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BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS

November 30, 2025

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Township of Springwater
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Matter No. 33222-0002

Attention: Renee Ainsworth

RE: Barrie Annexation Discussion

Please find enclosed herewith our Statement of Account for services rendered with regard to the above-noted matter to and including November 26, 2025 which we trust you will find satisfactory.

If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

LOOPSTRA NIXON LLP
Per:

[redacted]

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Encl.

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Invoice No. 185609

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

TO OUR FEE FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES rendered in connection with the above-noted matter through to November 26, 2025.

OUR FEE	$50,190.50
HST on Fees @ 13%	$6,524.77
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Total Disbursements	($1,533.39)
HST on Disbursements	($199.34)
Total Fees, Disbursements and HST	**$54,982.54**

The above account represents a summary of the professional services rendered to you, and this firm reserves the right to provide further particulars of our professional services rendered in the event the same is required or requested.

THIS IS OUR STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT HEREIN
LOOPSTRA NIXON LLP
Per:



Quinto M. Annibale
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In accordance with the Solicitor's Act, interest will be charged on this account until paid, at the rate of 2.0% per annum, commencing one month after delivery, E. & O.E. * HST No. 122610298RT0001

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Billing Detail Report to 26-Nov-2025

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FEES

Date	Narrative	Professional	Time
03-Nov-2025	To multiple correspondence and telephone calls with C. Lee and Q. Annibale; To correspondence to client	BXR	[redacted]
03-Nov-2025	To email from B. Ruddick re: revised draft opinion re: Minister's powers, review same; To email from Q. Annibale	AEW	
04-Nov-2025	To e-mail to A. Whyte;	QMA	
04-Nov-2025	To further review of case law re jurisdiction question	BXR	
04-Nov-2025	To emails w/ Q. Annibale re: binder of legal opinions	AEW	
06-Nov-2025	To receipt and review of Council direction; To e-mail to the team; To correspondence from R. Ainsworth;	QMA	
06-Nov-2025	To receipt and review of Council direction; To e-mail to the team; To correspondence from R. Ainsworth;	QMA	
06-Nov-2025	To correspondence with co-counsel	BXR	
06-Nov-2025	To emails from Q. Annibale, review correspondence from R. Ainsworth; To email from C. Lee	AEW	
07-Nov-2025	To correspondence from R. Ainsworth (2 times); To conducting legal research; To attendance at meeting with C. Lee, B. Ruddick and A. Whyte; To correspondence with R. Ainsworth (2 times); To telephone conference with C. Lee re process to be followed;	QMA	
07-Nov-2025	To e-mail from C. Lee re procedural by-law; To further legal research;	QMA	

07-Nov-2025	Call with C.Lee and municipal team re: inquiry under section 274 of the municipal act	AJP
07-Nov-2025	Review of precedent for judicial inquiry and instructions to J.Plender via Teams. call with J. Plenders and review emails between litigation team	AJP
07-Nov-2025	To multiple meetings and correspondence re resolution and next steps; To review of veto and staff direction and consideration of legal effect of same; To review of Council resolution; To research and review of precedents and case law;	BXR
07-Nov-2025	To review Municipal Act re: confirmatory by-laws; To email from Q. Annibale; To mtg w/ Q. Annibale, C. Lee and B. Ruddick; To review Municipal Act re: s. 274 case law; To mtg w/ C. Lee, A. Pillecci, J. Plender and B. Ruddick re: next steps	AEW
07-Nov-2025	To internal conference with C. Lee re Barrie Annexation Bylaw and preliminary research re same; and To conference call with C. Lee, A. Pilieci, B. Ruddick, and A. Whyte re strategy; and To research regarding S.274 of the Municipal Act and finding precedent municipal judicial inquiries; and To further internal conferences with A. Pilieci and C. Lee re same and strategy; and To internal correspondence with A. Pilieci, Q. Annibale, A. Whyte and B. Ruddick re same.	JOP
08-Nov-2025	To several telephone conference with the team to discuss next steps; To conducting legal research; To review of all matters;	QMA
08-Nov-2025	Review file, call and emails with litigation team, and review and revise Notice of Application	AJP
08-Nov-2025	To multiple correspondence with co-counsel; To review of draft NOA; To review of correspondence from Clerk; To correspondence with Q. Annibale; To telephone call with Q. Annibale	BXR
08-Nov-2025	To internal conference with C. Lee re file strategy and next steps; and To begin drafting Rules of Procedure for judicial inquiry.	JOP

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08-Nov-2025	To internal conference with C. Lee re Application to Quash Bylaw strategy; and To draft email to A. Pilieci, B. Ruddick, A. Whyte, C. Lee and Q. Annibale re next steps and strategy; and To draft Notice of Application to Quash Bylaw; and To further internal conferences with A. Pilieci, B. Ruddick, A. Whyte, C. Lee re Application and Resolution strategy; and To making further amendments to same; and To conducting research on the use of Strong Mayor Powers in Ontario.	JOP	[redacted]
09-Nov-2025	To drafting, engrossing and preparation of resolution of Council; To several telephone conferences with the team; To review of and amendments to the resolution; To telephone conference with Township people; To review of press reports;	QMA	
09-Nov-2025	To e-mail to the team re necessity of a confirming by-law; To e-mail from C. Lee re amendment to 6a; To e-mail to the team re readiness with court filing;	QMA	
09-Nov-2025	To multiple correspondence re draft resolution and next steps; To revisions to resolution; To review and comment on NOA; To multiple meetings and correspondence with co-counsel re same;	BXR	
09-Nov-2025	To correspondences w/ B. Ruddick and Q. Annibale; To drafting resolution, email to B. Ruddick; To edits to draft resolution; To mtg w/ Q. Annibale, C. Lee, J. Plender and B. Ruddick re: draft resolution, next steps; To revisions to draft resolution; To multiple correspondences w/ B. Ruddick, C. Lee and Q. Annibale	AEW	
09-Nov-2025	To continue drafting Notice of Application; and To internal conference with A. Pilieci, B. Ruddick, A. Whyte, C. Lee re draft Notice of Application and draft Resolution; and To revising Notice of Application accordingly.	JOP	
10-Nov-2025	To observing Council meeting; To correspondence with team (2 times); To correspondence from team;	QMA	
10-Nov-2025	To correspondence with the team; To e-mail to B. Ruddick; To telephone conference with B. Ruddick; To e-mail from B. Ruddick; To telephone conference with Councillor; To review of resolution; To review of procedural by-law;	QMA	
10-Nov-2025	To review of judicial proceedings;	QMA	

10-Nov-2025	Email correspondence with litigation team, further review and revisions to notice of applicaton, meetings with C.Lee and J. Plender, instructions to L.Stark re: letter to chief justice, review of letter to chief justice, calls and correspondence with C.Fotopolous re: issuance of notice of application and further emails to team and virtual attendance of township special meeting	AJP
10-Nov-2025	To multiple correspondence re Court action, potential request for judicial investigation, and related council resolution; To review of draft correspondence and updated notice of application	BXR
10-Nov-2025	To TC w/ C. Lee; To multiple correspondences w/ Q. Annibale and B. Ruddick	AEW
10-Nov-2025	To continue drafting Notice of Application and several revisions to same; and To internal conferences with C. Lee and A. Pilieci re Notice of Application; and To drafting letter to the Honourable Chief Justice Morawetz to initiate the Judicial Inquiry and to revising same; and To draft email to Michele Livingston (judicial assistant to CJ Morawetz) containing the letter.	JOP
10-Nov-2025	To attendance at the Special Council Meeting - November 10, 2025; and To internal correspondence with A. Whyte, A. Pilieci, and C. Lee re letter to Chief Justice Morawetz; and To internal conference with C. Lee and A. Whyte re amendments to draft Resolution to append to letter to Chief Justice Morawetz; and To appending final amended Resolution to the letter; and To sending letter to M. Livingston (judicial assistant to Justice Morawetz).	JOP
10-Nov-2025	To discussion with C. Lee. To telephone discussion with M. Livingston. To email communication with A. Pilieci and C. Lee.	LHS
10-Nov-2025	To call with A. Pilieci; to correspond with A. Pilieci and J. Plender; to file Notice of Application; to send confirmation of Notice of Application;	CMF
11-Nov-2025	To telephone conference with Councillor;	QMA
11-Nov-2025	To multiple correspondence re response to letters and next steps	BXR
12-Nov-2025	To office conference with B. Ruddick; To review of veto;	QMA
12-Nov-2025	To review of media reports;	QMA
13-Nov-2025	To e-mail to C. Lee (2 times); To telephone attempt on C. Lee; To e-mail from C. Lee; To office conference with A. Whyte;	QMA

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13-Nov-2025	To telephone conference with C. Lee; To receipt and review of correspondence from solicitor acting for the Mayor;	QMA
13-Nov-2025	To correspondence re letters to court and coordinating response to same	BXR
14-Nov-2025	To review of and amendment to letter;	QMA
14-Nov-2025	To multiple correspondence re letters to court and next steps	BXR
14-Nov-2025	To research re: resolutions and by-laws; To drafting letter re: Affleck Green McMurtry LLP letter re: judicial inquiry; To correspondences w/ J. Plender	AEW
14-Nov-2025	To rr emails from Q. Annibale; and To phone call with C. Lee re response letter to AGM and strategy re same; and To conducting research re Municipal Act, Regulation concerning Provincial Priorities, and operative Rules of Civil Procedure; and To drafting letter to Chief Justice Morawetz and internal correspondence, revising and redrafting same; and To finalizing letter to Chief Justice Morawetz, compiling documents to append and drafting email to Judicial Assistant of CJ Morawetz containing the letter.	JOP
17-Nov-2025	To research re: resolutions and by-laws, case law review, note to file	AEW
17-Nov-2025	To rr email from W. McLennan containing letter to CJ Morawetz and to reading same; and To internal conference with A. Pilieci re application strategy and next steps.	JOP
18-Nov-2025	To telephone conference with C. Lee;	QMA
18-Nov-2025	To telephone conference with Deputy Mayor; To office conference with B. Ruddick;	QMA
18-Nov-2025	To office conference with A. Whyte, B. Ruddick and C. Lee;	QMA
18-Nov-2025	To office conference with Q. Annibale; To review of correspondence to Court; To telephone call with C. Lee	BXR
18-Nov-2025	To office conference w/ Q. Annibale and B. Ruddick; To review correspondence from M. Binetti	AEW
19-Nov-2025	To drafting update correspondence to council and direction to R. Green re same; To correspondence with Q. Annibale; To correspondence from R. Green; To begin preparing draft procedural order and correspondence with J. Plender re same	BXR
19-Nov-2025	To review draft correspondence re: update to Council; To emails w/ B. Ruddick	AEW

19-Nov-2025	To internal conference with B. Ruddick re draft order for the Chief Justice re judicial inquiry and to providing a precedent example re same; and To draft email outlining similar orders from judicial inquiries in Ontario.	JOP
20-Nov-2025	To office conference with B. Ruddick re next steps;	QMA
20-Nov-2025	Call with C.Fotopoulos re: notice of application	AJP
20-Nov-2025	Review practice directions, email to C.Lee et al re: notice of application, call and emails to K.Fitzner.	AJP
20-Nov-2025	To internal correspondence with A. Pilieci re Notice of Application.	JOP
20-Nov-2025	To review correspondence from Court; to send correspondence to J. Plender, C. Lee and A. Pilieci; to call with A. Pilieci;	CMF
20-Nov-2025	Call with Amanda Pilieci; Review email from Court re NOA and review practice directions; Email to Trial Coordinator re scheduling application date; Call Barrie Trial Coordinators office;	KAF
21-Nov-2025	To receipt and review of correspondence from the Chief Judge; To correspondence with Council;	QMA
21-Nov-2025	Teams messages with K.Fitzner and email to litigation team re: hearing date for application	AJP
21-Nov-2025	Review of email from C.Lee and letter from superior court declining to conduct inquiry	AJP
21-Nov-2025	To correspondence re judicial inquiry request;	BXR
21-Nov-2025	To call Barrie Trial Coordinator;	KAF
24-Nov-2025	To call Barrie Trial Coordinator; To internal correspondence re update;	KAF
25-Nov-2025	To telephone conference with Councillor; To office conference with the team; To office conference with A. Whyte; To review of press release;	QMA
25-Nov-2025	Teams call with Christopher Lee and J. Plender to discuss application materials	AJP
25-Nov-2025	Begin drafting affidavit in support of application to quash by-law	AJP
25-Nov-2025	To internal conference with C. Lee and A. Pilieci re application to quash.	JOP
26-Nov-2025	To office conference with A. Whyte re boundaries of map;	QMA
26-Nov-2025	Further review of client documents and continue drafting affidvait in support of application.	AJP

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OUR FEE $50,190.50

Time Summary	**Hours**
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DISBURSEMENTS (E=HST exempt)	Amount
LexisNexis Recovery	(293.79)
LexisNexis Recovery	(619.80)
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Total Disbursements	($1,533.39)

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Statement No: 185609

Statement Date: 11/30/2025

Amount Due: $54,982.54

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PAYMENT OPTIONS

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