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Sent via Email: tmacdonald@orangeville.ca

Tracy MacDonald
Assistant Clerk
Town of Orangeville

Dear Tracy MacDonald:

Re: File No.: IC-20293-1022: Town of Orangeville Integrity Commissioner Annual Report – Operating Period August 1, 2021 to July 31, 2022

Thank you for the opportunity to act as the Integrity Commissioner for the Town of Orangeville (the “Town”) over the past year. In accordance with the terms of the Agreement between the Town and ADR Chambers pursuant to section 223.6(1) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, we are providing our annual report for the first operating period of the Agreement covering the period August 1, 2021 to July 31, 2022.

As you know, the Integrity Commissioner’s role is to help Members of Council (“Members”) ensure that they are performing their functions in accordance with the Town Council’s Code of Conduct (the “Code”) and the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50 (the “MCIA”). The Integrity Commissioner is available to educate and provide advice to Members on matters governing their ethical behaviour and compliance with the Town’s Code and the MCIA.

The Integrity Commissioner is also responsible for receiving, assessing, and investigating appropriate complaints made by Council Members, and members of the public respecting alleged breaches of the Code by Members of Council. Additionally, the Integrity Commissioner investigates complaints received from electors of the Town or persons demonstrably acting in the public interest that allege that a Council Member has contravened the provisions of the MCIA.

Complaints

During this operating period, I received one Code of Conduct complaint. This complaint was investigated and reported upon. A breach of the Code was found, however, no penalty was recommended or imposed.

Requests for Advice

One Request for Advice was received and responded to during this operating period.

The Request for Advice by Members must always be made in writing to the Integrity Commissioner. Similarly, the advice given to Members by the Integrity Commissioner is always provided in writing, and in accordance with the provisions of the Town's Code and the applicable provisions of the MCI.A.

Advice from the Integrity Commissioner should not be considered to constitute legal advice, and Members are always encouraged to seek the advice of their personal solicitor should they believe legal advice is necessary.

Education Session

During this operating period, I attended a Council Meeting on October 25, 2021 for the purpose of providing educational information about the Code of Conduct and the role of the Integrity Commissioner. A PowerPoint presentation was prepared and presented to Council Members. Following the presentation, I responded to questions from Members of Council.

Billings

A summary of billing for the year is included in this Annual Report as Appendix 1.

Final Comments

I look forward to further assisting the Town and its Members in contending with the issues that may arise in connection with the administration of its Code of Conduct in the coming year.

Yours very truly,



Charles A. Harnick
Integrity Commissioner for the Town of Orangeville

APPENDIX 1
Summary of Billing

Billing for the year to date has totaled \$ 8,938.30, as detailed below.

Invoice Number	Date	Fees	HST	Total
7269	08/05/2021	\$2,000.00	\$260.00	\$2,260.00
8028	10/06/2021	\$1,050.00	\$136.50	\$1,186.50
8063	11/05/2021	\$1,440.00	\$187.20	\$1,627.20
8246	05/09/2021	\$3,420.00	\$444.60	\$3,864.60
TOTAL		\$7,910.00	\$1,028.30	\$8,938.30