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## Council Connect: Highlights from the August 13, 2019 Meeting of Council

Here are the highlights from the Regular Meeting at Council this evening:

**Municipal Modernization Fund:** Council approved 19 projects to be implemented under the Municipal Modernization Fund. The fund is approximately \$620,000 from the Ontario government to help improve efficiency and reduce expenses in the future. Some of the projects in the list include webcasting of Council meetings, digital signature software, additional free wifi spots through Town, online permit payments and an organizational review.

**Call for Award Nominations:** the Town's annual awards application schedule was approved with the annual deadline held at October 31 with a special meeting scheduled for November 26 to consider the nominees. The award ceremony will be held during Volunteer Week in April 2020.

**Call for Committees:** six of the Town's committees will be seeking new members in 2020 with Council's approval of the 'Call for Committees' Report. Council received an update on the accomplishments of the Seniors and Youth Advisory Committees at the meeting and endorsed the call for next years' representatives. Nominees for the Committees will be considered at a Special Meeting of Council on November 26, 2019.

**Tecumseh Transit:** in the six-month report provided to Council, rates of ridership show a moderate increase in ridership from 2018. Following public consultation, transit service was revised in May 2018. The revisions included shifting routes and removing stops to allow for transit service provide optimal service and meet schedules.

**Development Charges:** following the public consultation on Development Charges, Administration recommended two options for implementation. Council approved Option A which will see no phased in approach of development charges which holds with the previous approach to these charges.

**Former Victoria Public School property:** a Public Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. for the application submitted for the former Victoria Public School Property on Dillon Drive. The developer has proposed a 63-unit residential development. The meeting is part of the Planning Act and the public has an opportunity to provide comments. Anyone interested in presenting as a delegation is encouraged to reach out to the Clerk's office at [lmoy@tecumseh.ca](mailto:lmoy@tecumseh.ca) or [jalexander@tecumseh.ca](mailto:jalexander@tecumseh.ca).

The next Regular Meeting of Council is September 10, 2019 at 7 p.m. Full agenda details will be available on the Town's website Thursday, September 5.

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