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Thursday, January 2, 2025

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

<b>Resolution # RC24282</b>	<b>Meeting Order: 5</b>
Moved by: <i>Joseph Opato</i>	Seconded by: <i>M Hatfield</i>

**RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa does hereby receive and support the resolution dated November 19, 2024 from the Township of Terrace Bay regarding Ambulance Shortages and Healthcare System Issues;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be shared with Minister Sylvia Jones, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann		
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato		

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL
<i>M. Pilon</i>	<i>Maury O'Neill</i>



# The Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay

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November 19, 2024

Minister of Health Sylvia Jones  
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Dear Minister Jones,

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on Monday September 16, 2024, the following resolution was put forth by Councillor Chris Dube and was passed.

## **Re: Ambulance Shortages and Healthcare System Issues**

### **Resolution 266-2024**

**Moved by: Councillor Johnson**

**Seconded by: Councillor Dube**

WHEREAS, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Terrace Bay is gravely concerned about the ongoing shortages and staffing challenges facing Superior North EMS (SNEMS);

WHEREAS, the provincial funding for ambulance services, currently at 50%, along with the city's 50% contribution, has been falling short, leading to financial strain on municipalities and regional partners, including the City of Thunder Bay;

WHEREAS, the rolling shortages of paramedics and EMS personnel in the region present a significant risk to public safety and healthcare services in northern communities, which are disproportionately affected by the province-wide shortage of paramedics;

WHEREAS, recruitment and retention issues, including insufficient wages and benefits, lack of mental health supports, frequent exposure to traumatic experiences, and inadequate recovery time between work periods, are causing high turnover rates and burnout among EMS workers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Honorable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, be requested to take immediate action to address the funding shortfalls and structural challenges in the delivery of EMS services in northern communities, including:

1. Increasing provincial funding to support EMS services and reduce the financial burden on municipalities;
2. Implementing incentives such as "learn and stay" grants to encourage paramedics to live and work in northern Ontario;
3. Enhancing support systems for EMS workers, including improved wages, benefits, and mental health resources.



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AND THAT, this resolution be forwarded to Minister Sylvia Jones, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario municipalities.

Sincerely,

J. Hall  
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

**CC:**  
AMO  
All Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, December 10, 2024

<b>Resolution # RC24283</b>	<b>Meeting Order: 6</b>
<b>Moved by:</b> <i>M Hatfield</i>	<b>Seconded by:</b> <i>J Opato</i>

**RESOLVED THAT** Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa does hereby receive and support the resolution dated November 19, 2024 from the Township of Terrace Bay regarding Billy Bishop Airport;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this Resolution be shared with Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), Hon. Anita Anand, President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Transport, Mayor Olivia Chow, Toronto City, Hon. Soraya Martinez Ferrada, Minister of Tourism, Hon. François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, Hon. Arun Thangaraj, Deputy Minister of Transport Canada, John D. Elvidge, City of Toronto – Clerk, Paul Johnson, City of Toronto - City Manager, Jag Sharma, City of Toronto - Deputy City Manager, RJ Steenstra, President and CEO - Ports Toronto, Sandra Papatello, Chair of Board of Directors - Ports Toronto, Neil Pakey, President and CEO - Nieuport Aviation, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade, MP Patty Hajdu - Thunder Bay - Superior North, MP Marcus Powlowski – Thunder Bay-Rainy River, MP Eric Melillo – Kenora, MPP Greg Rickford, (Kenora – Rainy River), MPP Kevin Holland, (Thunder Bay - Atikokan), MPP Lise Vaugeois, (Thunder Bay - Superior North), and all NOMA member municipalities - CAOs and Clerks.

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Dear Minister Anand and Mayor Chow,

At the Township of Terrace Bay Regular Council Meeting held on Monday October 21, 2024 the following resolution of support was passed.

## **Re: NOMA Letter re Billy Bishop Airport Support**

### **Resolution 293-2024**

**Moved By: Councillor St. Louis**

**Seconded By: Councillor Adduono**

WHEREAS Billy Bishop Airport serves more than 2 million passengers per year, making it the 9th-busiest airport in Canada, 5th-busiest serving the US market, 3rd busiest airport in Ontario, and making it a critical component of the national and regional air transportation system; and

WHEREAS the airport provides daily connections to the North with service to Thunder Bay, Sault Ste. Marie, Timmins and Sudbury, and enables access to many other neighbouring communities;

and WHEREAS Billy Bishop Airport is a critical access point for Northern communities for economic opportunities, tourism, social connectivity and critical medical care located in downtown Toronto;

WHEREAS the airport operates under a Tripartite Agreement among the City of Toronto, Transport Canada and PortsToronto, and that agreement is set to expire in 2033; and

WHEREAS the airport is seeking to secure its long-term future through a process to modernize and extend the Tripartite Agreement to drive sustainable growth and enhanced access and connections for passengers and the communities it connects to;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association is seeking urgent action from the City of Toronto, PortsToronto and Transport Canada to commence a process and conclude it by the end of 2025 to modernize the current Tripartite Agreement and secure the future of Billy Bishop Airport.



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AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be sent to Hon. Anita Anand - President of the Treasury Board and Minister of Transport, Mayor Olivia Chow – Toronto City, Hon. Soraya Martinez Ferrada - Minister of Tourism, Government of Canada, Hon. François-Philippe Champagne - Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry - Government of Canada, Hon. Arun Thangaraj - Deputy Minister of Transport Canada - Government of Canada, John D. Elvidge - City of Toronto – Clerk, Paul Johnson - City of Toronto - City Manager, Jag Sharma - City of Toronto - Deputy City Manager, RJ Steenstra - President and CEO - Ports Toronto, Sandra Papatello – Chair of Board of Directors - Ports Toronto, Neil Pakey - President and CEO - Nieuport Aviation, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria - Minister of Transportation - Government of Ontario, Hon. Vic Fedeli - Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade - Government of Ontario, MP Patty Hajdu (Thunder Bay - Superior North), MP Marcus Powlowski – Thunder Bay-Rainy River, MP Eric Melillo – Kenora, MPP Greg Rickford, (Kenora – Rainy River), MPP Kevin Holland, (Thunder Bay - Atikokan), MPP Lise Vaugeois, (Thunder Bay - Superior North), and all NOMA member municipalities - CAOs and Clerks.

Sincerely,

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Re: The Future for Billy Bishop Airport Requires Urgent Action and a Modern Governing Agreement

Dear Minister Anand and Mayor Chow,

I am writing to you to express my support for the sustained operation and development of Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport. As the President of the Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association, I am extremely concerned to learn that the Tripartite Agreement that governs operations at the Airport expires in 2033 – less than 9 years from now.

Billy Bishop Airport provides a critical service and point of connection for the North. Many of my community members rely on Billy Bishop airport to visit family, connect through to other destinations for work, travel and tourism or to access critical medical services, the convenience and ease of Billy Bishop Airport cannot be matched. It has been reported widely that Northern Ontario communities have experience drastic reductions in air service coming out of the COVID pandemic. Reliable air connectivity available through Billy Bishop Airport is an important economic and social lifeline for my community.

We were pleased to see the Federal Government's investment in a US Customs and Border Patrol preclearance facility, which is expected to open in 2025. This is welcomed news for communities in Northwestern Ontario as it will enable more and better connections through Billy Bishop Airport and amplify the airport's already strong economic contribution. We viewed this investment in the airports long term future as recognition of the very important role the airport has come to play for the communities it connects including Northwestern Ontario – very much at odds with an agreement that expires in a matter of years.

To that end, we would implore you, as signatories to the Tripartite Agreement, to commence a process to modernize the Tripartite Agreement and secure the long-term future of Canada's 9<sup>th</sup>-busiest airport and 3<sup>rd</sup>-busiest in Ontario. My community members rely on this service, and we



want to see even more connections and expanded services to the North. As elected leaders, we have a responsibility to think past our own front doors, reflect the needs of all of our constituents and those beyond our communities who are impacted by our decisions. Certainty about the airport's long-term future should not be something we as leaders should need to think long about. **The time is now for the parties of the agreement to move forward with urgency to ensure this vital piece of transportation infrastructure and the important connections it facilitates are sustained.**

Sincerely,



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Wendy Landry  
President, Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association  
Mayor, Municipality of Shuniah

Cc:

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**Date:** Monday, December 2, 2024 3:17:39 PM  
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Good afternoon,

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney at it's meeting held on November 14, 2024, received, and endorsed the correspondence from the Town of Aurora a attached.

If you require any additional information, please let us know.

Kind regards,



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Good day Elected Official,

For many years, we have advocated for our fair share of funding from both Provincial and Federal governments. Through FCM and AMO, we've pushed for reforms and for sustainable, predictable funding for municipal infrastructure. With both Provincial and Federal elections approaching, I believe it's time for us to unite and propose a solution for municipalities' fair share.

As we're asked to meet growth targets, our municipalities urgently need predictable, long-term funding to support critical infrastructure, including roads, bridges, and public transit. We need all levels of government to collaborate on a solution that doesn't rely solely on property taxes to fund essential infrastructure in our communities. That's why we're calling on the Province to allocate a portion of the Land Transfer Tax, and on the Federal Government to allocate a portion of the GST from new home sales—no new taxes, just a fair distribution of our own funds for our communities!

Bellow is a Motion I respectfully ask you to bring forward at your council.

This motion ensures that we have the resources to build and maintain the infrastructure that keeps our municipalities running smoothly, without increasing property taxes.

Please consider adding this Motion to your Council agendas. It is essential that our collective voices are heard. Local governments deserve predictable, long-term funding to support critical infrastructure. Together, we can build a brighter future for all Ontarians.

*Motion: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST*

*to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding*

*Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges,*

*public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to*

*community well-being and economic development; and*

*Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user*

*fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;*

*and*

*Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on*

*property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and*

*Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and*

*Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and*

*Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;*

*1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That \_\_\_\_\_Municipality\_\_\_\_\_ Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and*

*2. Be It Further Resolved That \_\_\_\_\_Municipality\_\_\_\_\_ Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and*

*3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST*

*should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and*

*4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and*

*5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.*

Regards,

Tom Mrakas

Mayor Town of Aurora

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November 29, 2024

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**RE: Guelph City Council Resolution to Enable Municipalities to Charge Fees for use of Municipal Property by Gas Utilities**

Dear Premier Ford, Minister Calandra and Minister Lecce,

Guelph City Council at its meeting held on November 26, 2024 passed a resolution regarding the ability of municipalities to charge gas utilities for their use of municipal property, which included the following motions:

1. That Council request the Province of Ontario to amend section 9 of Regulation 584/06 under the Municipal Act, 2001, to permit municipalities to charge fair fees to for-profit gas utilities for their use of public property, as municipalities do in most other provinces.
2. That Council direct staff, to the satisfaction of the DCAO of IDE, to negotiate a Franchise Agreement with the gas distribution company that:
  - a. will allow the City of Guelph to charge fees for use of public property if and when Ontario Regulation 584/06 is amended to allow such charges,
  - b. will ensure that the City of Guelph is not liable to pay for any gas infrastructure relocations needed due to conflicts with municipal infrastructure, and
  - c. will ensure future charges for use of municipal property is not passed on to Guelph customers of the gas distribution company.
3. That the City of Guelph supports, in principle, the Bill 219, "No Free Ride for Fossil Fuels Act, 2024" tabled November 4, 2024 by Guelph MPP Mike Schreiner.

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Across most of Canada, municipalities charge for-profit gas utilities fees for the use of municipal property. This revenue supports municipalities in managing abandoned gas distribution infrastructure and any conflicts with municipal infrastructure without increasing the financial burden on property taxpayers. However, in Ontario, Section 9 of *O.Reg. 584/06* under the *Municipal Act, 2001* prohibits municipalities from charging for-profit gas utilities these fees. If the charging of these fees is permitted, revenues would provide much needed funding towards essential City services and programs, and support the City in funding any future work associated with gas distribution infrastructure.

As Guelph seeks to renew its Franchise Agreement, which sets out the conditions for the use of municipal property by the gas distribution company, there is an opportunity to review the compensation framework for municipalities across Ontario. Many sectors and individuals are increasingly transitioning away from natural gas in favour of cleaner and carbon-free technologies, and Guelph Council believes municipalities should not be locked in to long-term agreements which limit the ability of municipalities to receive fair compensation from for-profit gas distribution companies.

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Sincerely,

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**Re: Resolution Enabling Municipalities to Charge Fees for use of Municipal Property by Gas Utilites**

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated November 29, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their consideration as part of the December 16, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-207). At the meeting, Council adopted the following resolution:

**THAT CA-2024-207, being a resolution from the City of Guelph regarding Enabling Municipalities to Charge Fees for use of Municipal Property by Gas Utilities, be endorsed.**

Sincerely,

*T. Dafoe*

Tatiana Dafoe, Clerk

/mf

cc: Hon. Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister Municipal Affairs and Housing of Ontario  
Hon. Stephen Lecce, Minister of Energy and Electrification of Ontario  
Matthew Rae, Member of Provincial Parliament, Perth - Wellington  
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November 29, 2024

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**The Honourable Stephen Lecce**

Minister of Energy and Electrification  
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**RE: Guelph City Council Resolution to Enable Municipalities to Charge Fees for use of Municipal Property by Gas Utilities**

Dear Premier Ford, Minister Calandra and Minister Lecce,

Guelph City Council at its meeting held on November 26, 2024 passed a resolution regarding the ability of municipalities to charge gas utilities for their use of municipal property, which included the following motions:

1. That Council request the Province of Ontario to amend section 9 of Regulation 584/06 under the Municipal Act, 2001, to permit municipalities to charge fair fees to for-profit gas utilities for their use of public property, as municipalities do in most other provinces.
2. That Council direct staff, to the satisfaction of the DCAO of IDE, to negotiate a Franchise Agreement with the gas distribution company that:
  - a. will allow the City of Guelph to charge fees for use of public property if and when Ontario Regulation 584/06 is amended to allow such charges,
  - b. will ensure that the City of Guelph is not liable to pay for any gas infrastructure relocations needed due to conflicts with municipal infrastructure, and
  - c. will ensure future charges for use of municipal property is not passed on to Guelph customers of the gas distribution company.
3. That the City of Guelph supports, in principle, the Bill 219, "No Free Ride for Fossil Fuels Act, 2024" tabled November 4, 2024 by Guelph MPP Mike Schreiner.

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December 13, 2024

Dear Head of Council:

Our government recently announced that we are better protecting community safety and making investments to further support homelessness prevention and provide people living in encampments with access to reasonable alternative accommodation. With this announcement, we are responding to the calls for action to address encampments in our communities and restore safety to public spaces.

We are taking a strategic approach to increase resources to support and provide more long-term stable housing and temporary accommodations for those living in encampments, including:

- **\$5.5 million** to top-up the **Canada-Ontario Housing Benefit (COHB)** to immediately free-up emergency shelter spaces for people living in encampments by helping people living in shelters move into longer-term housing.
- **\$20 million** to expand shelter capacity and create additional temporary accommodation spaces, like tiny modular units and climate-controlled semi-permanent structures, to provide people living in encampments with accessible alternative living options
- **\$50 million** in last-mile funding for ready-to-build long-term affordable housing projects across the province. This funding will be allocated based on how close a project is to completion, as well as its value for money, to help projects near completion but, in need of targeted additional funding, to open their doors faster.

Let me be clear that it is my expectation that this funding is tied to clearing out encampments. The intent is to provide funding to municipalities that demonstrate their commitment to and show results in winding down these sites. **In order for your municipality to be considered for additional funding, the Ministry must receive a written pledge from the local Service Manager to use the funds towards ending encampments in your region.**

The additional funding will be supported by new reporting and accountability requirements to ensure these funds support the shared provincial and municipal goal of ending encampments by providing safe and stable housing for people at risk of homelessness. I encourage you to work closely with municipal and community partners in the coming weeks. Please share eligible funding proposals with your Service Manager, who is to forward these to the Ministry for our consideration.

This investment complements:

- proposed amendments to the *Trespass to Property Act*, which applies to private businesses, offices, stores, hotels, parks, and vacant land.
- These amendments, if passed, will enhance penalties for people who deliberately and continually break the law by adding the new aggravating factors of continuous trespassing and the likelihood to reoffend.
- the new *Restricting Public Consumption of Illegal Substances Act, 2024* that will, if passed, allow police officers and other provincial offences officers to direct individuals to stop using illegal substances or to leave the public space. This will allow them to issue a ticket or arrest someone who does not comply, providing an important additional tool to stop the consumption of illegal drugs in public spaces.

While these new tools address public safety directly, we know these additional investments in shelter and housing are critical for people to move along their journey to stable housing and will move us closer to our long-term goals of everyone having a place to call home.

Our government is working with all our partners across the province to keep the most vulnerable members of our society safe and housed. Ontario has dedicated \$700 million annually since 2023 to address homelessness through the Homelessness Prevention Program and the Indigenous Supportive Housing Program. This funding is part of the nearly \$1.7 billion Ontario invested in 2023-24 to grow and enhance community and supportive housing and address homelessness for vulnerable Ontarians.

### **Call for Business Case Applications**

To access funding under the **Encampment Response Initiative** and the **Last Mile**, Service Managers who have provided a pledge are invited to submit business case applications for Ministry consideration. Please refer to the Ministry-prescribed templates attached for further guidelines.

The COHB top-up is not applicable to your Service Manager area given priority needs in other communities. This initiative for selected communities will expand shelter capacity and create additional temporary accommodation spaces to provide people living in encampments with accessible alternative living options.

### **Encampment Response Initiative (Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP))**

The new **Encampment Response Initiative** supports urgent expansion of shelter capacity by providing funding to support the creation of additional alternative emergency accommodations to be offered to individuals in encampments through temporary structures such as tiny cabins and sprung structures.

This funding may also be used for operations of these shelters and remediation of encampment sites up to March 31, 2025. Funding will flow through Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP) Transfer Payment Agreements to approved Service Managers.

Project proposals will be evaluated based on criteria outlined in the attached business case template and should include:

- Demonstrated capacity to expand temporary shelter availability and provide alternative accommodations quickly through temporary sprung structures, tiny cabins, and other similar structures.
- Clear implementation strategy including partnerships with grassroots level agencies to move individuals from encampments to shelters.
- Plans for encampment site restoration efforts, where applicable.

As a part of the business case, Service Managers will also be required to provide an estimate of the existing number of unique encampment sites and the encampment residents within them. In addition to providing the Ministry with monthly updated reporting on the number of encampments and estimated number of encampment residents, Service Managers will be required to report on how many residents have been moved from encampments to shelter and housing.

The business case must be completed in the Ministry-prescribed templates attached to this letter and submitted as an attachment to your HPP Investment Plan (IP) 2024-25 case in the Transfer Payment Ontario System (TPON) no later than **January 3, 2025, at 5 p.m.**

### **Last Mile Funding**

The Ministry is aware that municipalities across the province have affordable and supportive housing projects that are in advanced stages of construction where the injection of extra funds into these projects could lead to their faster completion. Service Managers are expected to work with the municipalities and non-profit organizations in your service area to identify such projects and submit them through the business case process for consideration of the Ministry's funding approval. The Ministry encourages heads of council to work with their Service Managers to identify project proposals for potential funding. The Ministry expects that all municipally endorsed proposals shared with Service Managers will be forwarded to the Ministry for its consideration. There is no restriction on the number of business cases that you can submit to the Ministry for funding consideration.

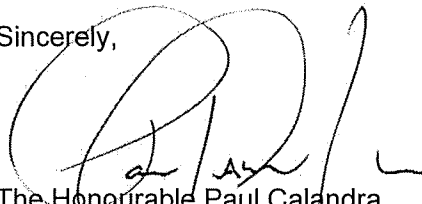
Proposed projects must be:

- Commitment-ready, with the ability to sign a contribution agreement and provide security within the fiscal year;
- Shovel-ready, with construction activities able to commence within 120 days of signing the contribution agreement;
- Able to demonstrate value for money; and
- Align with current Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) guidelines.

Last Mile Funding business cases must be completed in the Ministry-prescribed template attached to this letter and submitted as attachments to your COCHI-OPHI Investment Plan (IP) **2023-24** case in TPON no later than **January 10, 2025, at 5 p.m.**

The Ministry reserves the right to allocate funding under these initiatives at its sole discretion based on the review and evaluation of business case submissions. Any communication regarding additional funding must remain confidential until publicly announced by the province. We appreciate your commitment to our shared goal of restoring safety to our public spaces and expect this additional funding to help address the immediate crisis.

Sincerely,



The Honourable Paul Calandra  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

cc. Burke Christian, Assistant Deputy Minister, Community and Supportive Housing Division,  
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

## **“Ready-to-Build” Housing Projects Service Managers/Indigenous Program Administrators Business Case**

### **Introduction**

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing recognizes the potential to accelerate the completion of affordable and supportive housing projects in advanced construction stages through additional funding.

As a Service Manager, you are expected to work with the municipalities and non-profit organizations in your service area to identify such projects and submit them through the business case process for consideration of the Ministry’s funding approval.

The Ministry is also reaching out to heads of council for all municipalities and encouraged them to work with their Service Managers to identify projects proposals for potential funding. The Ministry expects that all municipally endorsed proposals shared with Service Managers will be forwarded to the Ministry for its consideration. There is no restriction on the number of business cases that you can submit to the Ministry for funding consideration.

The Ministry will evaluate business cases based on established criteria and prioritize projects that are aligned with provincial goals.

### **Key Requirements**

- Projects must broadly align with the National Housing Strategy (NHS) program requirements, including affordability and rent criteria, contributing to the rent-assisted unit expansion target.
- Projects should be “ready-to-build”, or under construction but are in need of targeted additional funding to advance to completion.
- Submissions must follow the business case template to provide all necessary details for evaluation.

### **Submission Guidelines**

- Attach your business cases to your COCHI-OPHI Investment Plan (IP) 2024-25 in the Transfer Payment Ontario (TPON) system under the attachment type “Priority Projects for Municipalities Business Case.”
- Submit business cases by **January 10, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.**

## MMAH Contacts for Questions

If you have any questions regarding the completion of this business case, please contact your respective MMAH Municipal Services Office (MSO) or Housing Programs Branch staff contact, as noted below:

City of Toronto: <b>Melissa Doyle</b>	<a href="mailto:Melissa.Doyle@ontario.ca">Melissa.Doyle@ontario.ca</a>
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MSO Central: <b>Luigi Di Palma</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Serving: Durham, Halton, Hamilton, Muskoka, Niagara, Peel, Simcoe, and York</li> </ul>	<a href="mailto:Luigi.Dipalma@ontario.ca">Luigi.Dipalma@ontario.ca</a>
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## Business Case Questions

Please ensure that the project business case is clear and concise to minimize the need for follow-ups. The business case can be completed by the Service Manager, municipality, or proponent, but it must be submitted to the Ministry by the Service Manager.

<p><b>1. Provide a concise overview of the project, including:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <b>Project name/location:</b></li><li>b. <b>Project proponent:</b></li><li>c. <b>Proponent type:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Charitable Corporation</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Co-operative</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Non-Profit</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Municipality</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Private For-Profit</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Private Non-Profit</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Other</li></ul></li><li>d. <b>A detailed description of the building and any innovative or special features or amenities</b></li><li>e. <b>The number of units (both market &amp; affordable)</b></li><li>f. <b>Target client groups, including any priority populations such as individuals experiencing homelessness or those on social assistance.</b></li></ul>
<p><b>2. Explain the criteria and process used to select this project for submission. Ensure you include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. <b>How the project addresses the “Last Mile” funding criteria for timeliness and viability.</b></li><li>b. <b>Alignment with provincial priorities such as value for money, geographic considerations, and innovative construction methods.</b></li></ul>
<p><b>3. Identify the specific community needs you are addressing with this proposed project. Provide evidence or data supporting needs, including the demand for affordable housing and alignment with local and regional housing strategies.</b></p>

<b>4. Provide a summary on the project proponent's experience and background. If applicable, include details about partnerships with other organizations including the nature and structure of these partnerships.</b>

Construction Readiness			
Milestone	N/A	Complete	(Estimated) Completion Date
If this project will be built on existing Social Housing lands, SM consent is required.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Contribution Agreement Signed	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Council/Board Approval	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Site Plan Approval	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Site Access	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
First available Building Permit (i.e. staged permits: excavation, foundation etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Construction Start	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Structural Framing or 50% Completion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Confirmation of Occupancy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Financial	
Item	Value (\$)
<b>Project Cost (for all Units)</b>	
Land Costs	
Construction or Hard Costs (labour, construction materials, equipment, etc.)	
Soft Costs (legal, architecture, engineering, insurance, taxes, fees, etc.)	
Total Project Costs for all Units (A)	<b>\$</b>
Total Number of Units for Project (B)	
Cost per Unit ( A/B)	\$
Number of Affordable Units for Funding Request ( C)	
<b>Project Financing (for all Units)</b>	
Other Funding Sources (Specify Source and if Funding is Secured): (Add additional rows, as needed)	
[Specify Source and if Funding is Secured]	\$

Program Funding Request (D)	
Total Project Financing (E)	\$
Program Funding per Affordable Housing Unit ( D/C)	\$

**Units and Rents information (click on the embedded Excel document to provide the information).**



UNIT & RENT  
INFORMATION

<b>5. Describe the measures taken to ensure the project costs are reasonable and align with comparable projects in the area?</b>
<b>6. Can the project be scaled down to proceed with a reduced funding amount? If yes, provide specifics on how this would be implemented.</b>
<b>7. Estimate the annual operating costs for the project and outline how these costs will be managed or funded over the long-term.</b>
<b>8. Will the project include support services to tenants? If yes, detail the support services offered and specify the sources of funding for these support services.</b>
<b>9. Use this section to include any additional information or context that would support the evaluation of your business case.</b>

**Signature:**

**Service Manager:**

**Date:**



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November 28, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
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Dear Premier,

**RE: TOWNSHIP OF KING RESOLUTION – ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ONTARIO  
RURAL ROAD SAFETY PROGRAM**

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At its Council meeting of November 25, 2024, Council of the Township of King received and supported the following Resolution:

**Whereas** official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads; and

**Whereas**, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads; and

**Whereas**, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base; and

**Whereas**, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural strained health care system; and

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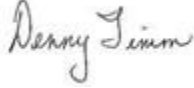
**Now Therefore Be It Resolved That;**

1. The Township of King requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and
2. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

3. That this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

*Carried Unanimously.*

Yours sincerely,



Denny Timm  
Township Clerk

- cc. Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation [Prabmeet.Sarkaria@pc.ola.org](mailto:Prabmeet.Sarkaria@pc.ola.org)  
Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure [Kinga.Surma@pc.ola.org](mailto:Kinga.Surma@pc.ola.org)  
Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness [Rob.Flack@pc.ola.org](mailto:Rob.Flack@pc.ola.org)  
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Councillor Jennifer Anstey, King [janstey@king.ca](mailto:janstey@king.ca)  
Councillor Mary Asselstine, King [masselstine@king.ca](mailto:masselstine@king.ca)



# The Municipality of Dysart et al

## Regular Council Resolution

Tuesday, November 26, 2024

### Motion #24-455

Moved by Pat Casey

Seconded by Carm Sawyer

Whereas official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

And whereas, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads;

And whereas, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

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And whereas, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

Therefore be it resolved that the Municipality of Dysart et al requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

Further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the Ontario Minister of Transportation, the Ontario Minister of Infrastructure, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, the Ontario Minister of Rural Affairs, the Ontario Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and the Ontario Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

Further that this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

Carried

Defeated

Deferred

Walt McKechnie, Deputy Mayor

Mallory Bishop, Clerk



November 25, 2024

The Honorable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Sent by Email

Dear: Honorable Doug Ford

**RE: Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program.**

The Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township at its meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024, adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION #C-2024-11-22**

**MOVED BY:** Fred Dobbie  
**SECONDED BY:** Marilyn Thomas

**“WHEREAS**, official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, Tay Valley Township requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead, which will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads;

**THAT**, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Honorable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Honorable King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Honorable Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Honorable Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Honorable Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Honorable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads;

**AND THAT**, this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support."

**ADOPTED**

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (613) 267-5353 ext. 130 or [deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca](mailto:deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca)

Sincerely,



Aaron Watt, Deputy Clerk

cc: Honorable Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation,  
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Honorable Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture,  
Honorable Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs,  
Honorable Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response,  
Honorable Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health,  
Thomas Barakat, Good Roads Manager of Public Policy & Government Relations,  
All Municipalities in Ontario.

TOWNSHIP OF CHAMPLAIN

RESOLUTION  
REGULAR MEETING

**Agenda Number:** 15.1.  
**Resolution Number** 2024-416  
**Title:** Good Roads - Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program  
**Date:** November 28, 2024

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**Moved By:** Gérard Miner  
**Seconded By:** Peter Barton

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**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Township of Champlain requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

**FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

**FURTHER THAT** this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support

Certified True Copy of Resolution

**Alison Collard**   
Signed with ConsignO Cloud (2024/11/29)  
Verify with verifio.com or Adobe Reader.

**CARRIED**

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Alison Collard, Clerk      Date:



# The City of Niagara Falls, Ontario

## Resolution

Resolution No. 21

November 12, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Sent by e-mail: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

### Motion Respecting the Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program

Too many Ontarians are being seriously injured or killed on our roads.

In 2023, there were 616 people killed and 36,090 people injured. The number of fatalities is up nearly 20% in the last ten years.

In 2021, the most recent year of complete data from MTO's *Ontario Road Safety Annual Report* (ORSAR), there were 561 fatalities – 426 of which occurred on municipal roads. While rural Ontario only represents 17% of the province's population, 55% of these deaths occurred on rural roads. By any measure, Ontario's rural roads are disproportionately more dangerous.

At the same time, municipal insurance premiums continue to increase. With no plausible reform being considered for joint and several liability, municipalities need to find innovative means for managing risk, particularly on their roadways,

To deal with this crisis, Good Roads has designed a multifaceted rural road safety program and have been in discussions with the Ministry of Transportation to fund it. The program would target a municipality's most dangerous roads, perform road safety audits, and install modern safety infrastructure that prevents serious injuries and save lives. This program is designed to be cost effective while also providing rural municipalities with a direct means for addressing risk associated with their roadways.

Good Roads has proposed leading a five-year \$183 million program that leverages our 131 years of municipal road expertise and our industry partnerships to quickly put in place the solutions that will address some of Ontario's most dangerous roads.

Good Roads is seeking support to address these preventable tragedies.

The City of Niagara Falls' Council has supported the following resolution:

**WHEREAS** official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

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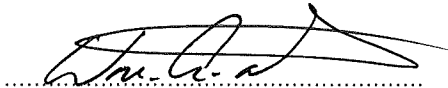
**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the City of Niagara Falls requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

**FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

**FURTHER THAT** this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

**AND The Seal of the Corporation be hereto affixed.**

**Carried Unanimously**




WILLIAM G. MATSON, CITY CLERK



JAMES M. DIODATI, MAYOR

If any further information is required, please contact the undersigned at 905-356-7521, x4342.

Yours Truly,



Bill Matson  
City Clerk, City of Niagara Falls



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December 3, 2024

Via Email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Via Email: [Prabmeet.Sarkaria@pc.ola.org](mailto:Prabmeet.Sarkaria@pc.ola.org)

Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria  
Minister of Transportation  
777 Bay Street, 5th Floor  
Toronto, ON M7A 1Z8

Dear Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario and Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation:

**Re: Township of East Garafraxa Resolution of Support for the Establishment of an Ontario Rural Roads Safety Program – Ontario Good Roads Association**

Please be advised that, at its meeting of Council held on November 13, 2024, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of East Garafraxa supported the following motion received from the Ontario Good Roads Association:

**MOVED BY BANFIELD, SECONDED BY HALLS  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

WHEREAS official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

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AND WHEREAS, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;

AND WHEREAS, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural strained health care system;

AND WHEREAS, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of East Garafraxa requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical


investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

**CARRIED**

Sincerely,



Shannon Peart  
Administrative Assistant/ Clerk's Department  
**Corporation of the Township of East Garafraxa**

cc: Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure  
Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture  
Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs  
Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness  
Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health  
Ontario Good Roads Association  
All Ontario Municipalities

**From:** [Clerks](#)  
**To:** [Clerks](#)  
**Subject:** Tillsonburg Town Council Decision Letter - November 14, 2024 - Establishment of Ontario Rural Road Safety Program  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 27, 2024 10:52:54 AM  
**Attachments:** [Outlook-cid\\_image0.png](#)

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Hello,

At the November 14, 2024, meeting of Tillsonburg Town Council, the following resolution was passed:

Resolution # 2024-530

Moved By: Councillor Parsons

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Beres

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AND WHEREAS, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Tillsonburg requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

Carried

Regards,



**Amelia Jaggard**

Deputy Clerk  
Town of Tillsonburg  
10 Lisgar Ave  
Tillsonburg, ON N4G 5A5  
Phone: 519-688-3009 Ext. 4041

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**Sent Via Email**

December 5, 2024

Good Roads  
Scott Butler  
Executive Director  
1525 Cornwall Road, Unit 22  
Oakville, ON L6J 0B2

**Attention: Scott Butler**

Scott Butler:

**Re: Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program**

Please be informed that at its regular meeting of November 27, 2024, Lambton County Council supported correspondence # PW 11-11-24 dated October 29, 2024. For your information, the following resolution was passed:

#1: White/Case: That County Council adopt the resolution in correspondence PW 11-11-24 as follows:

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**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the County of Lambton requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

**FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

**FURTHER THAT** this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

Carried.

Sincerely,



Jason Cole, P.Eng.  
General Manager, Infrastructure & Development Services

Encl # PW 11-11-24

cc: Lianne Rood, M.P. Lambton-Kent-Middlesex Riding  
Bob Bailey, M.P.P. Sarnia-Lambton Riding  
Marilyn Gladu, M.P. Sarnia-Lambton Riding  
The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation  
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Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture  
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Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health  
All municipalities in Ontario

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**From:** Scott Butler <[scott@goodroads.ca](mailto:scott@goodroads.ca)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 29, 2024 6:28 PM  
**To:** Stephane Thiffeault <[Stephane.Thiffeault@county-lambton.on.ca](mailto:Stephane.Thiffeault@county-lambton.on.ca)>  
**Subject:** establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program

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Wednesday, October 09, 2024

To: County of Lambton Head of Council and Council Members

Sent via email to: [stephane.thiffeault@county-lambton.on.ca](mailto:stephane.thiffeault@county-lambton.on.ca)

**Subject: Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program**

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Good Roads is seeking support to address these preventable tragedies.

If the County of Lambton would be interested in pursuing this, a Council resolution similar to the example below should be adopted and sent to the Premier and the Minister of Transportation:

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roads;

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FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

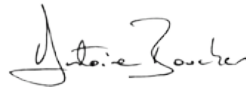
FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

If you have any questions regarding this initiative please contact Thomas Barakat, Good Roads' Manager of Public Policy & Government Relations, at [thomas@goodroads.ca](mailto:thomas@goodroads.ca) at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Scott R. Butler  
Executive Director



Antoine Boucher  
President  
Good Roads Board of Directors



December 6, 2024

Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario  
823 Albion Road  
Etobicoke, ON M9V 1A3

Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

RE: Good Roads Association, Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program

Please be advised that the Township of Malahide Council, at its meeting held on December 5, 2024, passed the following resolution:

“Moved By: Scott Lewis  
Seconded By: Sarah Leitch

THAT the Township of Malahide supports the correspondence from the Town of Pelham & Corporation of the Township of McGarry – Good Roads Association Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program.

Carried”

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Respectfully,

*A Adams*

Allison Adams,  
Manager of Legislative Services/Clerk

Attachment: Town of Pelham Resolution & Corporation of the Township of McGarry Resolution

cc. Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation Prabmeet.Sarkaria@pc.ola.org  
Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure Kinga.Surma@pc.ola.org  
Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness Rob.Flack@pc.ola.org Hon. Lisa M. Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs Lisa.Thompson@pc.ola.org  
Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response trevor.jones3@ontario.ca  
Hon. Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org Sam Oosterhoff,  
Hon. Rob Flack, MPP-Elgin-Middlesex-London  
Good Roads, Scott R. Butler, Executive Director scott@goodroads.ca

November 6, 2024

**Sent via email:** premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
823 Albion Road  
Etobicoke, ON M9V 1A3

Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

**Re: Good Roads Association, Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program**

At their regular meeting of November 6, 2024, Council of the Town of Pelham endorsed the following:

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the correspondence from the Good Roads Association regarding the establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program, for information;**

**AND THAT Council endorse and support the motion as circulated by the Good Roads Association, being:**

**WHEREAS official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;**

**AND WHEREAS despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads;**

**AND WHEREAS rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;**

**AND WHEREAS preventing crashes helps to alleviate the burden on Ontario's already strained rural health care system;**

**AND WHEREAS roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Pelham requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads;**

**AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Hon. Doug Ford, Premier, Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, Hon. Lisa M. Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, Hon. Sam Oosterhoff, MPP, and Good Roads;**

**AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.**

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact Town Clerk, Sarah Leach 905-892-2607 ext 315.

Yours very truly,

*jlegros*

Jodi Legros

Legislative Coordinator

- c. Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation** Prabmeet.Sarkaria@pc.ola.org  
**Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure** Kinga.Surma@pc.ola.org  
**Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness** Rob.Flack@pc.ola.org  
**Hon. Lisa M. Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs** Lisa.Thompson@pc.ola.org  
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trevor.jones3@ontario.ca  
**Hon. Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health** sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org  
**Sam Oosterhoff, MPP, Niagara West** Sam.oosterhoffco@pc.ola.org  
**Good Roads, Scott R. Butler, Executive Director** scott@goodroads.ca  
**Ontario Municipalities**





November 12, 2024

Resolution No. 329/2024

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCGARRY  
P.O. BOX 99,  
VIRGINIATOWN, ON. P0K 1X0**

MOVED BY *Elaine Fiu*

SECONDED BY *Francine Bente*

**WHEREAS** official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;

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**AND WHEREAS**, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Township of McGarry requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

**FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ / Carried Bonita Culhane  
Mayor Mayor

Recorded Vote	Requested by _____	
	YES	NO
Mayor Bonita Culhane	_____	_____
Councillor Louanne Caza	_____	_____
Councillor Elaine Fic	_____	_____
Councillor Annie Keft	_____	_____
Councillor Francine Plante	_____	_____

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ELIZABETHTOWN-KITLEY

December 9, 2024 Session

RES. NO. 283-24

Moved by:

E. Renaud

Seconded by:

R. Smith.

**That** Council receive staff report PW-24-17 for information;

**And That** Council direct staff to complete a resolution of support for the establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program, and

**Further That** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

**Further That** this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

- Carried
- Lost
- Tabled

Brant Burrow

Brant Burrow, Mayor

I, Laura Stanzel, Deputy Clerk  
Corporation of the Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley  
in the County of Leeds, do hereby certify that  
the foregoing is a true copy of  
RES No. 283-24  
passed by the council of the said Corporation  
the 9<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2024  
L. Stanzel

10836 County Rd 2  
P.O. Box 70  
Grafton ON, K0K 2G0  
[www.ahtwp.ca](http://www.ahtwp.ca)



Telephone: 905-349-2822  
Fax: 905.349.3259

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Sent via Email

December 18, 2024

**Re: Resolution of Support – Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program**

At its Regular Council meeting held on December 10, 2024, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Alnwick-Haldimand passed the following resolution:

RES:20241210-10

Moved by Councillor Mary Catherine O'Neill, seconded by Councillor Mike Ainsworth;

The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Alnwick/Haldimand enacts as follows:  
That the resolutions received from the Township of North Dumfries, Township of Amaranth, Municipality of North Perth, Town of Pelham, Town of Tillsonburg and Tay Valley Township requesting the Government of Ontario take action to establish and implement an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program, be supported.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at [ymelburn@ahtwp.ca](mailto:ymelburn@ahtwp.ca) or 905-349-2822 ext. 32.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yolanda Melburn'.

Yolanda Melburn,  
Deputy Clerk

Cc: Township of North Dumfries, Township of Amaranth, Municipality of North Perth, Town of Pelham, Town of Tillsonburg, Tay Valley Township,



**City of Stratford, Corporate Services Department**

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December 24, 2024

**Sent via email:** scott@goodroads.ca

Scott R. Butler,  
Executive Director  
Good Roads Association

**Re: Resolution Regarding Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program**

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated October 9, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their consideration as part of the November 12, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-189). At the meeting, Council adopted the following resolution:

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**AND WHEREAS, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and**

**FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and**

**FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.**

Sincerely,  
*T. Dafoe*  
Tatiana Dafoe, Clerk

/mf

cc: Premiere Doug Ford  
Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation  
Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure  
Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture  
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November 28, 2024

Via Email: [justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca)

The Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Hon. Justin Trudeau:

**Re: City of Port Colborne Support the City of Thorold regarding City Council  
Statement respecting Flag Desecration**

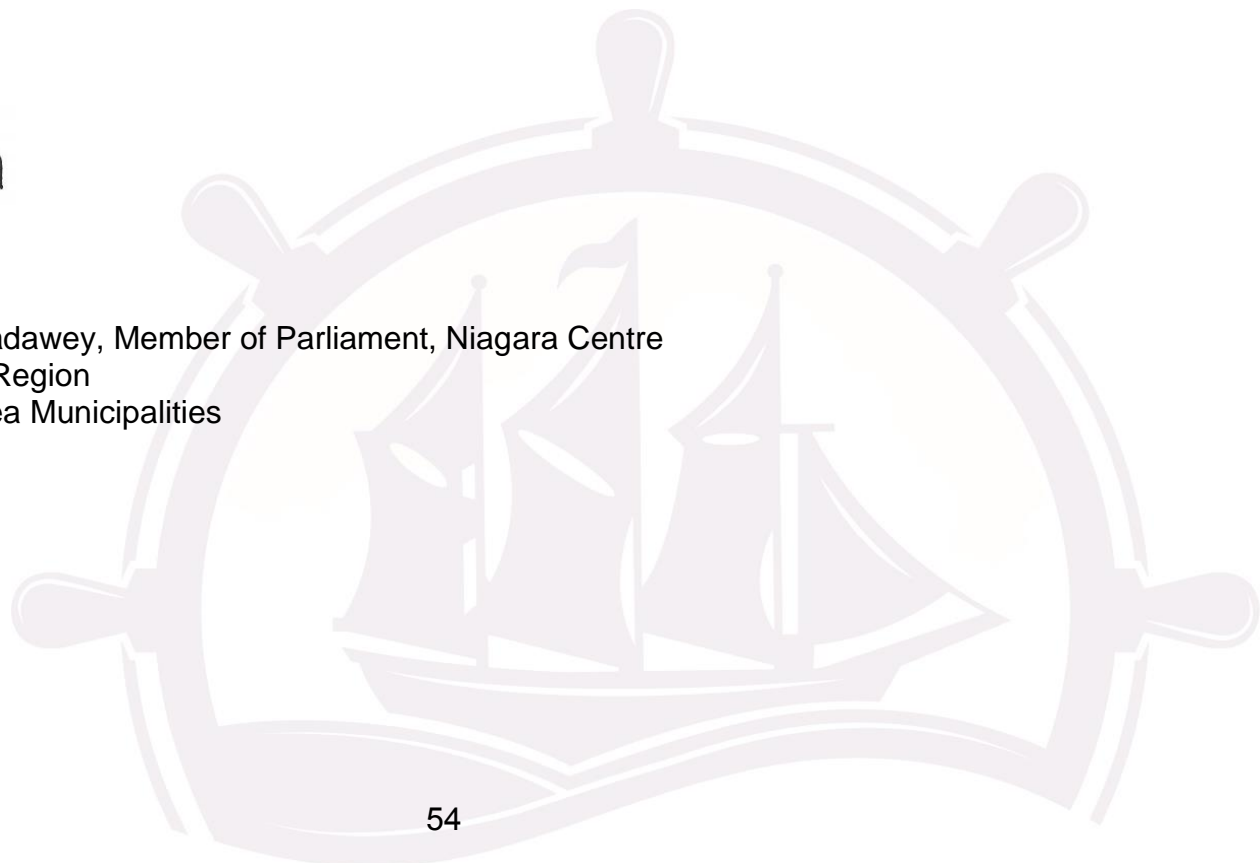
Please be advised that, at its meeting of November 26, 2024 the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne supported the resolution from the City of Thorold regarding City Council Statement respecting Flag Desecration.

Please find the correspondence attached for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden  
City Clerk

ec: Vance Badawey, Member of Parliament, Niagara Centre  
Niagara Region  
Local Area Municipalities





November 15, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
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### **Re. 14.2 City of Thorold Council Resolution – City Council Statement respecting Flag Desecration**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Thorold, at its meeting held on November 12, 2024, considered the aforementioned topic and the following resolution was passed:

WHEREAS the Canadian flag is a symbol of the nation's unity, history, and values, representing the sacrifices and contributions made by Canadians across generations;

WHEREAS the Canadian flag stands as a symbol of national pride, democracy, freedom, and the rights and responsibilities of Canadian citizens;

WHEREAS the desecration of the Canadian flag is an act that disrespects the ideals and principles upon which Canada was built, undermining national cohesion and respect for the country's institutions;

WHEREAS acts of flag desecration can cause significant emotional harm to Canadians, particularly veterans, and others for whom the flag represents personal or collective sacrifice, dignity, and identity; and

WHEREAS criminalizing the desecration of the Canadian flag would serve as a means of protecting national symbols from acts that seek to degrade their meaning while still respecting the constitutional rights of citizens to protest peacefully and express diverse views;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the City of Thorold enacts as follows:

1. That Council for the City of Thorold **SUPPORTS** the amendment to the *Criminal Code* R.S.C., 1985, c. C-46, for the purpose of criminalizing the act of desecrating the Canadian Flag; and



2. That this resolution **BE CIRCULATED** to the Office of the Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau, and the Office of Member of Parliament for Niagara Centre, Vance Badawey, the Regional Municipality of Niagara, and lower-tier municipalities within the Region of Niagara.

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Thank you,



Nicholas Debono  
City Clerk, City of Thorold

cc. Vance Badawey, Member of Parliament, Niagara Centre  
Niagara Region  
Local Area Municipalities





Via email: [Rob.Flack@pc.ola.org](mailto:Rob.Flack@pc.ola.org)

November 29, 2024

To: Hon. Rob Flack, Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs

**Re: Request for Support – Increase Tile Drain Loan Limit**

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Please be advised at its meeting held on November 13, 2024, Council of the Township of Oro-Medonte passed the following resolution supporting the Township of Adelaide Metcalfe's request that the Province consider increasing the maximum annual Tile Drain Loan Limit:

*Be it resolved that the staff recommendations with respect to the items listed under "Consent Agenda Correspondence" be adopted as printed:*

*d) Correspondence dated October 22, 2024, from the Township of Clearview and Correspondence dated March 22, 2024 from the Township of Adelaide Metcalfe re: Request for Support - Increase Tile Drain Loan Limit.*

*Staff Recommendation: Receive, Support, Advise Under the Mayor's Signature.*

Yours sincerely,



Randy Greenlaw

Mayor  
/vc

Cc:  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)  
All Ontario Municipalities



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**Town of Saugeen Shores**  
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Port Elgin, ON N0H 2C0

November 26, 2024

**Sent via Email:** Premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario

**Re: Town of Saugeen Shores Support Resolution for Intimate Partner Violence**

Dear Premier Ford,

At the November 25, 2024, Regular Council meeting for the Town of Saugeen Shores, Council passed the following resolution:

Whereas more than 4 in 10 Canadian women have experienced some form of intimate partner violence in their lifetime, and 1 in 10 experience it almost daily; and

Whereas while one-third of men have also experienced intimate partner violence, women disproportionately experience the most severe forms. According to the Government of Canada, between 2014 and 2019 there were 497 cases of intimate partner homicide nationally and 80% of the victims were women; and

Whereas rates of intimate partner violence are nationally 75% higher for rural women compared to urban women; and

Whereas although IPV is not a pathogen, it is appropriate to label IPV as an epidemic because it has ripple effects causing future poor health outcomes for affected victims and their families, which negatively affect community health, policing, and social services resources; and

Whereas in Saugeen Shores, police-reported Domestic Violence incidents increased between 2018/04/01 to 2024/04/01 by an average of 55.4%; and

Whereas in Bruce and Grey Counties, domestic violence calls between 2018 and 2020 to police increased by 133%; and

Whereas members of the Saugeen Shores Police have been enrolled in the collaborative Police Action on Intimate Partner Violence course, training which improves their policy and action to keep individuals, families, and communities safe; and

Whereas all programs in the Grey-Bruce Health Unit, especially the clinical ones, have components to identify and report any type of violence, including IPV; and several family-

based programs actively and proactively work with individuals and families on early identification and prevention of IPV, as well as the Unit's collaboration with Bruce Grey Child and Family Services and police services, and

Whereas On January 8, 2024, Saugeen Shores Council supported the Town of Goderich's resolution to Declare Intimate Partner Violence as an Epidemic, and

Whereas it is critical for victims, family members, survivors, and others in our community to see Saugeen Shores' commitment to solving the problem of IPV by, among other actions, recognizing its severity.

Now be it resolved that the Town of Saugeen Shores recognizes the issues of intimate partner violence in rural communities as serious to the health and wellness of local families, and

That the Town of Saugeen Shores is committed to engaging with community partners to educate and support our residents about the seriousness of intimate partner violence in our community; and

That the Town of Saugeen Shores calls on the Standing Committee of Justice to hold hearings in the fall of 2024 on Bill 173, The Intimate Partner Violence Epidemic Act; and

That the Town of Saugeen Shores calls on the Province of Ontario to pass and implement Bill 173, The Intimate Partner Violence Epidemic Act; and

That this resolution be circulated to the Standing Committee on Justice-Clerk, Thushitha Kobikrishna; Chair Lorne Coe, Standing Committee on Justice, Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Health Sylvia Jones, Attorney General Doug Downey, Minister of Rural Affairs Lisa Thompson, Grey Bruce Medical Officer Dr. Arra, the Saugeen Shores Police Services, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and to all municipalities in Ontario.

Sincerely,



Dawn Mittelholtz,  
Clerk

CC: Standing Committee on Justice-Clerk, Thushitha Kobikrishna  
Standing Committee on Justice, Chair Lorne Coe  
Minister of Health Sylvia Jones  
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**Cc:** [Cheryl Fort](#)

**Subject:** Re: Resolution from the Northern Ontario Women's Caucus (NOW Caucus)

**Date:** Tuesday, December 10, 2024 1:26:44 PM

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CORRECTED:

Resolution from Northern Ontario Women's Caucus (NOW Caucus)

WHEREAS an arbitrator's investigation into claims of sexual harassment against MPP Michael Mantha concluded during the investigation that the claims were substantiated;

AND WHEREAS in August 2023, MPP Michael Mantha was removed from the NDP caucus after allegations of workplace misconduct were substantiated by multiple witness interviews and video evidence;

AND WHEREAS Ontario residents have requested that the NOW Caucus request that Michael Mantha resign from his position as M.P.P. as they believe that based on the investigation that substantiated the sexual harassment allegations that he does not have the integrity and trust required of the office to effectively represent the Algoma-Manitoulin, particularly the women living in the riding;

AND WHEREAS elected officials at all levels should be held to the same standards as every working Ontarian, operating under workplace violence and harassment policies.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that NOW Caucus call on Michael Mantha to resign from his position as M.P.P. of the Algoma-Manitoulin Riding immediately.

AND FURTHER that this Resolution be circulated to the 444 municipalities, the office of Michael Mantha, Premier Ford, Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario NDP, Bonnie Crombie, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party, Mike Shreiner, Ontario Green Party, AMO, ROMA, FONOM, and NOMA.

Moved – Melanie Baril, Regional Vice Chair (FONOM Region) ;

Seconded: Lindsay Koch, Regional Vice Chair (NOMA Region)

CARRIED

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**Sent:** Monday, December 9, 2024 7:44 PM

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**Cc:** Cheryl Fort <mayor.fort@hornepayne.ca>

**Subject:** Resolution from the Northern Ontario Women's Caucus (NOW Caucus)

**Resolution from Northern Ontario Women's Caucus (NOW Caucus)**

WHEREAS an arbitrator's investigation into claims of sexual harassment against MPP Michael Mantha concluded during the investigation that the claims were substantiated;

AND WHEREAS in August 2023, MPP Michael Mantha was removed from the NDP caucus after allegations of workplace misconduct were substantiated by multiple witness interviews and video evidence;

AND WHEREAS Ontario residents have requested that the NOW Caucus request that Michael Mantha resign from his position as M.P.P. as they believe that based on the investigation that substantiated the sexual harassment allegations that he does not have the integrity and trust required of the office to effectively represent the Algoma-Manitoulin, particularly the women living in the riding;

AND WHEREAS elected officials at all levels should be held to the same standards as every working Ontarian, operating under workplace violence and harassment policies.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that NOW Caucus call on Michael Mantha to resign from his position as M.P.P. of the Algoma-Manitoulin Riding immediately.

AND FURTHER that this Resolution be circulated to the 444 municipalites, the office of Michael Manthas, Prime Minister Ford, Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario NDP, Bonnie Crombie, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party, Mike Shreiner, Ontario Green Party, AMO, ROMA, FONOM, and NOMA.

Moved – Mayor Baril;

Seconded: Councillor Koch

CARRIED

Dec 10, 2024

Niagara Transit Commission  
2012 First Street Louth  
St. Catharine's, ON  
L2S 3V9

Dear Mr. Jordan Hamilton, Manager, Corporate Administration:

Re: Niagara Region Transit Expansion of Localized Transit Services

This is to confirm that at the Dec 9, 2024 Council Meeting the following resolution was adopted with respect to the above noted matter:

**WHEREAS** The Township of West Lincoln has secured a recent urban boundary expansion;

**WHEREAS** The Township of West Lincoln is expecting unprecedented growth;

**WHEREAS** the population of The Township of West Lincoln is approximately 16,500, and is expected to grow to over 39,000 by 2051;

**WHEREAS** the largest portion of that growth will be in Urban Centre of Smithville;

**WHEREAS** The Township of West Lincoln is the largest municipality by geographic area in the Niagara Region;

**WHEREAS** it was agreed upon by local area municipalities and the Regional Municipality of Niagara, through the Triple Majority process in the establishment of the Niagara Transit Commission and in the adoption of the Niagara Service Standards Strategy, that Niagara Transit would plan for and work towards all local municipalities receiving transit services fairly and equitably;

**WHEREAS** there is a growing demand from West Lincoln residents for local transit services;

**WHEREAS** The Township of West Lincoln's growing commercial, industrial, and agricultural industries offer stable and reliable employment opportunities at competitive wages where a reliable and routinely planned transit system could connect job seekers from all across The Region of Niagara.

**WHEREAS** Small businesses located in West Lincoln including but not limited to; restaurants, shopping centres, leisure & recreation industries, and specialized professional

services being the core of every developing community would benefit from a reliable and routinely planned local transit system;

**WHEREAS** Niagara Region & the Province of Ontario are the economical drivers in our community and they rely on transit to commute;

**WHEREAS** many of the residents who are moving to West Lincoln are accustomed to utilizing local transit;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** The Township of West Lincoln Council requests that the Niagara Transit Board provide, through the 2025 Transit Master Plan process, a local transit plan for West Lincoln that includes:

- A plan for local transit for West Lincoln which includes commingled specialty services and/or the addition of networked conventional service based on warrant, demand and ridership; and
- Notice of any corresponding increase in service hours and the cost for the local municipality through the budget process when and if additional local services are planned; and
- A timeline for the introduction of any local service enhancement; and
- That a copy of the final 2025 Transit Master Plan be brought by Niagara Transit staff to a future local council or committee meeting

If any further information is required, please contact the undersigned at 905-957-3346, Ext 5129.

Yours Truly,



Justin J. Paylove

Director of Legislative Service/Clerk

- cc. Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk  
Town of Lincoln  
Town of Grimsby  
Town of Pelham  
Town of NOTL  
Township of Wainfleet



# The City of Niagara Falls, Ontario

## Resolution

**Resolution No. 20**

**November 12, 2024**

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Bldg Rm 281, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

**Sent by e-mail: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)**

### **Motion Respecting Endorsement of Ontario Big City Mayors' "Solve the Crisis" Campaign**

The Council of the City of Niagara Falls, at its meeting held on November 12, 2024, passed the following motion:

**WHEREAS** an unprecedented number of Ontarians are homeless, living in encampments and other unsafe spaces, and too many are dying from addictions and mental health issues;

**WHEREAS** the province has provided additional funding for mental health, addictions, and homelessness programs, it does not adequately address the growing crisis and the financial and social impact on municipalities and regions across the province;

**WHEREAS**, together with various community partners, the Region of Niagara has been tackling this issue head on, funding various programs and spaces to find solutions;

**WHEREAS** despite the success of many of these programs, the crisis continues to grow and regions and municipalities need help; and

**WHEREAS** all of these issues fall primarily under provincial jurisdiction, and regions and municipalities should not be using the property tax base to fund these programs.



**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**


1. That the City of Niagara Falls, through a letter written by the Regional Chair, **JOIN** Ontario's Big City Mayors in calling on the Provincial Government:

- a) To appoint a responsible Ministry and Minister with the appropriate funding and powers as a single point of contact to address the full spectrum of housing needs as well as mental health, addictions, and wrap around supports; and
- b) Have this Minister strike a task force with broad sector representatives including municipalities, healthcare, first responders, community services, the business community, the tourism industry and those with lived/living experience, to develop a Made in Ontario Action Plan;
- c) To provide municipalities with the tools and resources to transition those in encampments to more appropriate supports, when deemed necessary;
- d) To commit to funding the appropriate services these individuals need, community by community, where there are gaps in the system; and
- e) To invest in 24/7 Community Hubs / Crisis Centres to relieve pressure on emergency centres and first responders; and

2. That the Regional Chair's letter and this motion **BE CIRCULATED** to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health; The Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; The Honourable Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services; The Honourable Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions; Niagara's 12 local area municipalities; Niagara's four MPPs; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM); Ontario's Big City Mayors (OBCM); and the St. Catharines Downtown Association.

**AND The Seal of the Corporation be hereto affixed.**

**Carried Unanimously**



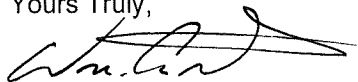
WILLIAM G. MATSON, CITY CLERK



JAMES M. DIODATI, MAYOR

If any further information is required, please contact the undersigned at 905-356-7521, x4342.

Yours Truly,



Bill Matson  
City Clerk, City of Niagara Falls

The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles  
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

**Agenda Number:** 8.2.  
**Resolution Number** 2024-403  
**Title:** Resolution Stemming from October 16, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council - Item 8.1 - Correspondence #4  
**Date:** November 20, 2024

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**Moved by:** Councillor Loftus  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Lachance

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby supports the letter dated September 20, 2024 by the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, regarding the Ontario Deposit Return Program;**  
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CARRIED

  
MAYOR

September 20, 2024

**BY E-MAIL**

Hon. Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
5th Floor  
777 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister Khanjin:

### **Ontario Deposit Return Program**

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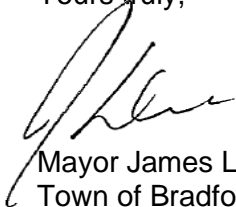
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Yours truly,



Mayor James Leduc  
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CC:

Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance  
Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Member of Provincial Parliament for York-Simcoe  
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December 24, 2024

Sent via email – KMckenna@townofbwg.com

Karin McKenna,  
Committee Coordinator & Accessibility Coordinator  
Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

**Re: Resolution Regarding the Ontario Deposit Return Program**

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Sincerely,

*T. Dafoe*

Tatiana Dafoe Clerk

/mf

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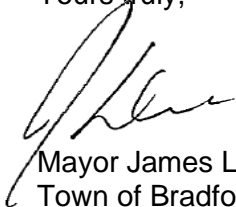
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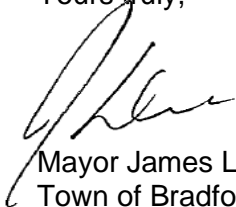
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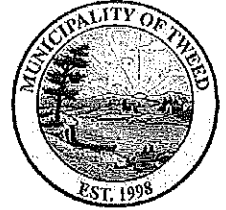


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Municipality of Tweed Council Meeting  
Council Meeting



**Resolution No.** 588  
**Title:** Ontario Good Roads Association  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 12, 2024

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**Moved by** J. Palmateer  
**Seconded by** P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Ontario Good Roads Association request for the Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program;  
AND FURTHER THAT Council direct staff to prepare a Resolution as follows:  
WHEREAS official statistics from the Government of Ontario confirm that rural roads are inherently more dangerous than other roads;  
AND WHEREAS, despite only having 17% of the population, 55% of the road fatalities occur on rural roads;  
AND WHEREAS, rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;  
AND WHEREAS, preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural strained health care system;  
AND WHEREAS, roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums. Preventing crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;  
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Tweed requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead. It will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the high number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and  
FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and  
FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

**Carried**





Hon. Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
VIA EMAIL:  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Hon. Michael S. Kerzner  
Minister of Solicitor General  
VIA EMAIL:  
[minister.solgen@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.solgen@ontario.ca)

Township of Puslinch  
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Puslinch, ON N0B 2J0  
[www.puslinch.ca](http://www.puslinch.ca)

November 25, 2024

Hon. Ted Arnott, MPP  
VIA EMAIL:  
[ted.arnottco@pc.ola.org](mailto:ted.arnottco@pc.ola.org)

Hon. Chrystia Freeland  
Minister of Finance  
VIA EMAIL:  
[chrystia.freeland@fin.gc.ca](mailto:chrystia.freeland@fin.gc.ca)

Association of  
Municipalities of Ontario  
(AMO) [amo@amo.on.ca](mailto:amo@amo.on.ca)

RE: Town of Petawawa Council resolution regarding Ontario Provincial Police Costs 2025 and  
Whitewater Region Council resolution regarding Ontario Provincial Police Costs 2025

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on November 6, 2024  
considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

**Resolution No. 2024-383:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Hurst

**That the Consent Agenda items 6.6 and 6.7 listed for NOVEMBER 6, 2024 Council  
meeting be received for information; and**

**Whereas the Township of Puslinch is a second-tier small rural municipality that pays a  
disproportionate share of the upper tier policing costs; and**



**Whereas the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petawawa supports Resolution No. 229 of the Municipality of Tweed and further calls on the Ontario Government to immediately implement sustainable funding for small rural municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities;**

**Be it resolved that the Township of Puslinch supports the resolutions of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petawawa and the Council of the Municipality of Tweed and requests that the Province also provide financial assistance to second tier small municipalities to offset their disproportionate share of policing costs; and**

**And that staff be directed to circulate this resolution to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Solicitor General, Minister of Finance, Speaker Arnott, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Municipalities in Ontario.**

**CARRIED**

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston  
Municipal Clerk

CC: All Ontario Municipalities



# TOWN OF PETAWAWA

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October 25, 2024

Premier Doug Ford  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
Via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Premier Ford:

**RE: Ontario Provincial Police Costs 2025**

Please be advised that at its meeting of October 21, 2024, Council of the Corporation of the Town of Petawawa endorsed the following resolution:

**MOVED BY: James Carmody**  
**SECONDED BY: Theresa Sabourin**

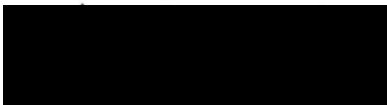
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And further, that Council direct staff to circulate this resolution to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Solicitor General, Minister of Finance, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Municipalities in Ontario.

**CARRIED**

The Town of Petawawa appreciates the Province's attention to the financial challenges faced by small rural municipalities and looks forward to a collaborative solution.

Sincerely,



Colin Howard, Dipl.M.M., Bus.Admin.  
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

Encl: Municipality of Tweed Resolution No. 229

cc: The Honourable Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General  
The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance  
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
All Municipalities of Ontario  
Neil Nicholson, Mayor, Township of Whitewater Region

Municipality of Tweed Council Meeting  
Council Meeting



**Resolution No.** 229  
**Title:** Councillor P. Valiquette  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 23, 2024

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**Moved by** P. Valiquette  
**Seconded by** J. Palmateer

WHEREAS it is apparent that the Ontario Government has overlooked the needs of small rural Ontario;  
AND WHEREAS Ontario's small rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads, bridges, water/wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities, libraries and other tangible capital assets;

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AND WHEREAS small rural municipalities (of 10,000 people or less) are facing monumental infrastructure deficits that cannot be adequately addressed through property tax revenue alone;

AND WHEREAS in 2015 the provincial government moved to standardized billing for all non-contract J.P.P. (5.1) locations;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Government has committed \$9.1 billion to Toronto alone to assist with operating deficits and the repatriation of the Don Valley and Gardner Expressway; and \$534 million to Ottawa for the repatriation of Hwy 174;

AND WHEREAS the annual cost of the Ontario Provincial Police, Municipal Policing Bureau for small rural non-contract (5.1) municipalities is approximately \$428 million;

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Municipality of Tweed call on the Ontario Government to immediately implement sustainable funding for small rural municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities;

AND FURTHER, that Council direct staff to circulate this resolution to Premier Doug Ford ([premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)), Minister of Solicitor General, Minister of Finance, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario ([amo@amo.on.ca](mailto:amo@amo.on.ca)) and all Municipalities in Ontario.

Council Members

Mayor Neil Nicholson  
Deputy Mayor Cathy Regier

Councillors:  
Mark Bell  
Michael Moore  
Chris Olmstead  
Connie Tabbert  
Joey Trimm

## Certified True Copy

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

### Re: Resolution - OPP Notice of Motion for funding support - Municipality of Tweed

At its meeting of October 16, 2024, the Council of the Township of Whitewater Region adopted the following resolution:

**WHEREAS it is apparent that the Ontario Government has overlooked the needs of small rural Ontario;**

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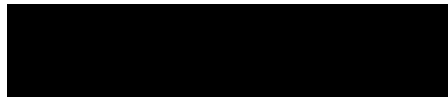
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Carried as amended - Resolution #2024 - 5187

Sincerely,



Carmen Miller  
Clerk/CEMC







29 November 2024

The Hon. Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

**RE: Resolution - Support for Provincial Absorption of OPP Costs**

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lanark Highlands passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held November 26th, 2024:

*Moved by Councillor Kelso*

*Seconded by Reeve McLaren*

**THAT**, the Council of the Township of Lanark Highlands expresses its support for the resolution from the Town of Midland, advocating for the full absorption of Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) costs into the provincial budget, eliminating cost recovery from municipalities;

**AND THAT**, a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Ministry of the Solicitor General, the Ministry of Finance, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all municipalities across Ontario for their information and consideration.

**Resolved**

Sincerely,

Nicole Guthrie  
Clerk

Encls.

c.c. The Solicitor General  
Minister of Finance  
Association of Municipalities  
All Ontario Municipalities

THE CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWN OF MIDLAND



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November 7, 2024

Premier Ford  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford:

**Re: Sustainable Funding for Small Urban Municipalities**

At its November 6, 2024 Regular Council Meeting the Council for the Town of Midland passed the following Resolution:

*WHEREAS it is apparent that the Ontario Government has overlooked the needs of Ontario's small urban municipalities; and*

*WHEREAS Ontario's small urban municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads, water/ wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities, libraries and other tangible capital assets; and*

*WHEREAS an increase of 26% one year, which is a million dollars (roughly 4% tax increase) for Midland and is something never projected;*

*NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT The Town of Midland call on the Ontario Government to immediately implement sustainable funding for small urban municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities; and*

*FURTHER THAT the OPP Billing Model be referred to the Auditor General for review; and*

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Thank you.

Yours very truly,

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MIDLAND**

*Sherri Edgar*

Sherri Edgar, AMCT  
Municipal Clerk  
Ext. 2210

cc.

MPP, Simcoe North, Jill Dunlop [jill.dunlopco@pc.ola.org](mailto:jill.dunlopco@pc.ola.org)  
Minister of the Solicitor General, Sylvia Jones [sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org](mailto:sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org)  
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TOWNSHIP OF CHAMPLAIN

RESOLUTION  
REGULAR MEETING

**Agenda Number:** 11.1.  
**Resolution Number** 2024-401  
**Title:** OPP Billing  
**Date:** November 28, 2024

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**Moved By:** Gérard Miner  
**Seconded By:** Paul Emile Duval

**WHEREAS** it is apparent that the Ontario Government has overlooked the needs of Ontario’s rural municipalities; and

**WHEREAS** Ontario’s rural municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads, water/ wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities, libraries and other tangible capital assets; and

**WHEREAS** municipalities across Ontario are facing significant increases in policing costs in 2025 after the Ontario Police Association and Province ratified a four-year collective agreement for uniform and civilian employees; and

**WHEREAS** an increase of 14.74% in OPP billing one year, which is a \$188,772 (roughly 2.36% tax increase) for Champlain Township is something never projected;

**NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT** The Township of Champlain call on the Ontario Government to immediately implement sustainable funding for rural municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities; and

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**CARRIED**

Certified True Copy of Resolution

**Alison Collard**   
Signed with ConsignO Cloud (2024/11/29)  
Verify with verifio.com or Adobe Reader.

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Alison Collard, Clerk      Date:

CANTON DE CHAMPLAIN  
RÉSOLUTION  
REGULAR MEETING

No. du point à l'ordre du jour: 11.1.  
No. du point 2024-401  
Titre: Facturation du PPO  
Date: le 28 novembre 2024

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Proposée par: Gérard Miner  
Appuyée par: Paul Emile Duval

**ATTENDU QU'**il est évident que le gouvernement de l'Ontario a négligé les besoins des municipalités rurales de l'Ontario ; et

**ATTENDU QUE** les municipalités rurales de l'Ontario sont confrontées à des défis insurmontables pour financer à la fois les investissements initiaux et l'entretien continu de leurs immobilisations, notamment les routes, l'eau et les eaux usées, ainsi que les bâtiments appartenant à la municipalité, y compris les installations récréatives, les bibliothèques et d'autres immobilisations corporelles ; et

**ATTENDU QUE** les municipalités de l'Ontario sont confrontées à des augmentations importantes des coûts de maintien de l'ordre en 2025, après que l'Association de la police de l'Ontario et la province ont ratifié une convention collective de quatre ans pour les employés en uniforme et les employés civils ; et

**ATTENDU QU'**une augmentation de 14,74 % de la facturation de la PPO en un an, soit 188 772 \$ (environ 2,36 % d'augmentation des taxes) pour le canton de Champlain, est quelque chose qui n'a jamais été prévu ;

**QU'IL SOIT RÉSOLU QUE** le Canton de Champlain demande au gouvernement de l'Ontario de mettre en œuvre immédiatement un financement durable pour les municipalités rurales en réabsorbant le coût de la Police provinciale de l'Ontario dans le budget provincial, sans recouvrement des coûts pour les municipalités ; et

**DE PLUS, QU'IL SOIT RÉSOLU QUE** le modèle de facturation de la Police provinciale de l'Ontario soit soumis à l'examen du vérificateur général ; et

**DE PLUS, QU'IL SOIT RÉSOLU QUE** le Conseil demande au personnel de faire circuler cette résolution au premier ministre Doug Ford ([premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)), au ministre du Solliciteur général, au ministre des Finances, à l'Association des municipalités de l'Ontario ([amo@amo.on.ca](mailto:amo@amo.on.ca)) et à toutes les municipalités de l'Ontario.

**ADOPTÉE**

Copie certifiée conforme

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Alison Collard, greffière      Date :

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**Subject:** Request for Province to Amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 10, 2024 11:21:24 AM

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To: The Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.  
The Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke.

Please see the following resolution of the Council of the Town of Deep River regarding Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, passed at the November 20, 2024 Meeting, and respectfully submitted for your consideration.

- 4.3 Notices of Motion
- 4.3.1 Request to Province to Amend the Blue Box Regulation  
Glenn Doncaster, Reeve, Town of Deep River

**RESOLUTION 2024 319**

**MOVED BY:** Reeve Doncaster  
**SECONDED BY:** Councillor Hughes

**WHEREAS** under Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box, producers are fully accountable and financially responsible for their products and packaging once they reach their end of life and are disposed of, for 'eligible' sources only;

**AND WHEREAS** 'ineligible' sources which producers are not responsible for including businesses, places of worship, daycares, campgrounds, public-facing and internal areas of municipal-owned buildings and not-for-profit organizations, such as shelters and food banks;

**AND WHEREAS** should a municipality continue to provide services to the 'ineligible' sources, the municipality will be required to oversee the collection, transportation, and processing of the recycling, assuming 100% of the costs;

**AND WHEREAS** these costs this will further burden the municipalities' finances and potentially take resources away from vital infrastructure projects;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Deep River hereby request that the province amend Ontario Regulation 391/21: Blue Box so that producers are responsible for the end-of-life management of

recycling products from all sources;

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council hereby request the support of all Ontario Municipalities;

**AND FURTHER THAT** this resolution be forwarded the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks, the Honourable John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew, Nipissing Pembroke, and to all Ontario Municipalities.

**CARRIED**

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Kind Regards,

Jackie Mellon  
Clerk  
Town of Deep River

cc: All Ontario Municipalities



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(Sent by Email)

December 20, 2024

**ALL ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES:****Subject: Member Motion Item 23.1  
Declaring Toronto a Paid-Plasma-Free Zone - by Councillor Chris Moise,  
seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo (Ward All)**

City Council on November 13 and 14, 2024, adopted [Item MM23.1](#) and in doing so, has forward this item to Canadian Blood Services, federal, provincial and territorial Ministers of Health, Grifols Pharmaceuticals, and all Ontario Municipalities and requested that they support only voluntary blood and plasma collection, where donors do not receive payment for their blood or plasma.

Yours sincerely,

*Niko Markakis*, for

for City Clerk

S. Przewdziecki/mp

## Attachment

Sent to: All Ontario Municipalities  
Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Blood Services  
Chief Executive Officer, Grifols Canada

c. City Manager

## City Council

### Member Motions - Meeting 23

MM23.1	ACTION	Adopted		Ward: All
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### **Declaring Toronto a Paid-Plasma-Free Zone - by Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo**

#### **City Council Decision**

City Council on November 13 and 14, 2024, adopted the following:

1. City Council express its opposition to the operation of private for-profit blood collection companies in the City.
2. City Council forward this item to Canadian Blood Services, federal, provincial and territorial Ministers of Health, Grifols Pharmaceuticals, and all Ontario Municipalities and request that they support only voluntary blood and plasma collection, where donors do not receive payment for their blood or plasma.

#### **Summary**

In the City of Toronto, we uphold the principle of voluntary blood and plasma donation, acknowledging its vital importance as a public good. Our commitment derives from the lessons of Canada’s tainted blood crisis, which tragically claimed approximately 8,000 lives. The subsequent Royal Krever Commission urged a fully voluntary, non-payment oriented blood and plasma donation system.

Within our Ontario healthcare system, we perceive blood donations as a priceless public resource, underscoring the need to safeguard the integrity of the public, voluntary donor system.

The Voluntary Blood Donations Act of Ontario strengthens this stance, legislating against the payment of donors and prohibiting donors from receiving financial compensation for their blood or plasma.

Canada Blood Services plans to open five paid plasma clinics, including one in Toronto, by 2025. This issue needs immediate attention and action. The public health community has raised concerns about Grifols Pharmaceuticals' plans to open a Toronto clinic. It's vital we protect vulnerable residents from exploitation by for-profit plasma collection companies offering cash for blood-plasma, a predatory practice.

In bringing this motion forward, we strive to reinforce the principles of voluntary, non-remunerated blood and plasma donation, protecting both the integrity of Canada’s public blood system and the dignity of blood donors.



## **Background Information (City Council)**

Member Motion MM23.1

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-249600.pdf>

Attachment 1 - Resolution to Declare the City of Hamilton a "No Paid Plasma Zone"

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-250144.pdf>

**Council Meeting**

**Motion #** 12/11/24 - 02

**Title:** Property Taxation Implications Related to Non-Market Valuation of Electricity Industry Properties, CAO General-2024-33

**Date:** Wednesday, December 11, 2024

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**Moved by:** Rory Cavanagh

**Seconded by:** Beth Blackwell

Whereas the Municipality of Kincardine is a proud host community of the Bruce Nuclear Generating Site where Bruce Power generates 30% of Ontario's electricity needs; and

Whereas two decades ago the Province of Ontario adopted a property tax assessment model that continues to apply to Ontario's nuclear generation facilities; and

Whereas the Province assessment model includes non-market property valuation for electricity generating properties; and

Whereas the Municipality of Kincardine undertook a study in 2024 which has shown that the Provincial assessment model is compromising fairness and shifting the tax burden away from the electricity industry properties and onto the broader property tax base within the host community; and

Whereas the study demonstrated that this is primarily attributable to the assessed value of the subject properties being held almost static over several reassessment cycles, resulting from the Provincially prescribed rules for electricity generating, transmission and distribution properties; and

Whereas the Provincial model results in a disparity between the continuously updated market values assigned to the majority of properties and the static, non-market-based formula applied to electricity industry properties means that the tax burden shifts onto non-industry taxpayers; and

Now Therefore be it Resolved That municipal staff be directed to send communication to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Energy and Electrification, the Minister of Finance, and the local MPP, to request that the Province undertake an immediate review and update the property tax assessment model for Ontario's nuclear generation facilities and other properties within the electricity industry, and copy the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities.

**Carried.**

Jennifer Lawrie

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Clerk



# The City of Niagara Falls, Ontario

## Resolution

Resolution No. 19

November 12, 2024

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
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Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

The Honourable Sylvia Jones,  
Minister of Health  
5th floor, 777 Bay Street  
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Honourable and Dear Sir and Madam:

**Re: Request Provincial Funding Remain Available to Support Fort Erie's Primary Care Initiative**

The Municipal Council of the City of Niagara Falls at its Council meeting of November 12, 2024 unanimously passed the following resolution:

**Whereas** the Douglas Memorial Hospital was built primarily with funds left by the estate of William Douglas on his death in 1929; and

**Whereas** the Douglas Memorial Hospital ("the Hospital") opened for operation in 1931; and

**Whereas** the Hospital operated in the black during all of its years of operation (1931- 1998) as a full-service hospital under the management and guidance of its own Board of Trustees; and

**Whereas** the Health Services Restructuring Commission ("HSRC") recommended in 1998 that Douglas Memorial continue operation as a hospital within the new Niagara Health System ("NHS"), with acute and chronic care beds, emergency and ambulatory services and a range of diagnostics; and

**Whereas** despite the creation of a standing committee of the NHS Board for Fort Erie, pursuant to recommendation of the HSRC, to assure local input into Board decision making and that no decision to eliminate any inpatient or emergency services would be made unless approved by such standing committee, the NHS embarked on a systematic reduction or elimination of various services at the Hospital until the adoption by the NHS of its "Hospital Improvement Plan" ("HIP") in 2008; and

**Whereas** pursuant to the HIP the NHS eliminated emergency and all other health care services at the Hospital in 2009, with the exception of a 24-hour Urgent Care Centre (“UCC”), chronic care beds, palliative care beds and some diagnostics, without the approval of the Hospital standing committee; and

**Whereas** in July 2023 Niagara Health (“NH”), as it is now designated, reduced the hours of operation of the Hospital UCC to 12 hours, although the public only has access to the UCC from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily; and

**Whereas** NH has recently adopted a 3 hospital model for the future of hospital services in Niagara that intends to completely close the Hospital, resulting in no urgent, chronic or palliative or diagnostic services in Fort Erie once the new South Niagara Hospital is opened in or about 2028; and

**Whereas** the most recent population data available indicates that Fort Erie’s current population is 36,200, far greater than projected during deliberations with respect to Niagara Region’s new Official Plan, adopted in July 2022; and

**Whereas** the Niagara Region’s population is growing at a rate far greater than anticipated by the Province or NH, particularly when projections were being made for the hospital needs of South Niagara when planning for the new South Niagara Hospital; and

**Whereas** there are over 7,000 Fort Erie residents unattached to a primary care physician, necessitating a primary care “safety net”, such as a UCC or alternative to avoid first point of health care contact at local emergency departments; and

**Whereas** the UCC at Douglas Memorial forms that primary health care “safety net” in the absence of sufficient primary care physicians or service providers in Fort Erie; and  
**Whereas** the removal of UCC services, chronic care beds, palliative care beds and diagnostics from the Hospital will result in an unreasonable and unnecessary hardship for current and future residents of Fort Erie and will foreclose the use of the Hospital as a safety valve for NH patients anywhere in Niagara in the event the new South Niagara Hospital is unable to meet the demands that the increasing population of Niagara will place on it; and  
**Whereas** a prudent approach to managing the hospital and health care needs of Niagara, particularly South Niagara and Fort Erie, would recognize the value of retaining a fully operational UCC, with diagnostics and clinics, as well as chronic care and palliative care beds at the Hospital; and

**Whereas** there is no indication that NH has any intention of changing course on its 3 hospital model for Niagara despite requests by the Town of Fort Erie to continue the services available at the Hospital; and

**Whereas** the residents of Fort Erie need and deserve equitable primary health care services, including 24-hour Urgent Care and associated services;

Now therefore be it resolved,

1. **That** the Council for the City of Niagara Falls requests that the Minister of Health commit to funding all necessary services at the new South Niagara hospital without the removal or reallocation of operational funding from the Douglas Memorial for the UCC and other current health services, and further

**2. That** the Council for the City of Niagara Falls requests that the Minister of Health direct any and all funding from the Province of Ontario for the operation of the UCC (primary care), chronic care beds and palliative care beds, and all diagnostic and associated services at Douglas Memorial remain in Fort Erie for use by Niagara Health as part of a revised hospital model for Niagara or an alternative model operated by a qualified designated health care services entity working in collaboration with the Town of Fort Erie should NH close Douglas Memorial as a hospital site, either before or following the completion and opening of the new South Niagara Hospital, and further

**3. That:** the Mayor and Town of Fort Erie staff enter into discussions with the Minister of Health and Niagara Health and such other health care providers as deemed appropriate to ensure the continued operation of primary care and other current services at Douglas Memorial, with or without the involvement of NH, and further

**4. That:** the Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Doug Ford, be requested to support this initiative, and further

**5. That:** a copy of this Resolution be provided to the Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Doug Ford; the Ontario Minister of Health, Sylvia Jones; the Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Justin Trudeau; the federal Minister of Health, Mark Holland; the four MPPs and MPs who represent Niagara; the Niagara Region and the other 11 local area municipalities in Niagara for support.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

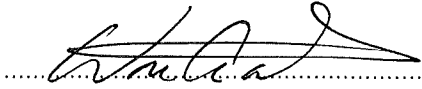


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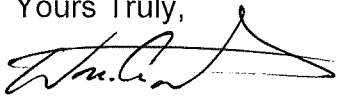
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Yours Truly,



Bill Matson

City Clerk, City of Niagara Falls



The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles  
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

**Agenda Number:** 8.3.  
**Resolution Number** 2024-404  
**Title:** Resolution Stemming from October 16, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council - Item 8.1 - Correspondence #7  
**Date:** November 20, 2024

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**Moved by:** Councillor Laframboise  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Pothier

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby supports Resolution #C-2024-09-16 passed by Tay Valley Township, regarding Public Sector Salary Disclosure; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); our local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP); and all Ontario Municipalities.**

**CARRIED**

  
MAYOR



September 25, 2024

The Honorable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Sent by Email

Dear: Honourable Doug Ford

**RE: Public Sector Salary Disclosure**

The Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township at its meeting held on September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024 adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION #C-2024-09-16**

MOVED BY: Greg Hallam  
SECONDED BY: Wayne Baker

**“THAT**, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township support the Township of Stirling-Rawdon’s resolution regarding Public Sector Salary Disclosure;

**THAT**, the Public Sector Salary Disclosure Act be updated to reflect the inflation rates since 1996;

**THAT**, the Act be further updated so that the inflation rate is applied each year to the requirement to report public salaries;

**AND THAT**, this resolution be sent to the Province of Ontario Premier's Office, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities.”

**ADOPTED**



If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (613) 267-5353 ext. 130 or [deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca](mailto:deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca)

Sincerely,



Aaron Watt, Deputy Clerk

Cc: Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities



November 27, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada

**Delivered by email**  
justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario

premier@ontario.ca

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Ford:

**Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of November 26, 2024  
Member Motion 8.9.1 - Mayor Mrakas; Re: Request the Redistribution of the  
Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable  
Infrastructure Funding**

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its meeting held on November 26, 2024, and in this regard, Council adopted the following resolution:

**Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and**

**Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and**

**Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and**

**Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and**

**Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and**

**Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure**

**initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;**

- 1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and**
- 2. Be It Further Resolved That Aurora Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and**
- 3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and**
- 4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and**
- 5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.**

The above is for your consideration and any attention deemed necessary.

Sincerely,



Ishita Soneji  
Deputy Town Clerk  
The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

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Attachment (Council meeting extract)

Town of Aurora Council Resolution of November 26, 2024  
Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to  
Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding  
November 27, 2024

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Copy: Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance  
Hon. Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Leah Taylor Roy, MP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill  
Tony Van Bynen, MP Newmarket—Aurora  
Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP Newmarket—Aurora  
Hon. Michael Parsa, MPP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill  
All Ontario Municipalities  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)



## 8. Committee of the Whole Meeting Report of November 5, 2024

**Moved by** Councillor Weese

**Seconded by** Councillor Thompson

That the Committee of the Whole Meeting Report of November 5, 2024, be received and the recommendations carried by the Committee approved, with the exception of sub-items 8.5.4, 8.8.1, and 8.8.3, which were discussed and voted on separately as recorded below.

Yeas (7): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Gaertner, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

**Carried (7 to 0)**

### 8.9 Member Motions

#### 8.9.1 Mayor Mrakas; Re: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and

sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. Be It Further Resolved That Aurora Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

**Carried**



November 29, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister

Sent via email: [justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca)

Dear Honourable Justin Trudeau,

Please be advised that Brantford City Council at its meeting held November 26, 2024 adopted the following:

**12.2.9 Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding**

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

WHEREAS a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT Brantford City Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

- B. THAT Brantford City Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
- C. THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
- D. THAT copies of this resolution BE FORWARDED to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Larry Brock - Member of Parliament (MP) and Will Bouma - Members of Provincial Parliament (MPP); and
- E. THAT copies of this resolution BE FORWARDED to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours truly,



Chris Gauthier  
City Clerk, [cgauthier@brantford.ca](mailto:cgauthier@brantford.ca)

cc Premier Doug Ford  
Ontario Minister of Finance  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Member of Parliament (MP) Larry Brock  
Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) Will Bouma  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
Ontario Municipalities



The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles  
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

**Agenda Number:** 8.5.  
**Resolution Number** 2024-406  
**Title:** Resolution Requesting the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding (Fair Share)  
**Date:** November 20, 2024

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**Moved by:** Councillor Loftus  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Lachance

**WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development;**

**AND WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;**

**AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities;**

**AND WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs;**

**AND WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers;**

**AND WHEREAS a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;**

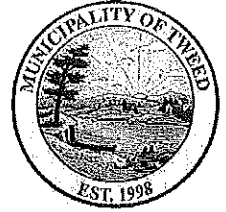
- 1. NOW THEREFORE BE IN HEREBY RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and,**
- 2. BE IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and,**
- 3. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and,**

4. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and,
5. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

**CARRIED**

  
MAYOR

Municipality of Tweed Council Meeting  
Council Meeting



**Resolution No.** 589  
**Title:** Town of Aurora, Aurora, ON  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 12, 2024

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**Moved by** J. Palmateer  
**Seconded by** P. Valiquette

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council support the Mayor of the Town of Aurora request for the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding.

AND FURTHER THAT Council hereby adopts the following Resolution:

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the Municipality of Tweed Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

Be It Further Resolved That the Municipality of Tweed Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau,

MP Scott Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament, Ric Bresee and Members of Provincial Parliament Shelby Kramp-Neuman and Minister of Infrastructure, Kinga Surma; and

Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and Rural Ontario Municipalities Association (ROMA) for their endorsement and advocacy.

**Carried**



November 28, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
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Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau:

**The Regional  
Municipality of  
Durham**

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**Alexander Harras  
M.P.A.  
Director of  
Legislative Services  
& Regional Clerk**

**RE: Motion Requesting the Redistribution of the Provincial  
Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for  
Sustainable Infrastructure Funding, Our File: C00**

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Council of the Region of Durham, at its meeting held on November 27, 2024, passed the following resolution:

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development;

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities;

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs;

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers;

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That The Regional Municipality of Durham Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;
2. Be It Further Resolved That The Regional Municipality of Durham Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs;
4. Be It Further Resolved That the province be reminded it has been asked by AMO and municipalities to develop a new and comprehensive funding arrangement with municipalities including the housing affordability taskforce recommendations;
5. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
6. Be It Further Resolved That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

*Alexander Harras*

Alexander Harras, M.P.A.  
Director of Legislative Services & Regional Clerk  
AH/tf

c: Hon. D. Ford, Premier, Province of Ontario  
Hon. P. Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance, MPP,  
Pickering/Uxbridge  
Hon. P. Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Hon. M. Holland, MP, Ajax  
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J. Schmale, MP, Haliburton/Kawartha Lakes/Brock  
P. Lawrence, MP, Northumberland/Peterborough South  
C. Carrie, MP, Oshawa  
J. O'Connell, MP, Pickering/Uxbridge  
R. Turnbull, MP, Whitby  
P. Barnes, MPP, Ajax  
L. Coe, MPP, Whitby  
J. French, MPP, Oshawa  
Hon. T. McCarthy, MPP, Durham  
Hon. D. Piccini, MPP, Northumberland/Peterborough South  
L. Scott, MPP, Haliburton/Kawartha Lakes/Brock  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities  
A. Burgess, Director, Communications and Engagement  
B. Hannelas, Manager, Corporate Initiatives and Government  
Relations

**From:** [Regional.Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Motion to Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding  
**Date:** Monday, December 2, 2024 2:24:31 PM

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On November 28, 2024 Regional Council endorsed the following resolution:

**WHEREAS** municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development;

**AND WHEREAS** the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;

**AND WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities;

**AND WHEREAS** the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs;

**AND WHEREAS** redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers;

**AND WHEREAS** a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Regional Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** Regional Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** copies of this resolution be forwarded to



the Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs)

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Regards,

**Christopher Raynor** (he/him) | Regional Clerk, Regional Clerk's Office, Corporate Services Department

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December 3, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
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Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

VIA EMAIL: [justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca)

Dear Prime Minister:

Re: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST

Please be advised that the Town of New Tecumseth Council passed the following resolution at their meeting of December 2, 2024:

**Whereas** municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development;

**And Whereas** the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;

**And Whereas** the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities;

**And Whereas** the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs;

**And Whereas** redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers;

**And Whereas** a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved That** the Town of New Tecumseth Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;

**And Further That** the Town of New Tecumseth Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;

**And Further That** this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs;

**And Further That** copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs);

**And Further That** copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Yours truly,

*Pam Slowleigh*

Pamela Slowleigh  
Deputy Clerk

- cc. Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)  
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance, [Peter.Bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org](mailto:Peter.Bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org),  
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# The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

## Resolution

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Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada  
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December 6, 2024

### RE: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Please be advised that the Town of Cobourg Council, at its meeting held on November 20, 2024, passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

WHEREAS a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Cobourg Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and



# The Corporation of the Town of Cobourg

## Resolution

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FURTHER THAT the Town of Cobourg Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

FURTHER THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

FURTHER THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

FURTHER THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Sincerely,

Kristina Lepik  
Deputy Clerk/Manager, Legislative Services

cc. Honourable, Doug Ford Premier of Ontario;  
Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance;  
Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;  
Honourable Philip Lawrence, Northumberland – Peterborough South MP;  
Honourable David Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills  
Development and Northumberland – Peterborough South MPP; and  
All Ontario Municipalities



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December 5, 2024

Via Email: [justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca)

The Honourable Justin Trudeau  
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The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada and Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

**Re: City of Port Colborne Support the Township of McGarry Redistribution of Land Transfer Tax**

Please be advised that, at its meeting of November 26, 2024 the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne supported the resolution from the Township of McGarry regarding Redistribution of Land Transfer Tax.

Please find attached the Township of McGarry correspondence for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Madden  
City Clerk

ec: Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance  
Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Vance Badawey, Member of Parliament, Niagara Centre  
Dean Allison, Niagara West MP  
Chris Bittle, St. Catharines MP  
Tony Baldinelli, Niagara Falls MP  
Jeff Burch, Niagara Centre MPP  
Wayne Gates, Niagara Falls MPP  
Sam Oosterhoff, Niagara West MPP  
Jennifer Stevens, St. Catharines MPP  
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November 12, 2024

Resolution No. 333/2024

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCGARRY  
P.O. BOX 99,  
VIRGINIATOWN, ON. P0K 1X0**

MOVED BY *Debbie Fox*

SECONDED BY *Francine Plante*

**Whereas** municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

**Whereas** the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

**Whereas** the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and;

**Whereas** the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

**Whereas** redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

**Whereas** a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. **Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. **Be It Further Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. **Be It Further Resolved That** this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive their fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

4. **Be It Further Resolved That** copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. **Be It Further Resolved That** copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ / Carried Bonita Culhane  
 Mayor Mayor

Recorded Vote	Requested by _____	
	YES	NO
Mayor Bonita Culhane	_____	_____
Councillor Louanne Caza	_____	_____
Councillor Elaine Fic	_____	_____
Councillor Annie Keft	_____	_____
Councillor Francine Plante	_____	_____





The Corporation of the Township of  
**NORTH STORMONT**  
**RESOLUTION**

**Date:** November 26, 2024

**Resolution No.** 393-2024

**MOVED BY:**

**SECONDED BY:**

Mayor F. Landry \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Mayor S. Densham \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor A. Bugelli AB \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor A. McDonald \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor C. Shane \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor F. Landry \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Mayor S. Densham \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor A. Bugelli \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor A. McDonald \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor C. Shane CS \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

WHEREAS a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transaction to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Stormont calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a

fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, the Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP for Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry, Eric Duncan, MPP for Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry, Nolan Quinn; and

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

CARRIED     DEFEATED     DEFERRED

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair

Declaration of Conflict of Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

- Disclosed His/Her/Their Interest
- Vacated His/Her/Their Seat

RECORDED VOTE	
Councillor C. Shane	_____
Councillor A. McDonald	_____
Councillor A. Bugelli	_____
Deputy Mayor S. Densham	_____
Mayor F. Landry	_____



Hon. Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
VIA EMAIL:  
[justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca)

Hon. Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
VIA EMAIL:  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Township of Puslinch  
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Puslinch, ON N0B 2J0  
[www.puslinch.ca](http://www.puslinch.ca)

December 13, 2024

Hon. Paul Calandra  
Minister of Municipal Affairs  
and Housing  
VIA EMAIL:  
[minister.mah@ontario.ca](mailto:minister.mah@ontario.ca)

Hon. Chrystia Freeland  
Minister of Finance  
VIA EMAIL:  
[chrystia.freeland@parl.gc.ca](mailto:chrystia.freeland@parl.gc.ca)

Hon. Ted Arnott, MPP  
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Hon. Michael Chong, MP  
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RE: Redistribution of Land Transfer Tax and Property Sale GST

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on November 27, 2024 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

**Resolution No. 2024-429:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Hurst

**That the Consent Agenda items listed with the exception of items 6.2 and 6.3 for NOVEMBER 27, 2024 Council meeting be received for information; and**

**Whereas the Township of Puslinch supports the Resolution from the Township of Larder Lake and Township of McGarry;**

**Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and**



**Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and**

**Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and**

**Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and**

**Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and**

**Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;**

**Be it resolved that the Township of Puslinch requests as follows:**

**That the Provincial Government consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and**

**That the Federal Government be requested to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and**

**That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thereby ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and**



**Be It further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and**

**That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.**

**CARRIED**

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston  
Municipal Clerk

CC: All Ontario Municipalities, Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LARDER LAKE**

**69 Fourth Avenue, Larder Lake, ON**  
 Phone: 705-643-2158 Fax: 705-643-2311



**MOVED BY:**

- Thomas Armstrong
- Patricia Hull
- Paul Kelly
- Lynne Paquette

**SECONDED BY:**

- Thomas Armstrong
- Patricia Hull
- Paul Kelly
- Lynne Paquette

Motion #: 7

Resolution #: 7

Date: November 12, 2024

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

Recorded vote requested:

	For	Against
Tom Armstrong		
Patricia Hull		
Paul Kelly		
Lynne Paquette		
Patty Quinn		

I declare this motion

<input type="checkbox"/> Carried
<input type="checkbox"/> Lost / Defeated
<input type="checkbox"/> Deferred to: _____ (enter date)
Because:
<input type="checkbox"/> Referred to: _____ (enter body)
Expected response: _____ (enter date)

<b>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest*</b>

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Disclosed his/her (their) interest(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote on this question.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LARDER LAKE**

**69 Fourth Avenue, Larder Lake, ON**

Phone: 705-643-2158 Fax: 705-643-2311



**MOVED BY:**

- Thomas Armstrong
- Patricia Hull
- Paul Kelly
- Lynne Paquette

**SECONDED BY:**

- Thomas Armstrong
- Patricia Hull
- Paul Kelly
- Lynne Paquette

Motion #: 8

Resolution #: 7

Date: November 12, 2024

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That the Township of Larder Lake Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. Be It Further Resolved That the Township of Larder Lake Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

5. *Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.*

Recorded vote requested:

	For	Against
Tom Armstrong	✓	
Patricia Hull	✓	
Paul Kelly	✓	
Lynne Paquette		
Patty Quinn	✓	

I declare this motion

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carried
<input type="checkbox"/> Lost / Defeated
<input type="checkbox"/> Deferred to: _____ (enter date)
Because:
<input type="checkbox"/> Referred to: _____ (enter body)
Expected response: _____ (enter date)

<b>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest*</b>

Chair: [REDACTED]

\*Disclosed his/her (their) interest(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote on this question.



November 12, 2024

Resolution No. 333/2024

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MCGARRY  
P.O. BOX 99,  
VIRGINIATOWN, ON. P0K 1X0**

MOVED BY [REDACTED]

SECONDED BY [REDACTED]

**Whereas** municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

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**Whereas** the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and;

**Whereas** the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

**Whereas** redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

**Whereas** a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. **Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. **Be It Further Resolved That** The Council of the Corporation of the Township of McGarry calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. **Be It Further Resolved That** this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive their fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and



4. **Be It Further Resolved That** copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. **Be It Further Resolved That** copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_ / Carried \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Mayor

Recorded Vote	Requested by _____	
	YES	NO
Mayor Bonita Culhane	_____	_____
Councillor Louanne Caza	_____	_____
Councillor Elaine Fic	_____	_____
Councillor Annie Keft	_____	_____
Councillor Francine Plante	_____	_____



December 12, 2024

Right Honorable Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Sent by Email

Dear: Prime Minister Justin Trudeau

**RE: Follow-Up: Support for the Motion on Sustainable Municipal Funding.**

The Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township at its meeting on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION #C-2024-12-14**

**MOVED BY:** Angela Pierman  
**SECONDED BY:** Wayne Baker

**“WHEREAS**, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township supports the Town of Aurora’s motion to Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding;

**AND WHEREAS**, municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development;

**AND WHEREAS**, the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs;

**AND WHEREAS**, redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers;

**AND WHEREAS**, a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;

**THAT**, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;

**THAT**, this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs;

**THAT**, copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs);

**AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.”

**ADOPTED**

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (613) 267-5353 ext. 130 or [deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca](mailto:deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca)

Sincerely,



Aaron Watt, Deputy Clerk

cc: Honorable Premier Doug Ford,  
Honorable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance,  
Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,  
Local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament,  
All Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

MUNICIPALITY OF PORT HOPE  
RESOLUTION

Date: 17 December 2024

252 - 2024

MOVED BY: Deputy Mayor Hollaway Wadhvani

SECONDED BY: Councillor Tans

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

WHEREAS a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Port Hope Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Port Hope Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.



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Mayor Olena Hankivsky



**City of Stratford, Corporate Services Department**

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December 18, 2024

**Sent via email:** dmoratto@king.ca

Diane M. Moratto,  
Administrative Clerk – Council/Committee  
Township of King

**Re: Resolution Regarding Requesting the Redistribution of Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities**

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated November 18, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their consideration as part of the December 16, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-197). At the meeting, Council adopted the following resolution:

**THAT CA-2024-197, being resolutions requesting the redistribution of Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities for sustainable infrastructure funding, be endorsed.**

Sincerely,  
*T. Dafoe*  
Tatiana Dafoe, Clerk

/mf

cc: Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance  
Hon. Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
All Ontario municipalities



# Corporation of The Township of Stone Mills

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December 19, 2024

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Sent by Email

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## **RE: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding**

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Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Stone Mills at its meeting on December 16, 2024, adopted the following resolution,

Moved by Councillor McDonald  
Seconded by Councillor Woodcock

That the correspondence from the Town of Aurora be received and the following motion be adopted,

**Whereas** municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and  
Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

**Whereas** the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

**Whereas** the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

**Whereas** redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

**Whereas** a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

**Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That** Township of Stone Mills Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

**Be It Further Resolved That** Township of Stone Mills Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

**Be It Further Resolved That** this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local



governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

**Be It Further Resolved That** copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

**Be It Further Resolved That** copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

**Carried.**

If you require anything further, please contact the undersigned.

*B Teeple*

**Brandi Teeple**

Township Clerk

Township of Stone Mills

Phone: 613 378-2475 ext. 225

Email: bteeple@stonemills.com

cc. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Peter Bethlenfalvy Ontario Minister of Finance

Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Ric Bresee, MPP Hastings-Lennox and Addington

Shelby Kramp-Neuman MP Hastings-Lennox and Addington

All Ontario municipalities

Federation of Canadian Municipalities

Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Good day Elected Official,

For many years, we have advocated for our fair share of funding from both Provincial and Federal governments. Through FCM and AMO, we've pushed for reforms and for sustainable, predictable funding for municipal infrastructure. With both Provincial and Federal elections approaching, I believe it's time for us to unite and propose a solution for municipalities' fair share.

As we're asked to meet growth targets, our municipalities urgently need predictable, long-term funding to support critical infrastructure, including roads, bridges, and public transit. We need all levels of government to collaborate on a solution that doesn't rely solely on property taxes to fund essential infrastructure in our communities. That's why we're calling on the Province to allocate a portion of the Land Transfer Tax, and on the Federal Government to allocate a portion of the GST from new home sales—no new taxes, just a fair distribution of our own funds for our communities!

Bellow is a Motion I respectfully ask you to bring forward at your council.

This motion ensures that we have the resources to build and maintain the infrastructure that keeps our municipalities running smoothly, without increasing property taxes.

Please consider adding this Motion to your Council agendas. It is essential that our collective voices are heard. Local governments deserve predictable, long-term funding to support critical infrastructure. Together, we can build a brighter future for all Ontarians.

*Motion: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST*

*to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding*

*Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges,*

*public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to*

*community well-being and economic development; and*

*Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user*

*fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;*

*and*

*Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on*

*property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and*

*Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and*

*Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and*

*Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;*

*1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That \_\_\_\_\_Municipality\_\_\_\_\_ Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and*

*2. Be It Further Resolved That \_\_\_\_\_Municipality\_\_\_\_\_ Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and*

*3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST*

*should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and*

*4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and*

*5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.*

Regards,

Tom Mrakas

Mayor Town of Aurora

416-543-1624





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**SENT VIA EMAIL**

December 18, 2024

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2  
[justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca)

**RE: REQUESTING THE REDISTRIBUTION OF THE PROVINCIAL LAND TRANSFER  
TAX AND GST TO MUNICIPALITIES FOR SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE  
FUNDING  
TOWNSHIP FILE: A-00G**

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Please be advised that during the regular meeting of Council of December 9, 2024, the following motion was carried:

WHEREAS municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development;

WHEREAS the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities;

WHEREAS the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs;

WHEREAS redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers;

initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

THAT The Township of Uxbridge Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;

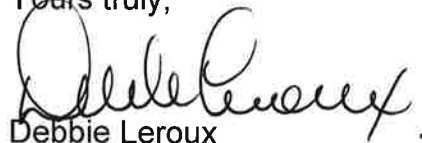
AND THAT the Township of Uxbridge Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;

AND THAT this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs;

That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs);

AND THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Yours truly,



Debbie Leroux

Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

cc: Premier Doug Ford [Premier Doug Ford \(premier@ontario.ca\)](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)  
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December 19, 2024

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

**RE: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding**

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Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Scugog at its regular meeting on December 16, 2024, passed the following motion supporting the resolution from the Town of Aurora regarding the Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding:

Moved by Regional Councillor McDougall

Seconded by Councillor Rock

**That** Correspondence received from the Town of Aurora regarding Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding - November 5, 2024, be endorsed.

**Carried**

Attached please find a copy of the Town of Aurora correspondence dated November 5, 2024.

If you require anything further, please contact the undersigned.





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Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Blair Labelle", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Blair Labelle  
Director of Corporate Services / Clerk  
/am

Enclosure

CC Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Peter Bethlenfalvy Ontario Minister of Finance  
Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Todd McCarthy, MPP Durham  
Jamil Jivani MP Durham  
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Town of Aurora

## Member Motion

Mayor's Office

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**Re:** Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

**To:** Members of Council

**From:** Mayor Tom Mrakas

**Date:** November 5, 2024

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Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. Be It Further Resolved That Aurora Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.



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December 24, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Sent by email to: [justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca)

**Re: Council Resolution Regarding Requesting the Redistribution of Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding**

At its regular meeting of Council held on December 4, 2024, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following motion:

**Resolution #: 5**

**Moved by:** B. Metzger

**Seconded by:** A. Stirk

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

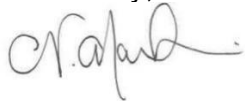
Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Township of Amaranth Council formally requests

1. The Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding
2. Be It Further Resolved That the Township of Amaranth Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

**CARRIED**

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you require any further information on this matter.

Yours truly,



Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.  
CAO/Clerk

**From:** [Sarah Leach](#)  
**To:** [clerks\\_pelham](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: South Stormont Resolution - Redistribution of a portion of Land Transfer Tax and Goods and Services Tax to Municipalities  
**Date:** Tuesday, December 24, 2024 12:33:41 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
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Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

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**Date:** December 24, 2024 at 12:01:24 PM EST  
**To:** Premier of Ontario | Premier ministre de l'Ontario <premier@ontario.ca>, Minister.fin@ontario.ca, minister.mah@ontario.ca, Nolan.Quinn@pc.ola.org  
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**Subject: South Stormont Resolution - Redistribution of a portion of Land  
Transfer Tax and Goods and Services Tax to Municipalities**

Good day,

Please be advised that Council of the Township of South Stormont passed the following resolution on December 18, 2024:

**Resolution No.: 253/2024**

**Moved By: Deputy Mayor Andrew Guindon**

**Seconded by: Councillor Cindy Woods**

**Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development;**

**And whereas, the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment;**

**And whereas, the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities;**

**And whereas, the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs;**

**And whereas, redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers;**

**And whereas, a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;**

**Now therefore be it resolved that Council of the Township of South Stormont formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities;**

**Further, that Council of the Township of South Stormont calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities;**

**Further, that this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs;**

**Further, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs);**

**And further be it resolved that copies of this resolution be**

**forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.**

**Result: CARRIED**

Kind regards,



*Ashley Sloan, AMP*

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December 13, 2024

## **Resolution Re: Regulating Exotic Animals and Licensing Zoos**

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At the regular Council meeting held on October 22, 2024, the following resolution was passed:

**MOVED BY HALLS, SECONDED BY BANFIELD  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Council do hereby support the Town of Kirkland Lake and the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus resolutions with respect to petitioning the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the procession, breeding, and use of exotic wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario's citizens and the exotic wild animal population.

**CARRIED**

Sincerely,

Shannon Peart  
Administrative Assistant Clerk's Department  
Township of East Garafraxa

Enclosures: Town of Kirkland Lake Motion – Exotic Animals  
Western Ontario Wardens Caucus – Roadside Zoos Legislation

cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Hon Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General  
Hon. Graydon Smith, Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers  
Municipal Law Enforcement Officers' Association  
World Animal Protection  
All Ontario Municipalities

April 5, 2024

SENT VIA EMAIL ONLY

To Whom It May Concern:

**RE: Motion – Exotic Animals**

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At its meeting of April 2, 2024, the Council for The Corporation of the Town of Kirkland Lake resolved the following:

*“Moved by: Mayor Stacy Wight  
Seconded by: Councillor Rick Owen*

**WHEREAS** Ontario has more private non-native (“exotic”) wild animal keepers, roadside zoos, mobile zoos, wildlife exhibits and other captive wildlife operations than any other province;

**AND WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario has of yet not developed regulations to prohibit or restrict animal possession, breeding, or use of exotic wild animals in captivity;

**AND WHEREAS** exotic wild animals can pose very serious human health and safety risks, and attacks causing human injury and death have occurred in the Province;

**AND WHEREAS** the keeping of exotic wild animals can cause poor animal welfare and suffering, and poses risks to local environments and wildlife;

**AND WHEREAS** owners of exotic wild animals can move from one community to another even after their operations have been shut down due to animal welfare or public health and safety concerns;

**AND WHEREAS** municipalities have struggled, often for months or years, to deal with exotic wild animal issues and have experienced substantive regulatory, administrative, enforcement and financial challenges;

**AND WHEREAS** the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), and the Municipal Law Enforcement Officers' Association (MLEOA) have indicated their support for World Animal Protection's campaign for provincial regulations of exotic wild animals and roadside zoos in letters to the Ontario Solicitor General and Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry;

***THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT*** *The Corporation of the Town of Kirkland Lake hereby petitions the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of exotic wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario's citizens and the exotic wild animal population;*

***AND FINALLY THAT*** *a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Ontario's Solicitor General, Ontario's Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry, MPP Timiskaming-Cochrane, AMO, AMCTO, MLEAO, Timiskaming Municipal Association (TMA), the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), and all municipalities within the District of Timiskaming.*

***CARRIED"***

As so directed, a copy of Council's resolution has been supplied above for your reference.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can provide clarification in this regard.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Spilman', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Amberly Spilman  
Deputy Clerk/Lottery Licensing Officer



Friday, September 27, 2024

Sent via email  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Hon. Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Bldg, Rm 281  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford,

**Re: Roadside Zoos Legislation**

On Sunday, August 18, 2024 the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus passed the following motion:

**Moved by B. Clarke, seconded by K. Marriott:**

**"THAT** this report titled "Roadside Zoos" be received and filed; and

**THAT** the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus pass the following resolution and forward to all 117 municipalities in Western Ontario;

**WHEREAS** Ontario has more private non-native ("exotic") wild animal keepers, roadside zoos, mobile zoos, wildlife exhibits and other captive wildlife operations than any other province; and,

**WHEREAS** the Province of Ontario has of yet not developed regulations to prohibit or restrict animal possession, breeding, or use of non-native ("exotic") wild animals in captivity; and,

**WHEREAS** non-native ("exotic") wild animals can pose very serious human health and safety risks, and attacks causing human injury and death have occurred in the province; and,

**WHEREAS** the keeping of non-native ("exotic") wild animals can cause poor animal welfare and suffering, and poses risks to local environments and wildlife; and,

**WHEREAS** owners of non-native ("exotic") wild animals can move from one community to another even after their operations have been shut down due to animal welfare or public health and safety concerns; and,

**WHEREAS** municipalities have struggled, often for months or years, to deal with non-native ("exotic") wild animal issues and have experienced substantive regulatory, administrative, enforcement and financial challenges; and,

**AND WHEREAS** the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) and the Municipal Law Enforcement Officers'

Association (MLEOA) have indicated their support for World Animal Protection's campaign for provincial regulations of non-native ("exotic") wild animals and roadside zoos in letters to the Ontario Solicitor General and Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus hereby petitions the provincial government to implement provincial regulations to restrict the possession, breeding, and use of non-native ("exotic") wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario's citizens and the non-native ("exotic") wild animal population;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution will be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario for support and that each endorsement be then forwarded to the Premier of Ontario (premier@ontario.ca), Ontario Solicitor General (michael.kerzner@ontario.ca), Ontario Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry (graydon.smith@ontario.ca ) and AMO (amo@amo.on.ca) , AMCTO (advocacy@amcto.com) , and MLEAO (mleo@mleoa.ca)." - **CARRIED**

Sincerely,



Glen McNeil,  
Chair, Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus

cc:

Hon Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General  
Hon. Graydon Smith, Minister for Natural Resources and Forestry  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Association of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers  
Municipal Law Enforcement Officers' Association  
Western Ontario Municipalities





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December 18, 2024

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Sylwia Przezdziecki  
Council Secretariat Support  
City of Toronto

**Re: Resolution Regarding Respecting Local Democracy and Cities (Ward All)**

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated November 18, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their consideration as part of the December 16, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-195). At the meeting, Council adopted the following resolution:

**THAT CA-2024-195, being a resolution from the City of Toronto regarding Respecting Local Democracy and Cities, be endorsed.**

Sincerely,  
*T. Dafoe*  
Tatiana Dafoe, Clerk

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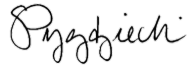
cc: Hon. Prabameet Sarkaria, Ontario Minister of Transportation  
Matthew Rae, Member of Provincial Parliament Perth - Wellington  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
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Ref.: 24-CC23.1**

(Sent by Email)

November 18, 2024

**ALL ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES:****Subject: New Business Item 23.1  
Respecting Local Democracy and Cities (Ward All)**City Council on November 13 and 14, 2024, considered [Item CC23.1](#) and a copy is attached for your information or appropriate action.

for City Clerk

S. Przedziecki/wg

Attachment

c. City Manager

## City Council

### New Business - Meeting 23

CC23.1	ACTION	Amended		Ward: All
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### Respecting Local Democracy and Cities

#### City Council Decision

City Council on November 13 and 14, 2024, adopted the following:

1. City Council express its opposition to the proposed amendments to Part XII of the Highway Traffic Act contained in Bill 212, and any related proposed regulations, both of which contradict the stated purpose of the City of Toronto Act, 2006, to allow the City to determine what is in the public interest of the city.
  
2. City Council request the Province to work collaboratively with cities to address congestion and road safety, and accordingly withdraw the proposed amendments to Part XII of the Highway Traffic Act contained in Bill 212.
  
3. City Council direct the City Solicitor to review Bill 212 and any accompanying regulations, once in force, and to report to City Council with a summary of the legislation and regulations and the potential for commencing litigation to challenge Bill 212 or the regulations.
  
4. City Council request the General Manager, Transportation Services, or designates, to appear before the Ontario Legislature’s Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure, and Cultural Policy as part of public hearings regarding Bill 212 to give testimony in accordance with the position outlined in this item.
  
5. City Council request the City Manager to submit written comments to Ontario’s Regulatory Registry and Environment Registry of Ontario that reflect the City’s positions outlined in this item, including the City's opposition to any requirement of the City to provide support in the removal of City Infrastructure approved by its democratically elected City Council.
  
6. City Council adopt the position that no costs associated with the amendments to Part XII of the Highway Traffic Act should be incurred or paid by the City of Toronto, including staff time, planning, design, construction, and traffic management as a result of the congestion created by the removal.
  
7. City Council forward this item to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Leader of the Official Opposition, all Ontario Members of Provincial Parliament, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Big City Mayors, and all Ontario municipalities and include City Council's commitment to the right of municipalities to govern their own affairs and represent the interests of their residents and electors.

8. City Council request the Ministry of Transportation to permit the publication of the results of the Transportation Tomorrow Survey 2022 as soon as possible to facilitate the use of the study in informing collaborative consultations with cities regarding options for addressing congestion and road safety.

9. City Council direct the City Manager to report back on the feasibility of placing signs on City roads where there are traffic delays resulting from the Provincial mandate to remove bike lanes from Toronto roads and that these signs would read "This road congestion and traffic delay is the result of Premier Ford's Bill 212".

10. City Council direct that Confidential Attachment 1 to the supplementary report (November 13, 2024) from the City Manager remain confidential in its entirety, as it contains information explicitly supplied in confidence to the City of Toronto as a partner municipality in the Transportation Tomorrow Survey 2022, conducted by a consultant retained by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario as part of a cooperative effort by local and provincial government agencies to collect information about urban travel in southern Ontario, until such time as the Transportation Tomorrow Survey 2022 is authorized to be published by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario.

Confidential Attachment 1 to the supplementary report (November 13, 2024) from the City Manager remains confidential in its entirety in accordance with the provisions of the City of Toronto Act, 2006, as it contains information explicitly supplied in confidence to the City of Toronto as a partner municipality in the Transportation Tomorrow Survey 2022, conducted by a consultant retained by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario as part of a cooperative effort by local and provincial government agencies to collect information about urban travel in southern Ontario, until such time as the Transportation Tomorrow Survey 2022 is authorized to be published by the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario.

## Summary

The recent provincial Bill 212 seeks to overturn the decisions and work of our locally elected Toronto City Council. If passed, the Bill means one government would, at tremendous cost to the taxpayer and without collaboration, undo another government's work.

As Mayor, it is my responsibility to stand up for the decision-making authority of City Council and the expertise of our professional public service which supports that decision-making. As such, I am working with City Staff to review the City's options and will provide recommendations on this item prior to the City Council meeting on November 13, 2024.

## Background Information (City Council)

(November 5, 2024) Report from the Mayor on Respecting Local Democracy and Cities (CC23.1)

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-250054.pdf>

(November 13, 2024) Supplementary report and Attachments 2 to 5 from the City Manager on Respecting Local Democracy and Cities - Supplemental Report: Impact of Bill 212 Bike Lanes Framework (CC23.1a)

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/cc/bgrd/backgroundfile-250545.pdf>

Confidential Attachment 1

## Communications (City Council)

(November 7, 2024) E-mail from Matthew Freedlander (CC.Supp)

(November 8, 2024) E-mail from Adam Rodgers (CC.Supp)

(November 7, 2024) E-mail from Derek van Vliet (CC.Supp)

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(November 9, 2024) Letter from Cathie Macdonald, President and Richard Steele, Board member, Deer Park Residents Group (CC.Supp)  
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(November 10, 2024) E-mail from Loudon Young (CC.Supp)  
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(November 10, 2024) Letter from Alison Stewart, Bicycle Mayor of Toronto (CC.Supp)  
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**CORPORATION OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**

**Council Meeting**

**Resolution # 8**

**Date:** October 28, 2024

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**Moved By:** Carma Williams

**Seconded By:** Jamie MacDonald

**WHEREAS** the assessment cycle is an essential process for maintaining the fairness and predictability of property taxes in our province and;

**WHEREAS** the pause in the reassessment cycle has created uncertainty and instability in property taxation, impacting both residential and commercial property owners and;

**WHEREAS** the government has delayed an assessment update again in 2024, resulting in Ontario's municipalities continuing to calculate property taxes using 2016 property values and;

**WHEREAS** both current and outdated assessments are inaccurate, increase volatility, and are not transparent and;

**WHEREAS** frequent and accurate reassessments are necessary to stabilize property taxes and provide predictability for property owners, residents, and businesses alike and;

**WHEREAS** the staff at the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation would benefit from further skills enhancement and training in assessments, recognizing the importance of ensuring accurate evaluations for 100% of our municipality and;

**WHEREAS** the Government has announced a review of the property assessment and taxation system with a focus on fairness, equity, and economic competitiveness, and therefore further deferring new property assessment and;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of North Glengarry hereby calls upon the Premier to promptly resume the assessment cycle to ensure the stability and predictability of property taxes while the Government conducts its review of the property assessment and taxation system, or respond with an alternative method for every municipality in Ontario to achieve fair taxation and;

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**FURTHERMORE, THAT** all Municipalities in Ontario and their constituents are encouraged to apply pressure to the Premier, daily, weekly, and monthly, to resolve the situation before it causes undo stress to everyone in the Municipality and;

**FINALLY RESOLVED THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier Doug Ford, the Association of Municipality in Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association, the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, and all municipalities in Ontario for their consideration, to make proper changes as quickly and efficiently as possible.

**CARRIED**

**DEFEATED**

**DEFERRED**

  
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**MAYOR / DEPUTY MAYOR**

	<b>YEA</b>	<b>NEA</b>
<b>Deputy Mayor:</b> Carma Williams	_____	_____
<b>Councillor:</b> Jacques Massie	_____	_____
<b>Councillor:</b> Brian Caddell	_____	_____
<b>Councillor:</b> Jeff Manley	_____	_____
<b>Councillor:</b> Michael Madden	_____	_____
<b>Councillor:</b> Gary Martin	_____	_____
<b>Mayor:</b> Jamie MacDonald	_____	_____



## The City of Niagara Falls, Ontario

### Resolution

November 12, 2024

#### No. 18 – Strengthening Existing System of Mandatory Mental Health Care

Moved by: Mayor Jim Diodati

Seconded by: Councillor Ruth-Ann Nieuwesteeg

- **Whereas** many Ontario mayors are asking the Province of Ontario to strengthen the existing system of mandatory mental health care and to expand service to treat those with severe and debilitating addictions; and
- **Whereas** risk to public safety is unacceptable; and
- **Whereas** illegal activity and disruptive public behaviours take place openly, including drug use, solicitation, prostitution, human trafficking and have been witnessed by and tolerated by residents as the authorities have no available recourse; and
- **Whereas** discarded, used drug needles, defecating and urinating on public property, setting fires to private and public property, theft and vandalism have become common practice in neighbouring areas; and
- **Whereas** vulnerable people need help to navigate supports with drug addictions, mental health and social support; and
- **Whereas** our community experienced the tragic death of a resident walking his dog in the park in broad daylight last month at the hands of someone who should have received needed treatment; and

- **Whereas** in the month of October alone the City of Niagara Falls received 29 encampment complaints, which, if allowed to remain unchallenged, could cost millions of tax dollars to deal with large scale clean-ups, rather than addressing the concerns in real time to prevent this from happening; and
- **Whereas** in 2023, the City of Niagara Falls invested more than \$500,000 on encampment clean-up and related vandalism costs; and
- **Whereas** this is not a municipal responsibility but as a City we continue to incur significant costs without the correct legislative tools and government support to solve the core issues; and
- **Whereas** the chronically homeless population in the Niagara Region is approximately 647 people, just more than 0.1% of the populus, causing a disproportionate burden on families in our community; and
- **Whereas** every neighbourhood in our community has been affected, many businesses have moved and residents face daily ongoing challenges, seeing no marked improvement in the situation.

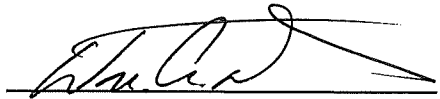
**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

- The City of Niagara Falls join many other Ontario mayors who are asking Premier Doug Ford to use the Constitution’s notwithstanding clause to give authorities and police more power to break up homeless encampments and force more people into mandatory drug and mental health treatment; and
  - To request trespass laws to be written to include jail time for “repetitive trespass” and to empower police to arrest repeat trespassers; and
  - To enact new legislation which would ban open drug use, similar to laws in place on alcohol; and
  - To establish a new court diversion system to redirect offenders toward rehabilitation and more appropriate supports; and
  - To request that the current Provincial Government act as an intervenor in court cases on encampments; and
  - To advocate for the position that courts should not be dictating homelessness policy; and
  - To request the government look at using every legal tool available to the Province to clear encampments and restore dignity and safety to public spaces; and
  - To ask for investment in 24-hour crisis centers to relieve pressures on emergency rooms and first responders; and

- To consolidate appropriate funding with the Federal Government for the unhoused community where gaps exist; and
  - To establish a ministry and minister with appropriate funding and power as a single point of contact; and
  - To create open lines of communication between responsible and relevant Federal ministries, Provincial areas of responsibility and municipalities.
- That this be circulated to local area municipalities, Members of Parliament and Members of Provincial Parliament in Niagara, the Premier of Ontario and appropriate ministries and the Prime Minister.

**.AND The Seal of the Corporation to hereto affixed.**

**Carried**



**WILLIAM G.MATSON  
CITY CLERK**



**JAMES M.DIODATI  
MAYOR**



# Northumberland County Council Resolution

**SENT VIA EMAIL**

**November 28, 2024**

Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario)  
Honourable Sylvia Jones (Deputy Premier and Minister of Health)  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
All Ontario Municipalities

**Re: Correspondence, 'Support for Family Physicians'**

At a meeting held on November 20, 2024 Northumberland County Council approved Council Resolution # 2024-11-20-828, adopting the below recommendation from the November 5, 2024 Community Health Committee meeting:

**Moved by:** Deputy Warden Olena Hankivsky  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Scott Jibb

"**That** the Corporate Support Committee having considered the correspondence from the City of Stratford regarding 'Support for Family Physicians' recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario), the Honourable Sylvia Jones (Deputy Premier and Minister of Health), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario Municipalities."

**Council Resolution # 2024-11-20-828**

**Carried**

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at [matherm@northumberland.ca](mailto:matherm@northumberland.ca) or by telephone at 905-372-3329 ext. 2238.

Sincerely,  
Maddison Mather



Manager of Legislative Services / Clerk  
Northumberland County

# Council Resolution

Moved By O. Hutchings  
 Seconded By S. Sibb

Agenda Item 10 Resolution Number 2024-11-20- 828

Council Date: November 20, 2024

"That Council adopt all recommendations from the five Standing Committees, as contained within the Committee Minutes (meetings held November 4, 5 and 6, 2024), with the exception of the following items (referenced from the Standing Committee Minutes), that will be held for discussion:

Committee Name	Item #	Description	Held By
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Finance & Audit Committee,	Item 5.a	'Delegation 'Art Gallery of Northumberland' – held by Warden Ostrander	
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And Further That the items listed above and held for separate discussion each require a separate resolution."

Recorded Vote Requested by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Councillor's Name

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature

Carried [Signature]  
 Warden's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
 Warden's Signature

## Community Health Committee Resolution

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Committee Meeting Date: November 5, 2024

Agenda Item: 7.a

Resolution Number: 2024-11-05- 710

Moved by: B. Ostrander

Seconded by: O. Hankivsky

Council Meeting Date: November 20, 2024

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"That the Corporate Support Committee having considered the correspondence from the City of Stratford regarding 'Support for Family Physicians' recommend that County Council support the correspondence and direct staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford (Premier of Ontario), the Honourable Sylvia Jones (Deputy Premier and Minister of Health), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all Ontario Municipalities."

Carried   
Committee Chair's Signature

Defeated \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature

Deferred \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee Chair's Signature





**City of Stratford, Corporate Services Department**

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September 13, 2024

Sent via email – councilmeeting@toronto.ca

John D. Elvidge,  
City Clerk  
City of Toronto

**Re: Resolution Regarding Requesting the Province to Support Family Physicians**

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated July 31, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their information as part of the September 9, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-140). Council adopted the following resolution:

**THAT CA-2024-140, being a resolution from The City of Toronto regarding Provincial Support for Family Physicians, be endorsed.**

Sincerely,

*T. Dafoe*

Tatiana Dafoe Clerk

/mf

cc: Hon. Mark Holland, Minister of Health  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
All Ontario municipalities

## City Council

### Member Motions - Meeting 19

MM19.5	ACTION	Adopted		Ward: All
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### Requesting the Province to Support Family Physicians - by Councillor Dianne Saxe, seconded by Councillor Mike Colle

#### City Council Decision

City Council on June 26 and 27, 2024, adopted the following:

1. City Council request the Minister of Health to take immediate action to:
  - a. properly compensate family physicians with appropriate fee increases; and
  - b. reduce the administrative burden that the Province places on family doctors so they have more time to see their patients.
2. City Council forward City Council’s decision to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Health, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and the municipal Clerks of Ontario's municipalities.
3. City Council request a direct response from the Minister of Health within 30 days.

#### Summary

On May 13, 2024, the City of Belleville set a good example by passing a resolution calling upon the provincial government to improve compensation and reduce administrative burden for Ontario’s family physicians. Toronto should do the same.

The Province of Ontario is responsible for providing quality health care to all residents of Ontario. Family medicine is the backbone of the healthcare system and providing timely access to a primary health care provider for everyone in Ontario, is essential and should be a top Provincial Government priority. Instead, the shortage of family physicians has reached a crisis point.

Millions of Ontario residents, and hundreds of thousands of Torontonians, do not have a family doctor. Studies show that patients without a primary care provider have poorer health outcomes while costing the health care system more. Meanwhile, hospitals, emergency rooms and clinics are overloaded by residents’ unmet health care needs.

The Province of Ontario could address this issue quickly and efficiently by paying fair wages to family physicians and by lessening the undue administrative burden this provincial government imposes on family doctors.

#### Background Information (City Council)

Member Motion MM19.5

(<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-246768.pdf>)



December 12, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
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**SENT BY EMAIL ONLY**

**Re. 11.6 CLK-C 24-2024 – Support for the Motion on Sustainable Municipal Funding from the Town of Aurora**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Thorold, at its meeting held on December 10, 2024, considered the aforementioned topic and the following resolution was passed:

That Correspondence Item CWCD 476-2024, respecting correspondence from the Town of Aurora's Mayor Mrakas, dated November 20, 2024, regarding Support for the Motion on Sustainable Municipal Funding, **BE RECEIVED** for information; and

That the Council of the City of Thorold **SUPPORTS** the correspondence from the Town of Aurora respecting sustainable municipal funding; and

That this resolution **BE CIRCULATED** to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Office of Member of Provincial Parliament, Jeff Burch, the Office of Member of Parliament for Niagara Centre, Vance Badawey, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Regional Municipality of Niagara, lower-tier municipalities within the Region of Niagara, the Town of Aurora, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Thank you,

Nicholas Debono  
City Clerk, City of Thorold

cc. Premier Doug Ford  
Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Finance Minister  
Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Jeff Burch, Member of Provincial Parliament, Niagara Centre  
Vance Badawey, Member of Parliament, Niagara Centre  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)  
Niagara Region  
Local Area Municipalities  
Town of Aurora  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)



Dear Elected Official,

I'm reaching out to follow up on my earlier message regarding the motion calling for the redistribution of a portion of the Land Transfer Tax by the province and a share of the GST on new home sales by the federal government. This initiative is vital to securing sustainable and predictable funding for our municipalities, ensuring we can meet the growing infrastructure demands in our communities without increasing property taxes.

For those who have already introduced and passed this motion at your councils—thank you for your leadership and support! Your efforts are helping us send a strong and united message to the province and federal government.

For those who have not yet had the chance to introduce this motion, I encourage you to bring it forward for consideration by your council. Standing together on this issue is crucial to achieving the financial future our municipalities need and deserve.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you'd like to discuss this further or need any additional information. Together, we can make a meaningful difference for our communities.

Thank you again for your time and support.

Regards,

Tom Mrakas  
Mayor Town of Aurora  
416-543-1624





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Town of Aurora

## Member Motion

Mayor's Office

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**Re:** Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

**To:** Members of Council

**From:** Mayor Tom Mrakas

**Date:** November 5, 2024

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Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. Be It Further Resolved That Aurora Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.





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December 13, 2024

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RE: TAPMO Letter regarding Pre Budget Announcement

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on November 27, 2024 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

**Resolution No. 2024-430:**

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and  
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

**That the Consent Agenda items listed with the exception of items 6.10, 6.11, and 6.12 for NOVEMBER 27, 2024 Council meeting be received for information; and**

**Whereas the Township of Puslinch Council supports the information provided by TAPMO to member municipalities of TAPMO; and**

**Whereas the Township of Puslinch Council sees the value and significance of circulating this information provided by TAPMO to all Ontario municipalities;**



**Therefore, that Council directs staff to forward items 6.10, 6.11, and 6.12 to all Ontario municipalities; and**

**That Council direct staff to forward the following resolution to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local school board trustees, AMO, ROMA, Local MPP, all Ontario Municipalities and the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation:**

**Whereas the Ministry of Finance has introduced a one-time \$7 million reduction in education taxes in 2024, a subsidy that will be absorbed by the province through a 95% reduction in education taxes—marking the first such subsidy provided by the province to any industry;**

**Whereas the Ministry of Finance’s plans to introduce a new aggregate property sub-class in 2025, which is set to provide a \$6 million subsidy to the aggregate industry, with \$3 million of that subsidy being transferred back to the municipal (primarily residential) tax base, raises serious concerns about the fairness and equity of the system;**

**Whereas the claims that the new sub-class will provide tax stability and predictability seem hollow and do not address the systemic inequities in the taxation framework, which continues to shift an undue burden onto municipal taxpayers, particularly those in rural areas who host these aggregate operations;**

**Whereas there is significant concern that the government’s actions prioritize the interests of the aggregate industry over the financial realities faced by municipalities and their residents, and that this shift in burden undermines public trust in the fairness and integrity of Ontario’s legal and tax frameworks;**

**Whereas TAPMO has presented evidence demonstrating that the aggregate industry is financially capable of meeting its tax obligations, including substantial profits and royalty payments made by industry leaders, further undermining the need for these subsidies;**

**Whereas the municipal taxpayer should not bear the cost of correcting a past error in assessment methodology that unfairly benefited then aggregate industry, and the new**



**property tax class ratio risks further undermining the principle of revenue neutrality and eroding confidence in Ontario's legal and tax systems;**

**Therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Puslinch strongly objects to the undue burden being placed on municipal taxpayers to subsidize the aggregate industry, and calls on the provincial government to:**

**Reevaluate and correct the misguided subsidies being provided to the aggregate sector, and ensure that future tax policies are fair, equitable, and consistent for all taxpayers.**

**1. Uphold the principles of revenue neutrality in the aggregate tax framework and ensure that any new tax classifications or methodologies do not result in a net loss of revenue for municipalities, especially those that are already facing significant financial challenges.**

**2. Commit to meaningful reform that ensures fairness and consistency across all sectors of the economy, and actively engages municipalities and taxpayers in a transparent and inclusive process, rather than catering to the demands of the aggregate industry.**

**3. Take immediate action to correct the existing inequities in the tax framework, ensuring that the burden of this correction is not unjustly shifted to municipal taxpayers, particularly those in rural communities who host these operations.**

**4. Respect and uphold the integrity of the legal process by honouring the decisions of the Divisional Court and ensuring that all assessment methodologies are transparent, accountable, and based on a fair and balanced approach.**

**5. Further be it resolved that the Council Township of Puslinch supports TAPMO's call for the provincial government to adopt reforms that prioritize the needs and fairness of municipal taxpayers and to ensure that the aggregate sector contributes its fair share to the province's tax base; and**

**Further be it resolved that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local school board trustees, AMO, ROMA,**



**Local MPP, all Ontario Municipalities and the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation.**

**CARRIED**

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston  
Municipal Clerk

CC: All Ontario Municipalities, Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), Local school board trustees



November 1, 2024

Premier Doug Ford  
Legislative Building  
Quenn's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Minister of Finance Peter Bethlenfalvy  
Ministry of Finance  
Frost Building South, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
7 Queen's Park Crescent  
Toronto, ON M7A 1Y7

Dear Premier Ford and Minister Bethlenfalvy:

**Re: Pre Budget Announcement**

As you are aware there was a lengthy Assessment Review Board hearing as well as a divisional court ruling increasing the taxes paid by the aggregate sector due to an inappropriate tax relief mechanism implemented by MPAC.

TAPMO recognizes funding for rural, small and northern municipalities is proposed to see an increase in OMPF funding. This increase is very much appreciated. This increase will begin to address the farm tax rebate shortfalls that rural, small and northern municipalities have been experiencing under the former program. Increasing this funding ensures all Ontarians are supporting farmers and not just the residents that call home to small, rural and northern communities. The impact of Provincially significant programs needs to be absorbed by all Ontarians.

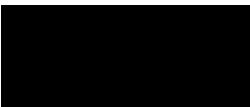
If it is the desire of the Government to provide special treatment to one sector and burdening this special treatment on small, rural and northern communities ( where most aggregate operations exist), TAPMO is of the opinion that an aggregate subsidy is not appropriate and should be borne by all Ontarians.

The pre budget announcement provides \$200 to every Ontarian, adding approximately \$3 billion to the Ontario budget. If the Government is willing to add \$3 billion to the deficit. Carrying over the 95% reduction in education tax relief absorbed by all Ontarians for 2024, would have added \$7 million to the total deficit for 2025 or 0.11666667% additional deficit.

TAPMO request the following questioned to be answered:

Explain the justification of increasing taxes on small, rural and northern municipalities which are host to most aggregate operations, to provide a preferential tax relief to the aggregate sector, versus absorbing any relief through increased deficit for all Ontarians?

Yours truly,



James Seeley  
Board Chair

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October 31, 2024

His Worship James Seeley  
Chair, Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario (TAPMO)  
[jseeley@puslinch.ca](mailto:jseeley@puslinch.ca)

Don MacLeod  
Executive Director, TAPMO  
[executivedirector@tapmo.ca](mailto:executivedirector@tapmo.ca)

Dear Mayor Seeley and Mr. MacLeod:

Thank you for your letter about the new aggregate extraction property class.

As noted in my letter of October 3, the Province will be setting municipal tax ratios and education tax rates for the new aggregate extraction property class to provide tax mitigation for properties in the class. The plan is to provide an overall \$6M tax reduction to properties in the class relative to the original 2024 tax level, comprised of \$3M municipal tax and \$3M education tax. While the specific tax ratios and impacts will not be available until after the assessments for 2025 are finalized by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC), the intention is that municipalities overall will still benefit from the majority of the incremental tax revenues that resulted from the assessment methodology changes implemented by MPAC for 2024.

More details will be shared when they become available. We appreciate the importance of providing municipalities with as much time as possible to support their budgetary planning. We have taken note of your request to receive this information by November 30<sup>th</sup> and will endeavour to provide the data as close to this date as possible.

Regarding your request that TAPMO be included in consultations during 2025, that is an important part of our plan. We will be reaching out to TAPMO as well as the aggregate sector, and working with MPAC and the Ministry of Natural Resources, to seek more detailed information regarding aggregate activities and discuss possible updates to the definition of the property class.

The government understands the challenges small and rural municipalities face. In this regard, in the 2024 Fall Economic Statement announced the Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund will be increased by \$100 million (20% increase) annually. This will be phased in over two years with an immediate \$50 million increase in 2025.

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# TAPMO

## November Newsletter



### INTRODUCING TAPMO'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Don MacLeod held the position of Chief Administrative Officer for the Township of Zorra from 1996 to 2024. The Township of Zorra is in the top 10 aggregate producing municipalities in Ontario. Recently, Don transitioned into the role of Executive Director for TAPMO. With this wealth of experience, Don is particularly well-suited to continue the success of TAPMO in developing a sustainable plan for aggregate extraction across Ontario.

### NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

- **Introducing Don MacLeod, TAPMO Executive Director**
- **Aggregate Property Taxation Assessment Challenges: What to expect in 2025**
- **Meet the Board of Directors and membership!**

### STAY CONNECTED

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Visit the TAPMO website to review agendas and minutes from previous meetings:

<https://www.tapmo.ca/resources#agenda>

Next TAPMO meeting: Monday November 18, 2024 @ 2:30pm



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executivedirector@tapmo.ca



### **Property Taxation Changes and Concerns for Municipalities**

Following an appeal decision of the Divisional Court, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) revised the assessment methodology and property tax classification of aggregate sites to ensure sector-wide consistency, resulting in tax changes for pits and quarries across the province for 2024 (an increase of \$12M municipal and \$5M education). These properties continue to be assessed based on the province-wide valuation date of January 1, 2016, but the methodology used to derive those values has been modified in line with the court ruling. This legal process was spearheaded by Wellington County. In a troubling response to the Divisional Court decision, the Ministry of Finance has introduced a one-time (2024) \$7 million education tax reduction, to mitigate the impact of these changes on the aggregate industry. This reduction will be absorbed by the province through a 95% reduction in education taxes, which is the first time this kind of a subsidy is being provided by the province for any industry.

Looking ahead to the 2025 tax year, a new aggregate property sub-class is set to be introduced, but the intent to create improved tax stability and predictability feels hollow. The sub-class will result in a \$6 million subsidy for the aggregate industry, \$3 million of which is being transferred back to the municipal (primarily residential) tax base. The tax subsidy will be funneled through a temporary property tax sub-class within the industrial property category, with MPAC and local municipalities tasked with its implementation. However, the claim that this newly established sub-class will provide stability and predictability raises serious concerns. Instead of genuinely addressing the inequities in the system, it seems to merely provide an unwarranted tax break to the aggregate industry, while shifting the burden onto municipal taxpayers and perpetuating an unjust structure.

The government's approach appears to prioritize the interests of the aggregate sector over the financial realities faced by municipalities and their constituents. MPAC's collaboration with the aggregate sector and the Ministry of Finance (MOF) to gather detailed information on aggregate sites may result in more of the same, rather than meaningful reform. While the government claims this refined data will support future discussions with the Ontario Stone, Sand & Gravel Association (OSSGA) and municipalities, the focus seems skewed toward accommodating industry demands rather than ensuring fairness and accountability for all taxpayers. This direction threatens to undermine any hope of establishing a principled and sustainable approach to aggregate taxation, leaving communities to bear the consequences.



### Property Taxation Changes and Concerns for Municipalities

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In light of these changes, TAPMO wishes to voice serious concerns regarding the new tax class ratio established by the Ministry of Finance. Contrary to fostering a revenue-neutral outcome, this adjustment is expected to lead to \$3 million being refunded directly from local taxpayers to the aggregate industry starting in 2025 and beyond. Neither the Ministry nor representatives from the aggregate industry have provided sufficient justification for what seems to be a residential taxpayer-funded subsidy to benefit a for-profit industry. Concerns from both the Ministry of Finance and the aggregate sector highlight that potential cost increases for residential housing stemming from the Assessment Review Board (ARB) ruling have not been adequately assessed or documented. Claims suggesting a mere \$3-4 increase per Ontarian fail to capture the disproportionate impact this assessment framework will have on rural residents, who predominantly host these aggregate operations.

The OSSGA has yet to provide conclusive evidence of the industry's inability to contribute its fair share of taxes. In fact, TAPMO has presented evidence indicating that aggregate producers can meet their tax obligations. For example, Dufferin (CRH) paid \$2 million in royalties to the University of Guelph in 2023, while St. Mary's Cement (CBM Canada) reported total net revenues of \$109,785,000 USD for aggregate products in their 2022 financial statements.

While TAPMO recognizes that tax increases on any property class may be unpopular, we argue that the aggregate industry has long benefited from an inappropriate tax discount. The Divisional Court ruling clarified that MPAC lacked the authority to grant such tax relief. The municipal taxpayers should not have to provide tax relief to the industry as a result of correcting an inappropriate tax benefit that the industry has come to expect. The new property tax class ratio fails to maintain revenue neutrality and threatens to erode trust in Ontario's legal frameworks. Ontarians deserve confidence that these processes are respected and upheld.

TAPMO remains committed to advocating for fair and equitable taxation practices that support both municipal taxpayers and the sustainability of our communities. The future of Ontario's aggregate taxation framework must prioritize transparency, fairness, and the principles of revenue neutrality.

### Property Taxation Changes and Concerns for Municipalities - What's Next?

TAPMO is urging members to raise awareness of this issue by requesting your Municipal Council consider supporting the following motion:

Whereas the Ministry of Finance has introduced a one-time \$7 million reduction in education taxes in 2024, a subsidy that will be absorbed by the province through a 95% reduction in education taxes—marking the first such subsidy provided by the province to any industry;

Whereas the Ministry of Finance's plans to introduce a new aggregate property sub-class in 2025, which is set to provide a \$6 million subsidy to the aggregate industry, with \$3 million of that subsidy being transferred back to the municipal (primarily residential) tax base, raises serious concerns about the fairness and equity of the system;

Whereas the claims that the new sub-class will provide tax stability and predictability seem hollow and do not address the systemic inequities in the taxation framework, which continues to shift an undue burden onto municipal taxpayers, particularly those in rural areas who host these aggregate operations;

Whereas there is significant concern that the government's actions prioritize the interests of the aggregate industry over the financial realities faced by municipalities and their residents, and that this shift in burden undermines public trust in the fairness and integrity of Ontario's legal and tax frameworks;

Whereas TAPMO has presented evidence demonstrating that the aggregate industry is financially capable of meeting its tax obligations, including substantial profits and royalty payments made by industry leaders, further undermining the need for these subsidies;

Whereas the municipal taxpayer should not bear the cost of correcting a past error in assessment methodology that unfairly benefited the aggregate industry, and the new property tax class ratio risks further undermining the principle of revenue neutrality and eroding confidence in Ontario's legal and tax systems;

Therefore be it resolved that the Council [INSERT MUNICIPALITY] strongly objects to the undue burden being placed on municipal taxpayers to subsidize the aggregate industry, and calls on the provincial government to:

1. Reevaluate and correct the misguided subsidies being provided to the aggregate sector, and ensure that future tax policies are fair, equitable, and consistent for all taxpayers.
2. Uphold the principles of revenue neutrality in the aggregate tax framework and ensure that any new tax classifications or methodologies do not result in a net loss of revenue for municipalities, especially those that are already facing significant financial challenges.
3. Commit to meaningful reform that ensures fairness and consistency across all sectors of the economy, and actively engages municipalities and taxpayers in a transparent and inclusive process, rather than catering to the demands of the aggregate industry.
4. Take immediate action to correct the existing inequities in the tax framework, ensuring that the burden of this correction is not unjustly shifted to municipal taxpayers, particularly those in rural communities who host these operations.
5. Respect and uphold the integrity of the legal process by honouring the decisions of the Divisional Court and ensuring that all assessment methodologies are transparent, accountable, and based on a fair and balanced approach.

Further be it resolved that the Council [INSERT MUNICIPALITY] supports TAPMO's call for the provincial government to adopt reforms that prioritize the needs and fairness of municipal taxpayers and to ensure that the aggregate sector contributes its fair share to the province's tax base; and

Further be it resolved that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local school boards, AMO, ROMA, Local MPP, all Ontario Municipalities and the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation.



**Chair**  
**Mayor James Seeley**  
 Township of Puslinch



**Vice-Chair**  
**Mayor Jennifer Coughlin**  
 Township of Springwater

## Board of Directors



**Mayor Dave Barton**  
 Township of Uxbridge



**Mayor Jim Hegadorn**  
 Loyalist Township



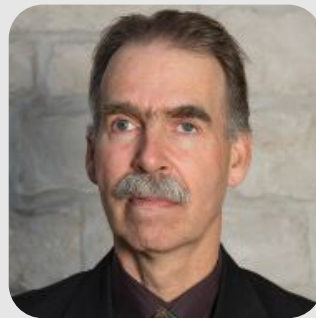
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 Town of Lincoln



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 Municipality of West Grey



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 Township of Oro-Medonte



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 County of Wellington



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October 24, 2024

Sent via email

Minister of Finance Peter Bethlenfalvy  
Ministry of Finance  
Frost Building South, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
7 Queen's Park Crescent  
Toronto, ON M7A 1Y7

Dear Minister Bethlenfalvy:

**Re: Aggregate Assessment**

I am writing to raise TAPMO's concerns with the new tax class ratio for aggregate operations that does not maintain a revenue neutral outcome. TAPMO has been informed that the new tax class ratio will result in \$3 million of assessment being refunded to the aggregate industry for 2025 and beyond.

To date, neither the Ministry nor the aggregate industry has provided any justification for this residential taxpayer funded subsidy. The concerns raised by the MOF and the aggregate industry indicate that the potential cost increase for residential housing resulting from the ARB ruling applied across the province has not been thoroughly assessed or documented. Impacts of \$3-4 dollars per Ontarian are not accurate. Most aggregate operations are located in rural municipalities, thus rural residents will be providing this relief on a disproportionate level.

I would draw your attention to the developments in the Town of Erin. Developers are largely paying nearly \$200 million in up-front cost to build a wastewater treatment facility. This cost will be a direct pass through to the cost of the homes serviced by the treatment plant. In comparison, a revenue neutral tax class would be adding less than a quarter dollar to the cost of per tonne of aggregate.

Generally speaking, in Ontario, the provincial framework we strive to achieve is known at the municipal level as "Growth pays for Growth". Taxing aggregate properly brings us as a society closer to achieving that result. The aggregate tax class ratio does not support the revenue neutral tax outcome, nor does it support the principle of "Growth pays for Growth".

The OSSGA has failed to bring definitive evidence of the industry's inability to pay their fair share of taxes. Quite contrary, TAPMO has provided evidence of the ability of producers to pay their fair share. We are referencing the royalties Dufferin paid the University of Guelph (\$2 million in 2023). Further to the point, St. Mary's Cement's (CBM Canada) audited 2022 Financial Statements indicate a total net revenue for aggregate products at a whopping \$109,785,000 USD.

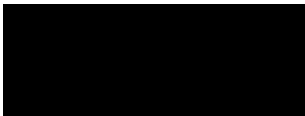
TAPMO recognizes that any increase of taxes on any property class would likely not be welcome. Unfortunately, as recorded in the Divisional Court decision, MPAC did not have the legislative authority to be providing tax relief (page 12 note 55 of the decision) that the industry experienced from 2016 onward. The aggregate industry is accustomed to an inappropriate tax discount. In TAPMO's view, residential taxpayers should not have to provide tax relief to the industry as a result of correcting an inappropriate tax benefit that the industry had come to expect. We respectfully reassert our position that OSSGA has not brought forward evidence to support their claim, other than highlighting the displeasure of paying more taxes. We have also not received evidence from the MOF supporting this relief for 2025 and beyond.

Lastly, we are deeply concerned that the lengthy and expensive legal process undertaken by Wellington County, and the decisions ordered by both the Assessment Review Board and Divisional Court is being undermined. This is particularly concerning given that the ARB decision was upheld. The new property tax class ratio fails to maintain a revenue-neutral tax assessment and undermines the legal process, which incurred significant costs for Wellington County taxpayers. This is extremely disturbing; Ontarians must have confidence in the legal processes in Ontario. Undermining the ARB assessment through a property tax class ratio that does not preserve revenue neutrality erodes that trust.

It is essential that discussions be inclusive and that any future assessment changes involve a fair and balanced approach in consultation with municipal partners, not just the aggregate sector.

TAPMO thanks the Ministry for the opportunity to comment on this very important issue and we look forward to strengthening this relationship.

Yours truly,

A solid black rectangular box used to redact the signature of James Seeley.

James Seeley  
Board Chair

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

HELD  
December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**2024-265**

**Moved by Deputy Mayor Rooyackers  
Seconded by Councillor Kelly**

WHEREAS Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of East Ferris received a resolution from the Township of Nairn and Hyman, and the Township of Baldwin who formally oppose the transportation and deposition of naturally occurring radioactive materials from the former Beaucage Mine and Waste Site, Nipissing First Nations lands, and adjacent lands operated by the Ministry of Transportation to the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area;

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris supports the Township of Nairn and Hyman, and the Township of Baldwin's resolution in that they should have been consulted on this matter prior to the movement of materials;

AND FURTHER THAT Council for the Municipality of East Ferris respectfully requests that the Province of Ontario, the Ministry of Mines, the Ministry of Transportation, the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission provide answers to the Township of Nairn and Hyman, and the Township of Baldwin's questions and that those municipalities receive notification of all forward movements of this project;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable George Pirie, the Minister of Mines; the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, the Minister of Transportation; the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; Chief Toulouse and Sagamok Anishnawbek Council Members; Chief Nootchtai and Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Council Members; Chief Rodney Nahwegahbow and the Whitefish River First Nation Council Members; Chief Patsy Corbiere and the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Council Members; the United Chiefs and Council of Mnidoo Mnising; Ontario Ombudsman; the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; the Canadian Environmental Law Association; MP Anthony Rota; MPP Vic Fedeli, and the Association of Ontario Municipalities, all Ontario municipalities, and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks for their consultation.

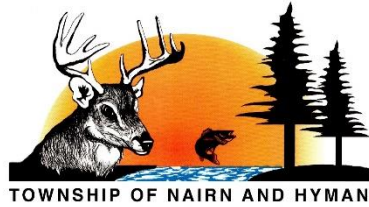
**Carried Mayor Rochefort**



**East Ferris**  
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CERTIFIED to be a true copy of  
Resolution No. 2024-265 passed by the  
Council of the Municipality of East Ferris  
on the 10th day of December, 2024.

Kari Hanselman, Dipl. M.A.  
Clerk



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October 11, 2024

Sent via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office, Room 281  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

**RE: Opposition to the Transportation and Deposition of Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM) and Mine Tailings from the Former Beaucage Mine and Waste Site**

On behalf of the Councils of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin, we are formally submitting the attached joint resolution regarding our serious concerns over the proposed transportation and deposition of radioactive naturally occurring materials (NORM) to the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area (ALTMA).

Our Councils recently convened a Joint Emergency Meeting on October 2, 2024, to discuss this matter in response to information presented at a Town Hall Meeting on September 11, 2024, by the Ministry of Mines, the Ministry of Transportation, and the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission. During our deliberations, it became evident that the materials slated for transport are not correctly categorized as NORM, but rather as mine tailings containing not only radioactive substances like niobium and uranium but also other hazardous heavy metals.

We are gravely concerned about the potential environmental and health impacts this project may have, particularly on Agnew Lake—a critical drinking water source for our communities. Our position is that ALTMA should be remediated using clean materials to mitigate existing contamination rather than accepting additional hazardous materials that could exacerbate environmental harm.

This joint resolution calls upon your government and relevant ministries to halt any further actions related to the transportation of this hazardous product to the ALTMA site. The resolution reads as follows:

**RESOLUTION # 2024-EM2-12**

**DATED:** October 2, 2024

**MOVED BY:** Vern Gorham

**SECONDED BY:** Jason Cote

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin convened a Joint Emergency Meeting on Wednesday, October 2, 2024 to discuss the proposed plan to transport and deposit radioactive naturally occurring materials (NORM) at the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area (ALTMA); and

**WHEREAS** the Councils reviewed information received from the Ministry of Mines, the Ministry of Transportation and the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission regarding this proposed plan at the Town Hall Meeting dated September 11, 2024; and



**WHEREAS** the Councils strongly agree that the materials that are planned to be deposited are not correctly defined as naturally occurring radioactive materials but rather mine tailings that contain not only the radioactive substance Niobium and uranium but also contain heavy metals that pose significant environmental and health risks; and

**WHEREAS** there are significant concerns regarding the potential contamination of drinking water sources, particularly Agnew Lake, which many residents rely on for safe drinking water; and

**WHEREAS** the Councils agree that the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area (ALTMA) needs to be remediated using clean materials to mitigate the existing environmental impacts, rather than being used for the deposition of additional hazardous materials; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin formally oppose the transportation and deposition of these materials from the former Beaucage Mine and Waste Site, Nipissing First Nations lands and adjacent lands operated by the Ministry of Transportation to the Agnew Lake Tailings Management Area; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Nairn and Hyman and the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Baldwin respectfully demand that the Province of Ontario, the Ministry of Mines, the Ministry of Transportation, the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission provide answers to our questions and that the municipalities receive notification of all forward movements of this project; and

**THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable George Pirie, the Minister of Mines; the Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, the Minister of Transportation; the Honourable Andrea Khanjin, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; Chief Toulouse and Sagamok Anishnawbek Council Members; Chief Nootchtai and Atikameksheng Anishnawbek Council Members; Chief Rodney Nahwegahbow and the Whitefish River First Nation Council Members; Chief Patsy Corbiere and the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Council Members; the United Chiefs and Council of Mnidoo Mnising; Ontario Ombudsman; the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; the Canadian Environmental Law Association; MP Carol Hughes; MPP Michael Mantha; the Association of Ontario Municipalities and all Ontario Municipalities.

**CARRIED**

We respectfully request your immediate attention to this matter and urge the Province of Ontario to prioritize the protection of our community's health, safety, and environmental integrity.

For more information regarding this matter, please contact our municipal office by email at [belindaketchabaw@nairncentre.ca](mailto:belindaketchabaw@nairncentre.ca) or by phone at (705) 869-4232.

Yours truly,



Belinda Ketchabaw  
CAO Clerk Treasurer  
Township of Nairn and Hyman

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Cc:

Honourable George Pirie, the Minister of Mines  
Honourable Prabmeet Sarkaria, the Minister of Transportation  
Honourable Andrea Khanjin, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks  
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