

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING Regional Incentives Program Amendment for The United Counties of Stormont Dundas and Glengarry

TAKE NOTICE – that the Council of the Corporation of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry (SDG) will hold a Public Meeting on behalf of the six local SDG municipalities as per Section 28 of the *Planning Act* on Thursday, April 8, 2021, commencing at 6:00 P.M. on **Zoom**.

THE PURPOSE AND EFFECT – The purpose of the Public Meeting is to provide an opportunity for Council to receive input from the public and stakeholders in respect to a proposed Amendment to the SDG Regional Incentives Program Official Document and Terms of Reference.

The amendment is intended to modify the eligibility criteria relating to the program and to adjust the funding parameters of the grant categories. The modifications are also intended to correct technical errors and clarify policies for ease of use and interpretation.

The SDG Regional Incentives Program and Action Plan was implemented in 2018 after a year of review and public consultations. The program supports strategic economic development initiatives in the following areas:

- Tourism, agriculture-related, agri-tourism uses, and facility improvement projects.
- Adaptive re-use of commercial, institutional, and industrial buildings.
- Development of permanent, roofed accommodations.

Regional financial incentives are available in the following municipalities:

- The Township of North Dundas
- The Municipality of South Dundas
- The Township of North Stormont
- The Township of South Stormont
- The Township of North Glengarry
- The Township of South Glengarry

The SDG Regional Incentives Program is incorporated into each local municipal Community Improvement Plan (CIP) and offers additional economic development tools. The proposed amendments would only apply to the County-related portions of the CIP and would be identical for all municipalities.

TAKE NOTICE THAT the United Counties of SDG is now conducting all public meetings virtually through Zoom. Members of the public will have the ability to watch meeting proceedings and participate, where appropriate, as detailed below.

All public meetings are livestreamed on the United Counties of SDG YouTube page. To watch the livestream, go to: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC 3kS 1PyhLSbTCCdpAUQeg

Members of the public who wish to participate in meetings will be able to do so by joining our Zoom meeting on their device, or by dialing in from a phone (long distance charges may apply). **Registration** is required in advance of the meeting at:

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ESzbeFUGQDWmSFzr1EUQ9A

ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed amendment to the Regional Incentives Program.

IF A PERSON or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the local municipality to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal but the person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to SDG or the local municipality before the amendments are adopted, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

IF A PERSON or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to SDG or the local municipality before the proposed amendments are adopted, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal there is reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

IF YOU WISH TO BE NOTIFIED of the adoption of the amendments to the Regional Incentives Program, you must make a written request to the Manager of Economic Development at the address below or via email to tkirkpatrick@sdgcounties.ca, or you can contact the Clerk of your local municipality.



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION relating to the amendments are available on the SDG website and at the local municipal offices.

DATED this 16th day of March, 2021

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