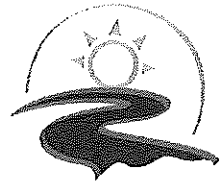


Mayoral Direction



Centre Wellington

Direction Number: 2025-001

Date: September 2, 2025

Subject: 2026 Budget – Direction to Staff

In accordance with section 284.16 of the Municipal Act, 2001 (the “Act”) and section 7 of O.Regulation 530/22, the Mayor shall, on or before February 1 of each year, prepare a proposed budget for the Township and provide the proposed budget to Council for its consideration.

In accordance with section 284.3 of the Act, the Mayor hereby directs the Chief Administrative Officer and Township Managing Director of Corporate Services and Treasurer to prepare a 2026 staff budget in accordance with Staff report numbers COR2025-30 (2026 Budget Recommendations), and COR2025-40 (2026 Budget Recommendations).

The 2026 staff budget update prepared in accordance with this directive will be considered by the Mayor in October 2025 and subsequently issued as the Mayor’s draft budget for public feedback and engagement, inclusive of a summary of any amendments made by the Mayor to the staff budget update. Upon completion of the public engagement period, the Mayor may make additional amendments before formally issuing the Mayor’s Budget for Council review and discussion.

The adoption of the 2026 budget update for the Township of Centre Wellington must occur by the end of December 2025.

Dated this 2nd day of September, 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Watters', written over a horizontal line.

S. Watters, Mayor