



# Staff Report

## Administration – Town Clerk

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**Report To:** COW-Operations\_Planning\_and\_Development\_Services  
**Meeting Date:** October 8, 2024  
**Report Number:** FAF.24.119  
**Title:** Grey County Staff Report “Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery”  
**Prepared by:** Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

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### A. Recommendations

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THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.119, entitled “Grey County Staff Report entitled “Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery, PDR-CW-52-24”, for information.

### B. Overview

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This report is being provided in response to the September 30, 2024 Council resolution directing staff to include the Grey County Staff Report entitled “Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery, PDR-CW-52-24” on the October 8, 2024 Committee of the Whole Agenda.

### C. Background

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At the September 30, 2024 Council Meeting, Council received correspondence from Grey County regarding staff report PRD.CW.52.54 and passed the following resolutions:

- a) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Sarah Goldrup, Deputy Clerk, Grey County Re: Grey County Report PDR-CW-52-24 Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery;

AND THAT Council direct staff to bring forward Grey County Staff Report PDR-CW-52-24 on the revised Committee of the Whole Agenda on October 8<sup>th</sup> 2024, outlining whether more time can be provided by Grey County, concerns raised to date, and discussion in advance of the feedback by Grey Council imposed deadline of October 18, 2024, Carried.

- b) THAT, in response to the September 16, 2024 correspondence of Sarah Goldrup, Deputy Clerk, Grey County Re: Grey County Report PDR-CW-52-24 Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery, Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains expresses its concern and reservation on the proposed planning plan, put forward by Grey County Council, Carried.

## **D. Analysis**

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The Grey County Planning Staff Report PDR.CW.52.54 “Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery” was considered by Grey County Committee of the Whole at its September 12, 2024 meeting, following which, all lower tier municipalities received the September 16, 2024 correspondence from Grey County with the following Grey County resolution:

THAT Report PDR-CW-52-24 regarding a shared services model for planning services be received; and

THAT correspondence be sent to each member municipality in Grey County, requesting feedback on the potential centralized planning service model by October 18, 2024, Carried.

Staff are bringing this report forward to provide Grey County Report “PDR.CW.52.54 Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery”.

Town staff have provided a copy of the Town of The Blue Mountains September 30, 2024 Council resolutions in response to the Grey County correspondence, to the Grey County Clerk’s Office for their information. In response, County staff have acknowledged receipt and have confirmed that there will continue to be opportunities to provide feedback to the County beyond the October 18, 2024 deadline with respect to the shared service delivery discussions.

## **E. Strategic Priorities**

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### **1. Communication and Engagement**

We will enhance communications and engagement between Town Staff, Town residents and stakeholders

### **2. Organizational Excellence**

We will continually seek out ways to improve the internal organization of Town Staff and the management of Town assets.

## **F. Environmental Impacts**

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None

## **G. Financial Impacts**

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No financial impact is being anticipated as a result of this information report.

## **H. In Consultation With**

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None

## **I. Public Engagement**

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The topic of this Staff Report has not been the subject of a Public Meeting and/or a Public Information Centre as neither a Public Meeting nor a Public Information Centre are required. However, any comments regarding this report should be submitted to Corrina Giles, Town Clerk [townclerk@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:townclerk@thebluemountains.ca).

## **J. Attached**

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1. Grey County Correspondence dated September 16, 2024 regarding PDR.CW.52.54 Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery
2. PDR.CW.52.54 Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery

Respectfully submitted,

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### Report Approval Details

Document Title:	FAF.24.119 Grey County Report, Investigating Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery, PDR-CW-52-24.docx
Attachments:	- Att 1 Grey County letter dated September 16, 2024 Re Investigating Shared Services Model for Planning.pdf - Att 2 County-of-Grey-Re-Staff-Report-PDR.CW-52-54-Planning-Efficiencies-Centralized-Service-Model-Next-Steps.pdf
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

**Shawn Everitt - Oct 3, 2024 - 8:12 AM**