THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

BY-LAW NO. 98-2011

A BY-LAW TO DELEGATE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S POWER TO HOLD HEARINGS UNDER THE *DEVELOPMENT CHARGES ACT, 1997* <u>TO THE INTEGRATED COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE</u>

WHEREAS Section 20 of the *Development Charges Act, 1997* (the "Act") permits a person required to pay development charges to complain to the Council of the municipality imposing the development charge; and

WHEREAS Complainants are entitled under the Act to make representations at a hearing before Council; and

WHEREAS Regional Council may delegate the power to hear such complaints to a Committee of Council; and

WHEREAS Regional Council adopted the Terms of Reference for the Regional Development Charge Task Force on March 3, 2011, stating that appeals of staff decisions respecting development charges may go to "an appropriate Standing Committee of Council".

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Regional Municipality of Niagara enacts as follows:

- 1. The power under the *Development Charges Act, 1997* to hold hearings into complaints about development charges is hereby delegated to the Integrated Community Planning Committee.
- 2. Following such hearings, the Integrated Community Planning Committee shall make recommendations for consideration and determination by the full Regional Council.
- 3. This By-law takes effect on the day it is passed.

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Original Signed By:

(Gary Burroughs, Regional Chair)

Original Signed By:

(Kevin Bain, Regional Clerk)

Passed: September 15, 2011