Staff Report



| Report To: | Council |
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| Report From: | Jamie Eckenswiller, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk |
| Meeting Date: | September 5, 2023 |
| Subject: | Request for Letter of Support – Neustadt Natural Gas Expansion Project |

Recommendations:

THAT in consideration of staff report 'Request for Letter of Support – Neustadt Natural Gas Expansion project, council directs staff to send a letter of support to Enbridge Gas respecting the Neustadt natural gas expansion project.

Highlights:

- Enbridge Gas will soon be filing a Leave to Construct application with the Ontario Energy Board (OEB).
- West Grey previously provided a letter of support to Enbridge Gas for the Neustadt natural gas expansion project.
- Enbridge Gas is requesting a letter of support from West Grey to include with their submission to the OEB.

Previous Report/Authority:

2020 letter of support to Enbridge for natural gas expansion in Neustadt.

Analysis:

Enbridge Gas is in the process of completing a natural gas expansion project in the village of Neustadt. As part of the expansion project, Enbridge Gas is required to file a leave to construct (LTC) with the Ontario Energy Board. Enbridge will be filing their LTC with the OEB in the coming days and has requested that the Municipality of West Grey provide them with a letter of support to accompany the application.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

Communication Plan:

Upon receipt of council direction, staff will forward a letter of support to Enbridge Gas for the Neustadt natural gas expansion project.

Consultation:

None.

Attachments:

None.

Recommended by:

Jamie Eckenswiller, AMP Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

Submission approved by:

Laura Johnston, Chief Administrative Officer

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