

## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

**Resolution No.:** 

Title: Support for Wellington County Resolution regarding Aggregate Resources or gravel pit assessment valuation

Date: December 14, 2020

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

WHEREAS on October 2, 2020 Wellington County Council passed a resolution concerning Aggregate Resources or gravel pit assessment valuation and requests support from all Ontario municipalities;

AND WHEREAS previous assessment methodologies for aggregate resource properties valued areas that were used for aggregate resources or gravel pits at industrial land rates on a per acre basis of the total site and such properties were formally classified and taxed as industrial lands;

AND WHEREAS as a result of the 2016 appeal settlement land rates used for gravel pits changed from industrial land rates to farmland rates resulting in substantial decrease in assessment for gravel pits;

AND WHEREAS Town of Halton Hills Council supports a fair and equitable assessment system for all aggregate resource properties;

AND WHEREAS Town of Halton Hills Council has concerns that the revised criteria does not fairly assess the current value of the aggregate resource properties.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

(a) That Town of Halton Hills Council does not consider the revised criteria for assessment of aggregate resource properties as a fair method of valuation for these properties; and

(b) That Town of Halton Hills Council believes there is a need to review the current assessment methodology for aggregate resource properties to address the inequity of property values; and

(c) That Town of Halton Hills Council believes there is a need to review the current exemption of aggregate in the Assessment Act; and

(c) That Town of Halton Hills Council hereby calls upon the Province to work with the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation to address the assessment issue so that aggregate resource properties are assessed for their industrial value; and

(d) That Town of Halton Hills Council direct the Clerk to provide a copy of this motion to the Ministers of Finance; Municipal Affairs and Housing; and Natural Resources and Forestry; and to AMO, ROMA, and all Ontario municipalities and local MPP(s).

Mayor Rick Bonnette