

# Oshawa-Danilexa JV, developer of "Scotch Block Solar Farm"

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Mayor and Members of Council  
City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, ON L8P 4Y5

**Re: Large Renewable Procurement 1 RFP: Proposed Solar Project in Hamilton (Ward 12)**

Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

We are writing today to introduce ourselves and our proposed "**Scotch Block Solar Farm**" renewable energy project to you.

The proponent of this proposed project is Oshawa-Danilexa JV, a joint venture between Oshawa Power and Utility Corporation and Danilexa Holdings Inc., both companies with extensive experience in renewable energy projects. We are working together to build a 10,000 kW (kilowatt) ground-mounted solar photovoltaic project at 1541 Fiddler's Green Rd (the proposed Project), in the old Scotch Block of Ancaster (Ward 12). The proposal is in response to Ontario's Large Renewable Procurement 1 ("LRP1") as recently announced by the Independent Electricity System Operator ("IESO").

Ontario's LRP1 process contains mandatory and optional steps for municipal engagement. Without completing these steps, a proponent is unlikely to receive a contract from IESO. It is in this very important context that we have approached the City of Hamilton to work with us to fulfill the municipal engagement aspects of Ontario's IESO LRP1 process.

As you are aware, municipal consultation is an important part of this renewable energy procurement process. We have been in discussions with staff in the City's Planning and Economic Development Department about the possibility of using a parcel of land within the Airport Employment Growth District (AEGD) (see attached map). It is currently zoned agricultural, but the Official Plan envisions commercial development and growth on these lands in the years to come. This proposed Project has been strategically sited so as to fall into the AEGD and not the Greenbelt Protected Countryside. The AEGD appear to be the most compatible use designation for such a project. The proposed Project is also of particular value to 1541 Fiddler's Green as there is a special Heritage House on the property that requires restoration. Oshawa-Danilexa JV would commit to restoring and maintaining the on-site Heritage house if the proposed Project proceeds.

Upon a successful IESO LRP1 bid outcome, Oshawa-Danilexa JV will commit to the following items to help the City of Hamilton meet its Economic Development Strategy 2010-2015; Strategic Objective 1.1 "Continue to grow the non-residential tax base" and Strategic Objective 1.6 "Enhance Overall Sustainability (financial, economic, social and environmental)" from the City's 2012-2015 Strategic Plan:

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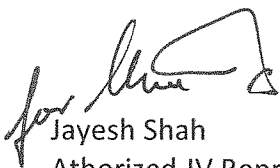
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- The City of Hamilton will retain the rights to review and comment on the Renewable Energy Approval documents and process;
- The developer commits to restoring and maintaining the Heritage building on site, the Forest Lane Farms House (aka the Russell-Christie House), for the lifetime of the proposed Project's operation of 20 years;
- The developer commits to working with the City to mitigate any potential visual impacts through berms or vegetation;
- The developer commits to working with the City to address any potential drainage or grading concerns;
- The developer commits to maintaining noise levels below the MOECC guidelines during the lifetime of the proposed Project's operation;
- The developer commits to working with the City on all right of way concerns;
- The developer commits to collaborating on traffic flow concerns during construction; and
- The developer commits to restricting physical construction of the proposed Project to a 12 month time frame.

As a next step, we would like to meet with the elected representatives of the City of Hamilton and discuss this potential Project directly to obtain Council support as we move forward. Being a good neighbour and earning a place for ourselves in the community are important values for us and for this proposed Project, and we are eager to explore the ways in which this proposal could benefit the City of Hamilton.

Yours truly,  
Oshawa-Danilexa JV



Jayesh Shah  
Authorized JV Representative