagement	4.2 Promote Resident Engagement in our Community
Completion of masonry repairs to the library building	Good Governance	2.2 Operational Efficiency and Effectiveness.

	Vibrant and Growing Economy	Addressing Infrastructure Deficit
Library – Strengthen community partnerships - Service Canada, Durham Region (Covid Clinics), Durham Drag Queen with all Durham libraries (won two awards to be presented in January at OLA)	Collaboration and Partnerships	3.1 Enhance and nurture existing partnerships
Seniors Information Fair	Community Wellbeing	5.5 Enhance community liveability
Increased Revenue at all Halls and streamlined operations	Good Governance	2.2 Operational Efficiency and Effectiveness
Published combined fall programming in You Are Here	Community Engagement	4.1 Amplify Corporate Communications
Music Hall offering "Access to Entertainment" ticket pricing option to support accessibility	Community Well-being	5.2 Enhance community accessibility
Completion of repairs to Uxpool as outlined by the 2021 Building Audit	Good Governance Vibrant and Growing Economy	2.2 Operational Efficiency and Effectiveness2.3 Address Infrastructure Deficit
Arena - Weather stripping all exterior doors & doors leading to ice, scheduled thermostat operations for peak hours and continual adjustment of light timers	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
Arena received a Certificate of Achievement in Energy Efficiency from ENBRIDGE	Community Well-Being	5.1.2 Seek means to reduce our carbon footprint and find energy efficiencies.
Arena Staff CIT certifications & REALice training by all staff	Good Governance,	1.5 Committed to ethical, responsible and sustainable practices
Arena Increased public program & advertising revenues	A Vibrant and Growing Economy ,	2.1 Grow the economy and maximize opportunities to realize competitive advantage
Canaday day Committee hosted event and Fireworks	Community Engagement	4.2 Promote Resident Engagement in our Community

Development Services Department (Building & Planning)

	Achievement	Strategic Priority	Objective
•	Advanced the configuration and development of Cloudpermit for Planning Applications in partnership with the software vendor	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
•	Implemented changes to Statistics Canada reporting utilizing the Cloudpermit Building Module to streamline report creation	Collaboration and Partnerships	3.1 Enhance and nurture existing partnerships
•	Developing an API with Cloudpermit and Laserfiche for archiving integration	Good Governance	1.3 Commit to organizational resilience
•	Maintained partnerships with Building Officials in neighbouring municipalities through service on the Board of the Durham Chapter of the Ontario Building Officials Association	Collaboration and Partnerships	3.1 Enhance and nurture existing partnerships
•	Hired 3 staff to match increasing workload	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at Operational Efficiency & Effectiveness
•	Stood up new Committee of Adjustment and processed 39 Applications (34% increase over 2022)	Good Governance	1.1 Deliver accountable, transparent government
•	Implementation of Bill 109 Timelines for Rezonings and Site Plan Control with no penalties owed	Good Governance	1.4 Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and continue to offer value for money
•	27 Zoning and Site Plan Applications processed including 10 Public Consultation Meetings held in 2023	Community Engagement Collaboration and Partnerships	4.2 Promote resident engagement in our community
•	Supported the Laserfiche Transition to a Cloud-Based Platform through retention reviews and workflow creation	Community Well- Being	3.2 Explore new partnerships5.5 Enhance community liveability
•	Led or supported a number of land acquisition and disposition projects	Community Engagement	4.1 Amplify corporate communication
•	Improved public information available on the website,		

	including guides to on sign and pool enclosure permit requirements, current development materials and status for key developments, supported a Business Toolkit for new businesses in partnership with Invest Durham and Downtown Revitalization promotional videos	Community Well- Being	5.5 Enhance community liveability
•	Supported the Uxbridge Urban Provincial Park Land Securement Sub-Committee	A Vibrant and Growing Economy	2.2 Leverage tourism and heritage cultural assets to drive economic advantage
	Advanced Downtown Revitalization Action Plan Priorities: Established a Downtown Revitalization Committee, Secured 1% Levy to fund Downtown Revitalization, Revised Downtown Community	Good Governance	for future generations 1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
	Revised Downtown Community Improvement Plan, Secured a significant Affordable Housing Development in the Downtown,	Collaboration and Partnerships	3.2 Explore new partnerships
	Tendered and Awarded a Downtown Parking Study in consultation with key stakeholders, Established a	Collaboration and Partnerships	3.1 Enhance and nurture existing partnerships
	Streetscaping sub-committee, supported the Region's Active Transportation Plan for the Downtown including a bike repair station, Established Downtown as	Community Engagement	4.2 Promote resident engagement in our community
	a Destination through a RED Grant, Funded additional hours for the Library-Tourism Desk & Washrooms, initiated studies to plan Centennial Park redevelopment	Community Well- Being	5.3 Enhance Community Safety
•	Processed 380 Building Permit Applications resulting in 1,418 inspections	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
•	Active in Peer Support Groups for both Planning and Building Modules of Cloudpermit	Community Well- Being	5.4 Enhance community health and well-being of residents
•	Active in area municipality group of CBOs to discuss code changes, application and foster alignment		
•	Rolled out a central resident support phoneline (x422) to		

	address Building & Planning questions quickly and effectively
•	Increased public safety and well- being through enforcement of the Ontario Building Code, including buildings damaged by fire, Motor Vehicle collision and structures built without permit, insufficiently constructed or rendered unsafe
•	Transitioned Land Division responsibility from the Region to the Township
•	Active in the Durham Region Community Safety and Well- Being Committee

Fire Department

Achievement	Strategic Priority	Objective
 Placed the municipality's first 	Community Fire	2.2 Operational Efficiency
Aerial (A77) into service.	Protection	and Effectiveness.
Completed numerous promotional and recruitment processes	Good Governance	3.1 Build recruitment, retention, succession planning, knowledge and skill transfer, and staff training and development
Mobile Live Fire Burn Training	Community Fire Protection	2.2 Operational Efficiency
		and Effectiveness.
 Firefighter Memorial Project 	Community	
	engagement	4.2 Promote Resident Engagement in our Community
 Conducted public awareness campaigns for Christmas safety, Emergency Planning week, Fire Prevention Week 	Community Wellbeing	5.3 Enhance Community Safety

Public Works

	Achievement	Strategic Priority	Objective
•	Crossing guard awareness week and hiring campaign	Good Governance	1.3 Commit to organizational resilience
•	Published 73 unique notices for closures/restrictions	Good Governance	Deliver accountable, transparent government

Stormwater Project Public Engagement Planks lane Public Engagement	Community Engagement	4.2 Promote resident engagement in our community
Winter parking and reminders campaign	Community Engagement	4.2 Promote resident engagement in our community
Planned improvements to Goodwood area by Region information release	Community Engagement	4.1 Amplify corporate communication
Issued 4 Significant Weather event notifications	Good Governance	1.5 Committed to ethical responsible and sustainable practices
Street Sign Recovery Campaign	Community Engagement	4.2 Promote resident engagement in our community
Rehabilitated the Roof at the Depot	A Vibrant and Growing Economy	2.3 Address Infrastructure Deficit
New Salt Bay at the Parks Yard	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
Core Asset Inventory collection with GIS mapping and training	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
Responded to over 800 resident complaints/inquiries via phone	Community Wellbeing	5.3 Enhance Community Safety
Completed through Pearl approximately 1,050 general non- urgent work orders	Community Wellbeing	5.3 Enhance Community Safety
Paved 5.5 km of roads	Community Wellbeing	5.3 Enhance Community Safety

Treasury

	Achievement	Strategic Priority	Objective
•	Expand the eSend capability to email AR invoices and statements to customers	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
•	Hire Deputy Treasurer Implementation of automatic online charitable donation receipts	Good Governance	1.3 Commit to organizational resilience 1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
•	Building relationship with other municipalities	Good Governance	3.11 Enhance and nurture existing
•	Completion of the 2023 Operating and Capital Budget	Collaboration and Partnerships	partnerships 1.1 Deliver accountable,
•	Implementation of new time and attendance platform (HRISmyWay)	Good Governance	transparent government
	(Hittothyway)	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
•	Implementation of Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) for payment to our vendors	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
•	Implementation of cheque scanner to allow for immediate deposits	Good Governance	1.2 Excel at operational efficiency and effectiveness
•	Successful Tax Sale for property on Third Avenue	Good Governance	1.4 Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and continue to offer value for money

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Report CAO-01/24 be received for information;
Respectfully Submitted by:

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