

**MUNICIPALITY OF CHATHAM-KENT**  
**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**  
**BUILDING, ENFORCEMENT AND LICENSING SERVICES**

**TO:** Mayor and Members of Council

**FROM:** Paul Lacina, C.B.O.  
Director, Building, Enforcement and Licensing Services

**DATE:** November 6, 2012

**SUBJECT:** FIT Endorsement – Adelaide Solar Energy Inc.

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**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that:

1. Council endorse the installation of solar panels throughout the Municipality of Chatham-Kent under the Ontario Green Energy Act (GEA) and the Ontario Power Authority's (OPA) Feed-in Tariff (FIT) program version 2.0, at the following locations:
  - Ward 4**
    - 943 Wellington Street (2000 panels)
2. Council support without reservation the construction and operation of the projects. This resolution's sole purpose is to enable the participants in the FIT program to receive priority points under the FIT program and may not be used for the purpose of any other form of municipal approval in relation to the application or projects or any other purpose.

**BACKGROUND**

In May 2009, the Province of Ontario established the Green Energy Act and a Feed-in Tariff (FIT) was implemented by the Ontario Power Authority (OPA).

The FIT 2.0 was released on August 12, 2012. As part of FIT 2.0, the Province and OPA will award contracts based upon a point system. Favorable points will be given for an application if it is endorsed by the Municipality within which the project is located. The awarding of the points positions the application more favourably with OPA, but it does not grant Council authority to approve nor decline an application to the OPA. The newly prescribed OPA endorsement form [(August 12, 2012) Attachment A] requires Council's motion to be of the wording above, in particular, 'without reservation'.

Adelaide is a solar energy owner and operator company located in Vaughan, Ontario. Adelaide Solar Energy Inc. provides diversified, professionally managed portfolios of rooftop solar generating (PV) facilities in Ontario.

### **COMMENTS**

Adelaide Solar Energy Inc. proposes to develop 1 rooftop solar facility in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent. This solar installation will generate approximately 0.5 megawatts of power.

### **COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN**

The recommendations in this report do not impact, negatively or positively, a specific objective of the Community Strategic Plan. It is a neutral issue.

### **CONSULTATION**

The Senior Planner of Planning Services, Community Development was consulted to review the proposed properties and comment if they are on potential heritage designated properties.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications resulting from these recommendations.

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Attachment: A – Prescribed Form/Template: Municipal Council Support Resolution

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# **PRESCRIBED FORM/TEMPLATE: MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BLANKET SUPPORT RESOLUTION**

**Section 6.1(d)(i) - FIT Rules, Version 2.0**

OPARP/F-FIT-014r1

Capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed thereto in the FIT Rules, Version 2.0.

**Resolution NO:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS** the Province's FIT Program encourages the construction and operation of

\_\_\_\_\_ e.g. rooftop solar, ground mount solar, bioenergy, on-shore wind \_\_\_\_\_ generation projects (the "Projects");

**AND WHEREAS** one or more Projects may be constructed and operated in \_\_\_\_\_ insert the name of the Local Municipality \_\_\_\_\_;

**AND WHEREAS**, pursuant to the rules governing the FIT Program (the "FIT Rules"), Applications whose Projects receive the formal support of Local Municipalities will be awarded Priority Points, which may result in these Applicants being offered a FIT Contract prior to other persons applying for FIT Contracts;

## **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council of the \_\_\_\_\_ insert the name of the Local Municipality \_\_\_\_\_ supports without reservation the construction and operation of the Projects anywhere in \_\_\_\_\_ insert the name of the Local Municipality \_\_\_\_\_.

This resolution's sole purpose is to enable the participants in the FIT Program to receive priority points under the FIT Program and may not be used for the purpose of any other form of municipal approval in relation to the Application or Projects or any other purpose.

This resolution shall expire twelve (12) months after its adoption by Council.

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*(Note: signature lines for councilors or other representatives, as appropriate)*

FIT reference number: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Note: Must be inserted by Applicant to complete Application)*