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May 25, 2021

Ms. Jabbour, Secretary-Treasurer/Planner Committee of Adjustment Town of Essex 33 Talbot Street South Essex, ON N8M 1A8

Dear Ms. Jabbour:

RE: Zoning By-Law Amendment ZBA-04-21

96 COUNTY RD 50

ARN 375464000019200; PIN: 751920353

Applicant: ESSEX TOWN

The following is provided as a result of our review of Zoning By-Law Amendment ZBA-04-21 for the construction of a two-storey Motel development with thirty-two (32) guestrooms.

DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITY TO REPRESENT THE PROVINCIAL INTEREST IN NATURAL HAZARDS AND REGULATORY RESPONSIBILITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES ACT

The following comments reflect our role as representing the provincial interest in natural hazards as outlined by Section 3.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act* as well as our regulatory role as defined by Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

We have reviewed our floodline mapping for this area and it has been determined this site is not located within a regulated area that is under the jurisdiction of the ERCA (Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*). As a result, a permit is not required from ERCA for issues related to Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*, Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alteration to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation under the *Conservations Authorities Act*, (Ontario Regulation No. 158/06).

WATERSHED BASED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

The following comments are provided in an advisory capacity as a public commenting body on matters related to watershed management.

The subject property may lie wholly or partially within the Event Based Area (EBA) of the Essex Region Source Protection Plan, which came into effect October 1, 2015. The Source Protection Plan was developed to provide measures to protect Essex Region's municipal drinking water sources. As a result of these policies, new projects in these areas may require approval by the Essex Region Risk

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Management Official (RMO) to ensure that appropriate actions are taken to mitigate any potential drinking water threats. Should your proposal require the installation of fuel storage on the site, please contact the RMO to ensure the handling and storage of fuel will not pose a significant risk to local sources of municipal drinking water. The Essex Region's Risk Management Official can be reached by email at riskmanagement@erca.org or 519-776-5209 ext 214. For any questions regarding Source Water Protection and the applicable source protection plan policies that may apply to the site, please contact the Essex Region Risk Management Official.

SECTION 1.6.6.7 Stormwater Management (PPS, 2020)

ERCA has concerns with the potential impact of the quality and quantity of runoff in the downstream watercourse due to the proposed development on this site. ERCA recommends that stormwater quality and stormwater quantity will need to be addressed up to and including the 1:100 year storm event and be in accordance with the guidance provided by the Stormwater Management Planning and Guidance Manual, prepared by the Ministry of the Environment (MOE, March 2003) and the "Windsor-Essex Region Stormwater Management Standards Manual".

We further recommend that the stormwater management analysis be completed to the satisfaction of the Municipality. We do not require further consultation on this file with respect to stormwater management.

PLANNING ADVISORY SERVICE TO PLANNING AUTHORITIES - NATURAL HERITAGE POLICIES OF THE PPS, 2020

The following comments are provided from our perspective as an advisory service provider to the Planning Authority on matters related to natural heritage and natural heritage systems as outlined in Section 2.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement of the *Planning Act*. The comments in this section do not necessarily represent the provincial position and are advisory in nature for the consideration of the Planning Authority.

The subject property is not within or adjacent to any natural heritage feature that may meet the criteria for significance as defined by the PPS. Based on our review, we have no objection to the application with respect to the natural heritage policies of the PPS.



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FINAL RECOMMENDATION

With the review of background information and aerial photograph, ERCA has no object to this application for Zoning By-Law Amendment.

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Vitra Chodha, E.P Resource Planner

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