

Town of Newmarket Council Information Package

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March 31, 2021

Hon. Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1 premier@ontario.ca

Honourable Premier Ford,

RE: TOWNSHIP OF KING RESOLUTION

GTA WEST HIGHWAY AND TRANSMISSION CORRIDOR

At its Council meeting of March 29, 2021, Council of the Township of King received and unanimously supported a Resolution with respect to the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) West Highway and Transmission Corridor as follows:

RE: RESOLUTION, GTA WEST HIGHWAY AND TRANSMISSION CORRIDOR

"WHEREAS Ontario farming and food processing together employ one million persons and generate \$35 billion annually, the Golden Horseshoe being the third largest agricultural producer in North America after California and Chicago; and

WHEREAS there has been no Agricultural Impact Assessment by the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs even though the proposed route will raze just over 800 hectares of farmland of which some will immediately cease to be farmed and other lands, over time, will transition to lands zoned for development; and

WHEREAS the proposed GTA West Corridor will cut across 85 waterways, and destroy protected Greenbelt land including 7 entire woodlots and fragmented valley lands; and

WHEREAS the Greenbelt Plan's permission for new infrastructure which negatively impacts key natural heritage features, key hydrologic features or key hydrologic areas requires determination that there is "no reasonable alternative" and this has not been established; and

WHEREAS several reasonable alternatives have been identified including congestion pricing on other highways, shifting truck traffic to the under-utilized Highway 407; and

WHEREAS on July 8, 2019 the Township of King declared a Climate Change Emergency; and

WHEREAS responding to the climate emergency requires immediate reevaluation of all transportation plans as greenhouse gas emissions (GHG's) from transportation is the highest single source of emissions and the project involves destruction of woodlots which are important carbon absorbers and help clean the air; and

WHEREAS in addition to alternatives identified already there is another one which will also decrease GHG, namely increasing public transit, including the necessary local public transit, to enable broad access to the higher order transit of high-speed commuter trains; and

WHEREAS the Township of King has consistently expressed concern about the impact of a new highway on its communities and specifically, in August 2015, expressed support for protecting a corridor to address long term inter-regional transportation problems with the provision that the route should be in the southern portion of the study area to minimize the impact on our communities; and

WHEREAS the preferred route for the GTA West highway will increase traffic in the Township of King as two of the interchanges on the proposed highway are for arterial roads in King, namely Highway 27 and Weston Road, and those interchanges will be minutes from the Village of Nobleton and the Hamlet of Laskay, respectively; and

WHEREAS the TRCA - which is the regulatory authority for developments in flood plains, wetlands and valley lands - has also raised concerns about the potential impact of the proposed GTA West highway as well as the streamlined Environmental Assessment process; and

WHEREAS the 3 year EA undertaken by the previous provincial government was shelved because of strong objection to the GTA Corridor by experts in the fields of rural development, renewable cities, agriculture, environment and efficient transportation who sounded alarms over predicted irreversible ecological harm caused by the uncontrolled, low density urban sprawl enabled by the Corridor; and

WHEREAS a significant number of reputable organizations have demanded the cancellation of the project, including: Environmental Defence, the David Suzuki Foundation, the Federation of Urban Neighbourhoods, Gravelwatch, Halton Environmental Network, National Farmers' Union-Ontario, Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition, Sustainable Vaughan, Concerned Citizens of King Township (CCKT), Transport Action Ontario, the Wilderness Committee and Sustainable Mississauga; as well as formal opposition of Councils from the municipalities of Halton Hills, Orangeville, Vaughan, Mississauga and City of Toronto;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Council of the Township of King withdraws its previously expressed support for the GTA West Highway and Transmission Corridor as it is currently defined, or, if it is ever proposed to shift the Corridor north into the Township of King.
- 2. The Council of the Township of King strongly opposes any and all advanced construction associated with preparations for a GTA West Highway and Transmission Corridor.

- 3. The Council of the Township of King fully supports the Environmental Defence request for a Federal Environmental Assessment pursuant to s.9(1) of the Impact Assessment Act (I.A.A.), prior to any advancement of this project.
- 4. **AND FURTHER THAT** this Resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Hon. Stephen Lecce, MPP King-Vaughan, Hon. Caroline Mulroney, MPP York-Simcoe, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, and all Municipalities of the Region of York as well as those Regional Municipalities through which the proposed GTA West Highway will travel."

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Yours truly,

Kathryn Moyle

Director of Corporate Services

Township Clerk

cc. Hon Caroline Mulroney, Minister, Ministry of Transportation minister.mto@ontario.ca
and MPP, York-Simcoe caroline.mulroneyca@pc.ola.org
Hon. Jeff Yurek, Minister, Minister of the Environment Conservation & Parks

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March 31, 2021 Sent via E-Mail: doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier Premier's Office, Room 281 Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

RE: ONTARIO FIRE COLLEGE CLOSURE

I am writing to advise that at the Town Council meeting held on March 30, 2021, Council adopted a resolution to support the request made by the Township Augusta for the Province of Ontario to reverse their decision to close the Ontario Fire College.

The resolution reads as follows:

That the Province be requested to consider recognizing the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs (OAFC) as the principle stakeholder to guide, direct, develop and deliver the long-term 'Modernization of Fire Services Training in Ontario';

That staff be directed to explore the opportunity for the Town of Caledon to become a Regional Training Centre to be able to deliver fire services training that is accessible, affordable and attainable; and

That a copy of this motion be provided to The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General and MPP, Dufferin-Caledon, the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs (OAFC), and municipalities in Ontario.

For more information regarding this request, please contact Darryl Bailey, Director, Fire and Emergency Services / Fire Chief by email to darryl.bailey@caledon.ca or by phone at 905.584.2272 ext. 4330.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Allan Thompson

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Mayor

CC: Honourable Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General / MPP Dufferin-Caledon, sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org
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Jon Pegg, Ontario Fire Marshal, ofm@ontario.ca

Darryl Bailey, Director, Fire and Emergency Services / Fire Chief, Town of Caledon,

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Allan Thompson Mayor

Sent via E-Mail to: Patty.Hajdu@parl.gc.ca

March 31, 2021

The Honourable Patty Hajdu Federal Minister of Health House of Commons Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Ms. Hajdu,

RE: SUPPORT FOR 988, A 3-DIGIT SUICIDE AND CRISIS PREVENTION HOTLINE

I am writing to advise that at the Town Council meeting held on March 30, 2021, Council adopted a resolution endorsing the 988 crisis line initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help.

The resolution reads as follows:

Whereas the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline;

Whereas the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200%;

Whereas existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;

Whereas in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 988 crisis hotline;

Whereas the Town of Caledon recognized that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Caledon endorses this 988 crisis line initiative; and

That a letter demonstrating Caledon's support be sent to Kyle Seeback, MP, Dufferin-Caledon, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, MPP, Dufferin-Caledon, the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Federal Minister of Health, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications (CRTC) and all municipalities in Ontario.



Allan Thompson Mayor

Thank you for your attention to this very important matter. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Allan Thompson

Mayor

Cc. Kyle Seeback, MP Dufferin-Caledon, Kyle.Seeback@parl.gc.ca
Honourable Sylvia Jones, MPP Dufferin-Caledon, sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org

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March 31st, 2021

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

Attention: Premier Ford

RE: Support for Fire Departments

At the Township of Hudson's Regular Meeting of Council held on Wednesday March 3rd, 2021, the following resolution 2021-049 was put forward and passed:

WHEREAS the role of Ontario's 441 fire departments and their approximate 30,000 full, part-time, and volunteer firefighters is to protect Ontarians and their property; and

WHEREAS according to the Ontario Fire Marshal and Emergency Management's latest data, in Ontario there was over 11,000 number of loss fires, 9,500 no loss fires, 784 injuries, 91 fatalities, and over \$820 million dollars of estimated loss in 2018; and

WHEREAS fire emergencies only make up a portion of the total calls for help received by fire and emergency service departments as they respond to nearly every public emergency, disaster, or 9-1-1 call; and

WHEREAS Ontario's fire department infrastructure deficit continues to grow annually and is almost entirely borne by the municipality and local taxpayers with the majority having populations under 25,000; and

WHEREAS due to antiquated structures and equipment that do not meet current industry standards the safety of the Ontario public and Ontario firefighters is being jeopardized;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Hudson resolves as follows:

1. **THAT** the Federal and Provincial Government includes apparatuses, training, equipment and structures for fire departments as eligible categories to any further infrastructure programs which will not only provide immediate stimulus to the local, provincial and federal economies given current economic uncertainty but also ensure the safety of Canadians and dedicated firefighters; and

2. **THAT** this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Honourable Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure, local MPP, local MP, the Ontario Fire Marshal, Jon Pegg, the Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, and all Ontario Municipalities.

Please accept this for your consideration and any necessary action.

Sincerely,

Jordan Kemp

Clerk-Treasurer

Township of Hudson



Legislative Services Michael de Rond 905-726-4771 clerks@aurora.ca

Town of Aurora 100 John West Way, Box 1000 Aurora, ON L4G 6J1

April 1, 2021

Delivered by email premier@ontario.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Premier's Office, Room 281 Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier:

Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of March 30, 2021
Re: Motion 9.1 – Councillor Gaertner; Re: Highway 413

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its meeting held on March 30, 2021, and in this regard, Council adopted the following resolution:

Whereas the proposed GTA West Transportation Corridor, Highway 413, originated as a component of the 2005 *Places to Grow Act* that set out population, density and growth targets for municipalities, while aiming to direct growth away from agricultural and environmentally sensitive lands; and

Whereas the proposed highway will pave over 2,000 hectares of land including important agricultural and environmental lands contrary to mandate of that Act; and

Whereas in July 2020 the Province's omnibus Bill 197 removed many environmental regulations and opened a "streamlined" environmental assessment process, skipping over parts of Ontario's assessment system and removing the requirement for a comprehensive environmental assessment; and

Whereas City of Vaughan and City of Mississauga Councils have withdrawn their long-standing support because it would have a disastrous impact on the environment; and

Whereas no comprehensive environmental assessment has been done to date to address the above;

Town of Aurora Item 9.1 – Highway 413 April 1, 2021

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- Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved that Town of Aurora join the municipalities of Brampton and Caledon to pass a motion requesting a Federal impact assessment and a climate lens assessment of the proposed route and that further work on Highway 413 be placed on hold until this is completed; and
- 2. Be It Further Resolved That this motion be sent to Premier Doug Ford, Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation, Jeff Yurek, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Paul Calandra, Government House Leader, Christine Elliott, MPP, Michael Parsa, MPP, the Regional Municipalities of York and Halton, and all Greater Toronto Area Municipalities.

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

Yours sincerely,

Michael de Rond

Town Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

MdR/is

Copy: Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation

Hon. Jeff Yurek, Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks

Paul Calandra, Government House Leader

Christine Elliott, MPP, Newmarket-Aurora

Michael Parsa, MPP, Aurora-Oak Ridges-Richmond Hill

Regional Municipality of York

Regional Municipality of Halton

All Greater Toronto Area Municipalities



April 1, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford

Premier of Ontario Room 281, Legislative Building Queen's Park, Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

RE: BILL 257, SUPPORTING BROADBAND AND INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION ACT, 2021

Dear Premier;

This will confirm that at a meeting held on March 31, 2021 the Markham City Council adopted the following resolution:

Whereas the City of Markham supports the Province's initiatives to expand broadband infrastructure; and,

Whereas the Province of Ontario introduced Bill 257, Supporting Broadband and Infrastructure Expansion Act, 2021, on March 4, 2021; and,

Whereas the proposed legislation impacts municipal authorities and services in a manner that may be detrimental to the municipality, municipal stakeholders and the public; and,

Whereas Markham City Council has considered the proposed legislation; and,

Whereas City staff submitted correspondence dated March 26, 2021 to the Standing Committee on General Government identifying concerns with the proposed legislation;

Now therefore be it resolved that:

- 1. The City of Markham objects to certain proposed provisions in the Supporting Broadband and Infrastructure Expansion Act, 2021, (the "Act") including the following:
 - a. The Act removes the City of Markham's autonomy over its Rights of Way. It is important that municipalities have full autonomy and that the ability to make decisions for their rights of way. The municipality is best placed to make such decisions as it has the best knowledge of present and future planned projects and can make appropriate decisions based on all relevant factors;
 - b. The Act does not include adequate protections for public and stakeholder engagement. The Act does not mandate notification to the public and there may

be limited opportunities and/or insufficient time for the municipality to address and/or accommodate conflicts or concerns that are raised by the public; and,

- c. The Act provides the Minister with the ability to authorize contractors to excavate in a Right of Way without obtaining locates, increasing the potential for damages including injuries, loss of life, and damage to or losses of existing services. This may impact existing utility owners and end users.
- 2. The City of Markham requests that the proposed legislation be amended to more adequately address these concerns and those identified in the letter from the City to the Standing Committee on General Government dated March 26, 2021; and,
- 3. The City of Markham requests that this resolution be considered as part of the deliberations in respect of Bill 257; and further,
- 4. A copy of this resolution be provided to the Premier of Ontario, the Standing Committee of General Government, the Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Markham MPPs, the Regional Municipality of York, all municipalities within York Region, Alectra Utilities, Enbridge, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Should you have any questions, please contact Morgan Jones, Director, Operations at MJones@markham.ca or Barry Budhu, Senior Manager at BBudhu@markham.ca

Sincerely,

Kimberley Kitteringham

City Clerk

Cc: Standing Committee of General Government

Minister of Infrastructure

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Markham MPPs

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March 31, 2021

Honourable Steve Clark Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing 17th Floor, 777 Bay Street Toronto ON M5G 2E5

Dear Mr. Clark:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on March 22, 2021, passed the following resolution regarding Planning Act Timelines:

"WHEREAS the City of Kitchener, like many Ontario municipalities, is experiencing significant growth; and,

WHEREAS the City of Kitchener has conducted extensive work through its Development Services Review to remove red tape and improve public engagement; and,

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario's Planning Act provides a legislative framework for processing development applications including established timeframes which permit applicants to appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal if a Council fails to make a decision within a prescribed timeline; and,

WHEREAS the passing of Bill 108 in 2019 reduced the timelines for processing development applications before they can be appealed to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal (LPAT) for a non-decision from those outlined in Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 as follows:

- from seven months (210 days) to four months (120 days) for Official Plan amendments;
- from five months (150 days) to three months (90 days) for Zoning Bylaw amendments; and
- from six months (180 days) to four months (120 days) for Plans of Subdivision; and

WHEREAS the shortened timeframes create unreasonable pressures on municipalities, even outside the context of navigating city business in a global pandemic, and result in reduced opportunities for meaningful public engagement and limited time for the public to provide written submissions on a development application;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Kitchener City Council urge the Province of Ontario to review and reconsider the current timelines established for review of Planning Act applications before an appeal is permitted to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal and to return to the timelines that were in effect under Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to the local MP's and MPP's, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, to the Association of Municipalities Ontario, and all other municipalities in Ontario."

Yours truly,

C. Tarling

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Director of Legislated Services

& City Clerk

c: Honourable Tim Louis, M.P.

Honourable Raj Saini, M.P.

Honourable Marwan Tabbara, M. P.

Honourable Bardish Chagger, M.P.

Honourable Bryan May, M.P.

Honourable Amy Fee, M.P.P.

Honourable Catherine Fife, M.P.P.

Honourable Belinda Karahalios, M.P.P.

Honourable Mike Harris, M.P.P.

Honourable Laura Mae Lindo, M.P.P.

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TOWNSHIP OF LAKE OF BAYS 1012 Dwight Beach Rd Dwight, ON POA 1H0

Via email: clerks@sarnia.ca

April 7, 2021

City of Sarnia
Attention: Amy Burkhart, Acting City Clerk
255 Christina Street North
Sarnia, ON
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Dear Ms. Burkhart:

RE: Correspondence – Colour Coded Capacity Limits

On behalf of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays, please be advised that the above-noted correspondence was presented at the last regularly scheduled meeting on April 6, 2021, and the following was passed.

"Resolution #7(b)/04/06/21

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby receives the correspondence from Amy Burkhart, Acting City Clerk from the City of Sarnia requesting Support for the Province of Ontario to Adjust Capacity Limits as Part of the Colour-Coded System, dated March 4, 2021;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lake of Bays hereby supports the City of Sarnia's resolution requesting that the Province of Ontario adjust the capacity limits for dining, restaurants, sporting and recreational facilities, places of worship, event centers, and all retail/small businesses as part of the colour coded system;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the City of Sarnia, the Premier of Ontario, and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried."

Sincerely

Carrie Sykes, Dipl. M.A., CMO, AOMC, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk.

CS/cw

Encl.

Copy to:

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SARNIA City Clerk's Department

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March 4, 2021

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

Dear Premier Ford,

Re: Colour Coded Capacity Limits

At its meeting held on March 1, 2021, Sarnia City Council discussed the challenges local businesses are facing with respect to the colour coded system within the Province's COVID-19 Response Framework. The following motion was adopted:

That Sarnia City Council strongly advocate to the Province of Ontario that they adjust the capacity limits for dining, restaurants, sporting and recreational facilities, places of worship, event centers, and all retail/small businesses as part of the colour coded system.

The following rationale was provided with the introduction of the motion:

- The red zone currently only allows 10 people indoors at a dining or a sporting / recreational facility (regardless of the size), places of worship are capped at 30% or 50 people, and retail / small business is limited to a 50% capacity.
- These businesses and organizations have heavily invested in facility improvements and expensive upgrades to ensure safe social distancing and have all the appropriate safety and protection measures in place.
- Businesses in particular cannot properly plan under the current uncertainty and that means the loss of jobs and income for both workers and owners as well as mental health challenges.

• Indoor capacity limits for restaurants, dining, sporting / recreational facilities, event centers, retail / small business, and places of worship should not involve arbitrary numbers (regardless of size), but instead be changed to the amount of people per facility which ensures that strict and safe social distancing can be maintained.

Sarnia City Council has requested that all municipalities in Ontario join this advocacy effort.

On behalf of Sarnia City Council, I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Amy Burkhart Acting City Clerk

Cc: All Ontario Municipalities

Ms. Marilyn Gladu, MP Sarnia-Lambton Mr. Bob Bailey, MPP Sarnia-Lambton



TOWNSHIP OF ZORRA

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April 8, 2021

Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Via email: minister.mah@ontario.ca

Dear Minister Clark;

Please be advised that at the Township of Zorra Council meeting held on Wednesday, April 8, 2021, Council for the Township of Zorra passed the following:

Resolution No. 27-04-2021 Moved by: Paul Mitchell

Seconded by: Steve MacDonald

"WHEREAS Joint and Several Liability has been identified by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, for more than a decade, as a concern to Ontario municipalities as a contributing factor to increasing insurance premiums paid by those municipalities;

AND WHEREAS, previous provincial governments have failed to address those concerns;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Zorra supports the Municipality of Tweed in their call for reform and reconsideration of the Negligence Act, R.S.O. 1990, c N.1;

AND THAT this resolution and the letter from the Municipality of Tweed be forwarded to:

- Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,
- Ernie Hardeman, MPP for the riding of Oxford,
- The Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and
- All Ontario municipalities."

Disposition: Carried



TOWNSHIP OF ZORRA

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Enclosed is a copy of the correspondence from Municipality of Tweed for convenience and reference purposes.

Yours truly,

Alycia Wettlaufer

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Legislative Coordinator/Deputy Clerk, Township of Zorra

Encl.

CC: Hon. Ernie Hardeman, MPP for the Riding of Oxford hardeman@execulink.com
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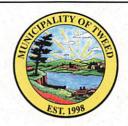
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March 10, 2021

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

Re: Advocacy for Reform of Joint and Several Liability

Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

During our budget deliberations and the review of the pricing for insurance for the 2021 year. Council is requesting that reform of the Joint and Several Liability system be undertaken. For the Municipality of Tweed, a small municipality within the County of Hastings, with population of 6,044 and total households of 3,023, as at the last census in 2016, we are experiencing significant increasing costs of insurance.

Over the last 5 years, we have experienced increase in our insurance premiums due to Joint and Several Liability. Our last 5 years of insurance premiums have been:

2017	\$161,441.84
2018	\$164,497.28
2019	\$171,649.20
2020	\$213,466.36
2021	\$265,170.24

Over the last 5 years, the annual premium has increased by \$103,728.40. That is 64.25%. For the Municipality of Tweed, the 2021 increase of \$51,703.88 results in a tax levy increase of 1.25%. Therefore, when Council wishes to keep the levy no higher than a 2% increase, especially under the financial times that residents have experienced due to the COVID-19 pandemic, more than half of this increase is allocated to insurance premiums. For a population of only 6,044, the annual cost of insurance per household is \$87.72 in 2021, compared to only \$53.41 in 2017.

This phenomenon is not unique to the Municipality of Tweed, nor is this a new concern. In 2010, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) submitted The Case for Joint and Several Liability Reform in Ontario on April 1, 2010 (copy can be found at https://www.amo.on.ca/sites/default/files/assets/DOCUMENTS/Reports/2010/TheCasef orJointandSeveralLiabilityReforminOntario20100401.pdf).

Because many view municipalities as having "deep pockets", they are often funding are larger portion of awards from court than what the fault percentage is. However, these "deep pockets" are at the cost of every taxpayer within the Municipality.

The Municipality of Tweed is advocating for reform and reconsideration of the *Negligence Act, R.S.O. 1990, c N. 1* to provide for alternatives. Many alternatives were provided in the 2010 AMO report previously referenced, including, but not limited to, Joint and Severable Liability at a set percentage of fault or Joint and Severable Liability based on type of damage.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Dane Ollert

Jo-Anne Albert

Mayor

cc. Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing All 444 Ontario Municipalities
Association of Municipalities of Ontario

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April 9, 2021

Town of Orangeville 87 Broadway Orangeville ON L9W 1K1

Re:

Support - Bill 257, Schedule C

Please be advised that at its meeting of April 7, 2021, Council of the Township of Essa received a copy of the Town of Orangeville's resolution pertaining to the request to remove Schedule 3 from Bill 257.

Please be advised that Council of the Township of Essa shares the same concerns and hereby supports this resolution as presented.

Sincerely,

Krista Pascoe, Deputy Clerk

CC:

Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Jim Wilson, MPP Simcoe-Grey Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Hon. Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority

Sent: April 14, 2021 3:42 PM

Subject: Township of Georgian Bay - Planning Act Timelines Resolution

Good afternoon,

Please see attached resolution C-087-2021 passed at the April 13th, 2021 Township of Georgian Bay Council meeting supporting the City of Kitchener's Resolution regarding Planning Act Timelines.

Thank you,

Sydney Amero

Executive Assistant to the CAO, Clerk, and Mayor

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C-087-2021

DATE: 12 April 2021

REFERRED _____

THE TOWNSHIP OF GEORGIAN BAY Council

Councillor Bochek
Councillor Cooper
Councillor Douglas
Councillor Hazelton
Councillor Jarvis
Councillor Wiancko
Mayor Koetsier

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports the City of Kitchener Resolution dated March 22, 2021 regarding Planning Act Timelines.

DEFEATED

CARRIED ___X___

DEFERRED _____

Peter Koetsier

Mayor



CHRISTINE TARLING

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March 31, 2021

Honourable Steve Clark Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing 17th Floor, 777 Bay Street Toronto ON M5G 2E5

Dear Mr. Clark:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on March 22, 2021, passed the following resolution regarding Planning Act Timelines:

"WHEREAS the City of Kitchener, like many Ontario municipalities, is experiencing significant growth; and,

WHEREAS the City of Kitchener has conducted extensive work through its Development Services Review to remove red tape and improve public engagement; and,

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario's Planning Act provides a legislative framework for processing development applications including established timeframes which permit applicants to appeal to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal if a Council fails to make a decision within a prescribed timeline; and,

WHEREAS the passing of Bill 108 in 2019 reduced the timelines for processing development applications before they can be appealed to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal (LPAT) for a non-decision from those outlined in Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017 as follows:

- from seven months (210 days) to four months (120 days) for Official Plan amendments;
- from five months (150 days) to three months (90 days) for Zoning Bylaw amendments; and
- from six months (180 days) to four months (120 days) for Plans of Subdivision; and

WHEREAS the shortened timeframes create unreasonable pressures on municipalities, even outside the context of navigating city business in a global pandemic, and result in reduced opportunities for meaningful public engagement and limited time for the public to provide written submissions on a development application;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Kitchener City Council urge the Province of Ontario to review and reconsider the current timelines established for review of Planning Act applications before an appeal is permitted to the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal and to return to the timelines that were in effect under Bill 139, the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to the local MP's and MPP's, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, to the Association of Municipalities Ontario, and all other municipalities in Ontario."

Yours truly,

C. Tarling

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Director of Legislated Services

& City Clerk

c: Honourable Tim Louis, M.P.

Honourable Raj Saini, M.P.

Honourable Marwan Tabbara, M. P.

Honourable Bardish Chagger, M.P.

Honourable Bryan May, M.P.

Honourable Amy Fee, M.P.P.

Honourable Catherine Fife, M.P.P.

Honourable Belinda Karahalios, M.P.P.

Honourable Mike Harris, M.P.P.

Honourable Laura Mae Lindo, M.P.P.

Bill Karsten, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities

Monika Turner, Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Rosa Bustamante, Director, Planning, City of Kitchener

Ontario Municipalities



www.springwater.ca 2231 Nursery Road Minesing, Ontario L9X 1A8 Canada

Sent via email

April 16, 2021

To: MP Shipley,

48 Alliance Blvd Suite 104

Barrie, Ontario

RE: Clean Fuel Standard

Good day,

At its regular meeting on April 7, 2021, Council of the Township of Springwater passed resolution C146C-2021 endorsing the following letter presented by the Township of Springwater's Agricultural Advisory Committee regarding the Clean Fuels Standard:

Dear Mr. Shipley,

The purpose of this letter is to discuss the Proposed Clean Fuels Standard that is being considered for legislation. As members of the Springwater Township Agricultural Advisory Committee, we have serious concerns with this proposal. This proposal in its current form, has the potential to be catastrophic to the Canadian farmer. The proposed rules and regulations for restrictions on land use are detrimental to the long-term viability of Canadian agriculture.

If this proposal goes ahead, Canadian farmers will be unable to make improvements to their land to make it more efficient for the use of crop production, thus making them unable to meet the needs of food supply needed for the ever-growing population. Making improvements to land for crop production is essential to the growing demand in food supply for our country and should not have restrictions placed upon it. Instilling restrictions in this manner is no different than telling a homeowner that any renovations made after a specific date disqualifies any future renovations.

The restrictions being imposed through the Clean Fuels Standard will make it so Canadian farmers are unable to recoup costs that they are spending in order to meet the needs of the growing population in Canada. Having these restrictions in place, will have buyers seeking products elsewhere, out of country. What will this do to Canada's economy?

The ideas proposed, 'setbacks from watercourses and woodlands,' would come at a tremendous cost to the Canadian farmers who have purchased, paid taxes, and cared for, for generations, are suddenly unable to use the land for renewable fuel purposes.

 How will these costs be recovered if the farmer is unable to utilize this land for crop production? Is a farmer going to have to build separate grain storage to store products that are ineligible for renewable energy at a cost of hundreds of thousands of dollars? Isn't it important that the Canadian Government work with Canadian farmers, not impose unworkable rules and regulations that hinder crop production and create a competitive disadvantage with other countries?

The Canadian Government has shown little regard for Canadian farmers in some of their policies and proposed legislation in recent years. The Clean Fuels Standard combined with the recent Carbon Tax, has the potential to put many Canadian farmers out of business. We need our governments to work with Canadian farmers in order to provide for the growing need of food supply in our country.

Please contact Chair David Spring to discuss this further at (705) 730-4033. We look forward to your support on this matter.

Sincerely,

Don Allen

Mayor, Township of Springwater

David S. Spring

Chairperson of the Springwater Township Agricultural Advisory Committee

Cc:

Hon., Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Environment and Climate Change; MPP Doug Downey,

Hon., Ernie Hardeman, Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs All Ontario Municipalities



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April 15, 2021

Sent to:

Dear Michelle DeFacendis:

RE: Proclamation Request - May - Food Allergy Awareness Month

I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved <u>Proclamation</u>, <u>Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy</u>, and the Town of Newmarket will proclaim May as Food Allergy Awareness Month Your proclamation request will be communicated on the Town's Twitter account, and on the Town's website on the Proclamation and Lighting Request page.

In addition, the Riverwalk Commons and Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in teal on May 25th to recognize Food Allergy Awareness Month. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Yours sincerely,

Kiran Saini

Deputy Town Clerk

KS:jg



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> Tel 412.785.7072 press@apraxia-kids.org www.apraxia-kids.org

Date: April 6, 2021

Town of Newmarket Ontario, Canada

Dear Representative

My name is **Julia Borizki** and I am writing to you as a volunteer for Apraxia Kids. May is Apraxia Awareness Month; an opportunity to bring awareness to our community about childhood apraxia of speech (CAS).

CAS is a motor speech disorder that affects 1 in 1,000 children. Children with CAS have difficulty planning and producing the precise, highly refined and specific series of movements of the tongue, lips, jaw, and palate that are necessary for intelligible speech. Children with apraxia of speech often have an age appropriate understanding of language - they know what they want to say - but have difficulty learning or performing the complex movements that underlie speech. Apraxia of speech is one of the most severe childhood speech and communication disorders.

CAS is still unfamiliar, misunderstood, and continues to have a significant impact on children and their families. Speech and communication are critical skills for young children to develop. Speech and communication are critical skills for young children and they along with their families need support to develop these skills as they will not outgrow this disorder. The only proven treatment for CAS is intensive speech therapy, and is quite costly as it extends over many years for these children. Through endless determination and hard work, children affected with CAS continue through their struggles to learn a skill - speaking - that comes effortlessly to other children.

Apraxia has been a part of our lives for 8 years now, ever since my daughter Angie was diagnosed with it at age 2.5yrs old. She fights for her voice every day. It will be a life long struggle. I have done my best to educate the school and her friend's on Apraxia but I would like to take it one-step further. We've been members of this community since 2011. I would love for May 14th to be proclaimed Apraxia Awareness Day and help children like my daughter see how much their town loves them.

- ✓ Learn more about apraxia at www.apraxia-kids.org. Please help us raise awareness for these amazing children!
- ✓ As part of Apraxia Awareness Day, please consider using the suggested social media posts included on the next page. We can also help arrange interviews with parents of children with apraxia or local speech-language pathologists to speak about CAS and the importance of bringing awareness to this disorder. Contact press@apraxia-kids.org for more information!

Thank you for the consideration,





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QUICK FACTS

- Childhood apraxia of speech (CAS) is a motor speech disorder that becomes apparent as a young child is learning to speak.
- CAS is often misdiagnosed because of its relative rarity. Recent findings indicate that CAS is low incidence that affects 1 in 1,000 children.
- Frequent, intensive speech therapy focused on the principles of motor learning is the
 only treatment for CAS. As it is relatively uncommon and often misunderstood, it can be
 difficult for families to find professionals who are trained to diagnose and effectively
 treat apraxia.

SUGGESTED TWEETS/SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

- Today, May 14, is #ApraxiaAwarenessDay! RT to raise awareness for childhood apraxia
 of speech!
- Today, on #ApraxiaAwarenessDay, let's make #childhoodapraxiaofspeech part of everyday conversation.
- RT and celebrate #ApraxiaAwarenessDay! Share your #childhoodapraxiaofspeech story!

ABOUT APRAXIA KIDS

Apraxia Kids is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit publicly funded charity whose mission is to strengthen the support systems in the lives of children with apraxia so that each child is afforded their best opportunity to develop speech and communication.

Apraxia Kids is based out of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. This office of 8 full-time staff members is responsible for the development and coordination of all programming, education, funding, and research. With the support of thousands of volunteers and donors, Apraxia Kids is able to help children find their voices through education, research, support, and awareness. Learn more at www.apraxia-kids.org.