

**Subject: Approval of Ottawa Community Housing Corporation (OCHC) By-Law
13-2025**

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Report to Council 30 April 2025

**Submitted on April 23, 2025 by
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Ward: Citywide

**Objet : Approbation du règlement 13-2025 de la Société de logement
communautaire d'Ottawa (SLCO)**

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Rapport présenté au Conseil le 30 avril 2025

**Soumis le 23 avril 2025 par
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REPORT RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 1. That Ottawa Community Housing Corporation (OCHC) By-Law No. 12 be repealed and replaced with By-Law No. 13-2025, incorporating the changes described in this report and outlined in Document 4, and that Documents 1, 2 and 3 be received; and**
- 2. That the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign a written resolution on behalf of the City of Ottawa, as the shareholder of Ottawa Community Housing Corporation (OCHC), setting forth the resolutions approved by City Council.**

RECOMMANDATION(S) DU RAPPORT

- 1. Que le règlement no 12 de la Société de logement communautaire d'Ottawa (SLCO) soit abrogé et remplacé par le règlement no 13-2025, intégrant les changements décrits dans le présent rapport et décrits dans le document 4, et que les documents 1, 2 et 3 soient reçus ; et**
- 2. Que le maire et la greffière municipale soient autorisés à signer une résolution écrite au nom de la Ville d'Ottawa, en tant qu'actionnaire de la Société de logement communautaire d'Ottawa (SLCO), énonçant les résolutions approuvées par le Conseil municipal.**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As part of its commitment to effective governance, Ottawa Community Housing Corporation (OCHC) regularly reviews its Operating By-Law to ensure continued alignment with the Corporation's evolving governance needs, legislative requirements, and best practices.

Recent governance activities and compliance reviews have identified opportunities to clarify and strengthen the By-Law. The proposed amendments are intended to enhance transparency, accountability, and overall governance effectiveness.

Further details and rationale for each amendment are outlined in Document 2: Description of Proposed Amendments to By-Law 12.

RÉSUMÉ

Dans le cadre de son engagement à l'égard d'une gouvernance efficace, la Société de logement communautaire d'Ottawa (SLCO) examine régulièrement son règlement administratif afin de s'assurer qu'il demeure conforme à l'évolution des besoins de la Société en matière de gouvernance, aux exigences législatives et aux pratiques exemplaires.

Les récentes activités de gouvernance et les examens de conformité ont permis d'identifier des occasions de clarifier et de renforcer le règlement. Les modifications proposées visent à améliorer la transparence, la responsabilité et l'efficacité globale de la gouvernance.

De plus amples détails et la justification de chaque amendement sont présentés dans le document 2 : Description des amendements proposés au règlement 12.

BACKGROUND

This report is submitted for the Shareholder's approval of the updated By-Law of Ottawa Community Housing Corporation (OCHC). The By-Law outlines the Corporation's governance structure and includes key provisions that guide its operations. In keeping with applicable legislation and corporate governance best practices, any amendments to the By-Law require Shareholder approval.

DISCUSSION

Recommendation 1:

OCHC's Board of Directors is recommending that the Shareholder approve amendments to its current operating By-Law No. 12. The proposed amendments are described in Document 2 with the existing By-Law provided in Document 3 for reference. The amended By-Law No. 13-2025, included as Document 4, will be effective upon Shareholder approval.

Recommendation 2:

That the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign a written resolution on behalf of the City of Ottawa as Shareholder of OCHC setting out the resolutions approved by City Council.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications to the City associated with the approval of this report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no legal impediments to implementing the recommendations in this report.

COMMENTS BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR(S)

This item is citywide.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE(S) COMMENTS

Not applicable.

CONSULTATION

Notice of this meeting will be posted on the City's website as per Section 36 of the City's Procedure By-law.

ACCESSIBILITY IMPACTS

There are no accessibility implications with respect to implementing the recommendations set out in this report.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no asset management implications with respect to implementing the recommendations set out in this report.

CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

There are no climate implications with respect to implementing the recommendations set out in this report.

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY IMPLICATIONS

There is no delegation of authority implications with respect to implementing the recommendations set out in this report.

ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS

There are no economic implications with respect to implementing the recommendations set out in this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications with respect to implementing the recommendations set out in this report.

INDIGENOUS, GENDER AND EQUITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no Indigenous, or Gender and Equity implications associated with the report.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

There are no risk management implications with respect to implementing the recommendations set out in this report.

RURAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no rural implications associated with the report.

TECHNOLOGY IMPLICATIONS

There are no technology implications associated with this report.

TERM OF COUNCIL PRIORITIES

This report supports the 2023-2026 Term of Council Priority of a city that has affordable housing and is more livable for all. OCHC has maintained and increased the supply of affordable housing in Ottawa, making the city a better place to live.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- Document 1: Excerpt from the draft minutes of the March 6, 2025, Ottawa Community Housing Corporation (OCHC) Board of Directors meeting, approving a motion recommending that the Shareholder repeal OCHC By-Law No. 12 and replace it with a new By-Law No. 13-2025.
- Document 2: Description of Proposed Amendments to By-Law 12
- Document 3: OCHC By-Law No. 12 with Track Changes
- Document 4: Proposed OCHC By-Law No. 13-2025

DISPOSITION

Council Coordinator to convey the decisions of the Shareholder to the Ottawa Community Housing Corporation.