

Kathleen Wilson Delegation February 15, 2022 to items below:

7.2 Creation of Eco-Business Parks throughout the Town of Caledon

This Notice of Motion confuses me and is misleading to residents. On April 20, 2021 The Resilient Caledon Action Plan read to Council did not have this in their action plan to cover the Eco-Business parks in the Staff Report does not include Eco-Business parks but does cover

Table 7. Summary of the Resilient Caledon Plan actions.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS	
SMART GROWTH	
1	Establish climate-friendly land-use and building policies.
2	Protect communities from flood risks.
3	Promote the development of compact, complete communities.
SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES	
4	Retrofit homes, institutions, and commercial buildings to be net zero and climate resilient by 2040.
5	Reduce community-wide waste generation and improve water conservation.
6	Develop and upgrade emergency response plans so that all town residents, staff, businesses, and community organizations are prepared for climate-related emergencies.
7	Green Caledon's economy by supporting existing businesses in becoming low carbon and climate resilient, attracting new businesses, and diversifying energy supply.
8	Enhance community capacity by engaging and empowering residents, businesses, community groups, and schools to take action on climate.
AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL SYSTEMS	
9	Support a resilient food and agriculture sector across Caledon.
10	Protect Caledon's natural and agricultural lands.
11	Restore and enhance natural features on public and private land.
LOW-CARBON TRANSPORTATION	
12	Increase walking and cycling through improved programs and infrastructure.
13	Expand Caledon's transit network in alignment with new growth areas.
14	Expand Caledon's EV charging network and encourage the adoption of low-carbon vehicles.
RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENERGY	
15	Diversify Caledon's energy supply with renewable and resilient energy sources and systems.
16	Enhance the capacity of Town roads and bridges to withstand extreme weather impacts.
17	Upgrade stormwater plans and practices to reduce risks from extreme weather events.
18	Ensure Town facilities are carbon neutral and climate resilient by 2040.
19	Embed climate change considerations into the Town's Asset Management planning process.



What I find distressing is that the MZO's to convert prime farmland into warehouses and sprawling subdivisions were supported by all but 2 Councillors. I have delegated in the past that as of June 8/21 the 30 applications are gobbling up a significant amount of Prime Ag and

Environmentally sensitive lands up for Development in Caledon sat at 2635 acres and I am sure that this now exceeds 3200 acres with the additional applications

Ward	Number of Applications converting Prime Agricultural Land and EPA Land [as of June 8/21]	Total Hectares	Total Acres
1	2	110.78	273.74
2	8	356.10	879.94
3	4	100.67	248.76
4	13	488.33	1206.69
5	3	10.48	25.90
TOTALS	30	1066.36	2635.03

In the motion is states to direct staff to look at geothermal energy and carbon neutral development on these employment lands. E-Commerce and warehousing as eco-friendly is an oxymoron, these types of employment spew more GHG and destroy more environmentally sensitive lands in the pure nature of their existence. The lack of SMART goals and objectives, within the Motion leaves way too much room for interpretation and the Resilient Caledon Plan does not have any actions listed on how to address this. SMART goals need to be Smart,

S – Specific. This means that objectives must be clear, for example it must state how this motion would address the GHG and Climate crisis

M – Measurable. A business must be able to measure whether they have met an objective. ...

A – Agreed

R – Realistic

T – Time-bound.

Councillor Innis, why did you put this motion forward after 10 months after the Resilient Climate Change Plan and Staff Report 2021-0121, but openly support the 413, MZO's for Amazon warehousing and approving applications on Prime agricultural land and Environmentally Sensitive lands?

7.4 Councillor J. Innis - Attracting the Food Science Sector to Caledon

On paper I can support this motion, I am concerned that this motion lacks SMART goals and the many of the actions and approvals by council are in opposition of supporting food sciences and agriculture as we continue destroy lands for e-commerce and warehousing. What this motion lacks is how to enforce the preservation of Agricultural as Reserve lands, to protect them to ensure that the Food Science sector would find Caledon attractive. We can't destroy these lands as we are in a climate crisis. You only need to go to a grocery store to see the perils of relying on other countries for our food. The motion seems empty as we continue to rezone Prime Agricultural land to facilitate e-commerce, warehousing and non-renewable/circular economies.

7.5 Councillor J. Innis – Designation of Lands for Post-Secondary Education Opportunities

Preservation of Land for Post Secondary, while this motion seems to be a great effort, with the lack of connected public transit into Caledon. We lack affordable rental housing for students and staff, I find this motion pre-mature and during an election year possibly misleading to voters.