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To: Warden Mitch Twolan

Members of the Executive Committee

From: Murray Clarke

Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Date: January 10, 2019

Re: Ontario Nuclear Innovation Institute Update

Recommendation:

The Ontario Nuclear Innovation Institute Update report is for information.

Executive Summary:

Since the announcement in November by Bruce Power that they no longer considered the Museum and Cultural Centre as a viable alternative to the Ontario Nuclear Innovation Institute, a number of meetings have occurred between Bruce Power and Bruce County. This report is provided for information to Committee to update on those discussions and highlight next steps to continue to advance the project and the partnership.

Overview:

As of late December, Bruce Power has approached the County about adding the Museum location back onto the list of viable alternatives that have been prepared by Saugeen Shores and is currently being evaluated for suitability. The other options on that list are:

- 1. Southampton Town Hall
- 2. Southampton Jubilee Park
- 3. Southampton Market
- 4. Port Elgin Maple Square Mall

The following have been highlighted as probable next steps to advance the Institute decision making over the coming month:

1. Bruce Power/ONII will determine a minimum amount of square footage and other building requirements for the facility (Complete: Jan 18th).

- 2. Bruce County will confirm its building requirements for the museum location archive expansion as well as the financial commitment to the archives (Complete: Jan 18th).
- 3. ONII (Stellina) to work with the County and Saugeen Shores on the top alternative options selected for Saugeen Shores to determine the costs, risks and opportunities of a Plan B to the Museum complete by January 25th.
- 4. ONII (Stellina) can take the lead to engage a new architect in order to advance discussions following Jan 18th to determine the constraints and options on the Museum site and also some range of costs for the Bruce Power/ONII Portion and the County Portion (Archives) in terms of capital investment. We would look to have this work completed by February 8th.
- 5. Convene a meeting to review the museum option and alternative options if this is deemed as a no-go after February 8th to forward next step decision-making.

Additionally, the following recommendations have been made by Bruce Power:

- 1. An oversight committee with James Scognack, Murray Clarke, Mitch Twolan, Frank Saunders, Stellina Williams and Kara Van Myall will be struck to navigate through the siting decision, work underway, communications and additional consideration.
- 2. A small team that John Peevers (Bruce Power Communications) will lead with all stakeholders will work to develop a communications/outreach plan overview that can also be reviewed after February 8th for the next 12 months on the strategy, roles/responsibilities, key communication vehicles and announcements.

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Considerations:

In addition to discussion of the points raised above, Committee may want to consider the following as well:

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2. A further consideration should be made to completing a comprehensive Business Plan for the ONII with a timeline that aligns with the one outlined above. Right now, if you picture a house with three rooms, we need to complete the Business Plan for the third room (Secretariat and Business Incubator complete in the Bruce Centre of Excellence Business Plan) and we need to add a roof to the entire structure which identifies both funding and operational needs. Frank Saunders has indicated that he is engaging Deloitte to advance this work. The suggestion would be to have this timing aligned with the next steps that were outlined above - complete by February 8th.

Summary:

Staff will report back in February with a further update to Committee on these next steps with the goal of presenting a unified Business Plan and location to Committee on March 21st. A potential announcement of the advancement of the ONII could then be scheduled for late March / Early April.

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