

# Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development Development Review - Rural Affairs 2018 Budget Briefing Note

## Description

Development Review - Rural Affairs is part of the Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development (PIED) Department, a department that champions the city-building agenda – from planning and delivering growth activities and infrastructure, to managing our assets and investments, to fostering economic prosperity.

Development Review – Rural Services reports through the Agricultural and Rural Affairs Committee. Rural Affairs provides for the continuation of services to the rural community while positioning the department to support the development and implementation of a rural Economic Development strategy.

## Programs/Services Offered

- Provide multi-disciplinary review and approval of development applications in the rural area (including planning, engineering, urban design, parks, environment and trees, transportation and heritage considerations)
- Manage rural issues and projects through the Rural Affairs Office
- Implement the priorities that arose during the Rural Summits
- Support the activities for the planning and promotion of the Mayor's Rural Expo
- Deliver the Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program
- Administer the rural grant programs
- Support for various buy local activities such as Savour Ottawa (can remove French if you are translating)

- Partner with other agencies to deliver various rural youth development initiatives
- Support implementation of Rural Directional Signage Program and other signage initiatives
- Support investment into rural infrastructure including roads, ditches and pathways
- Outreach to rural community and promotion of City services to rural residents
- Administer the review, reporting and enforcement responsibilities related to the City's source water protection plans under the Clean Water Act
- Administer municipal approvals for the Province's Feed-In Tariff (FIT) Program
- Support departmental delivery of various programs and services to rural residents
- Locally administer the Line Fences Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter L.17