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January 11, 2021

**RE: APPLICATION FOR A CANNABIS RETAIL STORE AUTHORIZATION**

T Cannabis  
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**File Number:** 1022903

To Whom it May Concern:

Thank you for having taken the time to share your comments about the proposed cannabis retail store identified above. We wish to advise you that the Registrar has considered your submission along with others received in response to this store's application.

As we have stated in our materials about the Public Interest Notice process, the *Cannabis Licence Act, 2018* and its Regulation allow the Registrar to consider the following matters related to public interest when making a decision as to whether or not to authorize a cannabis retail store:

1. Protecting public health and safety
2. Protecting youth and restricting their access to cannabis
3. Preventing illicit activities in relation to cannabis

After carefully considering all of the available information, the Registrar has determined that issuance of the cannabis *Retail Store Authorization* for the above noted premises is not contrary to the public interest.

All owners and operators of cannabis retail stores are subject to the provincial [Cannabis Licence Act, 2018](#) and its [Regulation](#), and the AGCO's [Registrar Standards](#).

For more information, please visit our website at [www.agco.ca/cannabis](http://www.agco.ca/cannabis).

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Raj Singh", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Raj Singh  
Eligibility Officer



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Minister Economic Development, Job Creation & Trade's Office  
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Dear Minister Joly and Minister Fedeli:

On January 11, 2021, City of Burlington Council passed the enclosed resolution calling for the Provincial and Federal government to extend and expand funding for the Digital Main Street program to support local business.

The City of Burlington's fundamental priority throughout the COVID-19 pandemic has been to protect the health and safety of Burlington residents, employers and employees, and support our business community to survive the economic impacts of COVID-19 public health measures.

The members of Team Burlington (Burlington Economic Development, Burlington Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Burlington, Burlington Downtown Business Association and Aldershot Village BIA) came together to create the Burlington Economic Recovery Network (BERN) to engage our business community and ensure they are receiving the support they need during this challenging time. Supporting our local businesses to create digital sales tools was one the key recommendations of BERN which was achieved through accessing the Digital Main Street program.

The Digital Main Street Program has been a critical support to local main street businesses during COVID-19 that Team Burlington has implemented based on business concerns raised by the Burlington Economic Recovery Network. As part of the program Burlington has benefitted from hiring two Digital Service Squad members who have had over 1,000 touchpoints with businesses and supported over 130 businesses to date in growing their digital presence and tools. In addition, qualifying businesses have been able to access a \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant to implement digital tools within their business.



When the province of Ontario went into lockdown on December 26<sup>th</sup> online and digital channels became the primary method for main street businesses to interact with customers and generate revenues. Many businesses reached out to Burlington's Digital Service Squad team for support in how to engage with customers, update their website and use social channels to promote curb side pickup and takeaway, in line with provincial lockdown restrictions placed on business. As of December 31<sup>st</sup> 2020 applications for both the \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant and new applications for Digital Service Squad support have been closed to new applications awaiting renewal of funding.

At the January 11<sup>th</sup> Burlington City Council meeting the enclosed resolution was passed, in partnership with the Burlington Economic Recovery Network (BERN) and Team Burlington, calling on the provincial and federal governments to:

- renew and expand funding to the Digital Main Street program as soon as possible to help our businesses to survive the provincial lockdown and reopening of the economy in the future;
- renew the \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant and Digital Service Squad support; and
- expand the Digital Main Street Transformation Grant to be available to main street businesses that are located outside of BIAs as the initial program restricted applicants to BIA member businesses only
- Commit to a minimum 2 year funding extension to the Digital Main Street program

The Ontario Business Improvement Area Association (OBIAA) has successfully managed two Digital Main Street projects and it continues to be a highly successful and sought-after project. With funding now ended we highly recommend the Digital Main Street 3.0 program proposed by OBIAA have its funding renewed expeditiously for a minimum of two years. In addition we would ask for an expansion of the Digital Transformation Grants qualification criteria to include all main street business not just businesses located in Business Improvement Areas (BIAs). While the Digital Service Squad team members provide essential supports to help main street businesses improve their digital presence the additional funds provided through the \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant is critical to support businesses to implement digital tools to support their businesses to survive the impacts of the measures associated with lockdown and stay at home orders to their business. The expansion of these supports would help address the concerns identified as part of the Ontario's Main Street Recovery Plan to build e-commerce tools so small business can do more online.

As we move through the pandemic, please know that the City of Burlington will continue to seek opportunities to work with you to help Burlington residents and businesses. Programs like Digital Main Street support our local business community and residents by improving opportunities to



offer a safe consumer and employee experience so that local businesses operations can remain viable.

Thank you in advance. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Burlington Economic Recovery Network's lead on this matter Anita Cassidy, Executive Director of Burlington Economic Development, at [Anita.Cassidy@burlington.ca](mailto:Anita.Cassidy@burlington.ca) or (905) 332-9415. It would be a pleasure to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Randall Smallbone  
Chair, Burlington Economic Recovery Network

Mayor Marianne Meed Ward  
City of Burlington

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Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade  
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January 19, 2021

SUBJECT: COVID-19 emergency response verbal update (CSSRA-01-21)

Please be advised that at its meeting held Monday, January 11, 2021, the Council of the City of Burlington approved the following resolution:

Whereas the Digital Main Street Program has been a critical support to local main street businesses during COVID-19; and

Whereas as part of the program Burlington has benefitted from hiring two Digital Service Squad members who have reached out to over 1000 businesses and supported over 130 businesses to date in growing their digital presence and tools. In addition, qualifying businesses have been able to access a \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant to implement digital tools within their business; and

Whereas current funding for our Digital Service Squad members end in February 2021; and

Whereas when the province of Ontario went into lockdown on December 26th online and digital channels became the primary method for main street businesses to interact with customers and generate revenues; and

Whereas many businesses have reached out to Burlington's Digital Service Squad team for support in how to engage with customers, update their website and use social channels to promote curb side pickup and takeaway, in line with provincial lockdown restrictions placed on business; and

Whereas as of December 31st 2020 applications for both the \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant and new applications for Digital Service Squad support have been closed to new applications awaiting renewal of funding.

Therefore be it resolved that:

City Council, in partnership with the Burlington Economic Recovery Network (BERN) and Team Burlington, call on the provincial and federal governments to:

- renew and expand funding to the Digital Main Street program as soon as possible to help our businesses to survive the provincial lockdown and reopening of the economy in the future;
- renew the \$2,500 Digital Transformation Grant and Digital Service Squad support; and
- expand the Digital Main Street Transformation Grant to be available to main street businesses that are located outside of BIAs as the initial program restricted applicants to BIA member businesses only
- Commit to a minimum 2-year funding extension to the Digital Main Street program

Further be it resolved that:

The Mayor and Council representative on the BERN be directed to write a letter, jointly with BERN and Team Burlington members, advocating the extension and expansion of the Digital Main Street Program and Digital Transformation Grant to the Provincial Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Minister Economic Development, Job Creation & Trade and Minister of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction, and the Federal Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages and Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade; and

The City Clerk be directed to send a copy of the letter and resolution, once approved, to:

- Burlington Ministers of Parliament including Minister Karina Gould, MP Pam Damoff and MP Adam Van Koeverden

- Burlington Members of Provincial Parliament including MPP Jane McKenna, MPP Effie Triantafilopoulos and MPP Parm Gill
- Halton Regional Council
- Members of the Towns of Milton, Halton Hills and Oakville Councils
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
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- Burlington Economic Recovery Network (BERN)

If you have any questions, please contact me at extension 7702 or the e-mail address above.

Sincerely,



Amanda Fusco  
Deputy City Clerk



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January 19, 2021

Your Worship

Dear Sir/Madam:

**RE: LINE 5 PIPELINE**

I am forwarding to you a letter written to the Prime Minister of Canada with respect to the Line 5 Pipeline.

I am bringing the matter of the Line 5 Pipeline to your attention as this is not just an issue for one community or one Province but will impact on many Canadians including those in your community.

If this pipeline is closed it will:

- dramatically increase the price of fuel in Canada as it relates to gasoline and propane.
- bring about the transportation of those fuels through other means which have greater safety concerns including rail, truck and ship, possibly through your community.
- as an arbitrary action, have significant impact on the relationship between Ontario's largest trading partner—Michigan--and will result in other ramifications. Over \$85 billion in trade per year crosses the two borders and the pipeline closing will impact negatively on other trade issues, from auto to agriculture, in the years ahead.

Thank you in advance for your consideration in reviewing this correspondence. If you wish to add your voice to the Prime Minister it would be deeply appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Bradley  
Mayor of Sarnia



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January 4, 2021

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, P.C., M.P.  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau:

**RE: LINE 5 PIPELINE**

On behalf of the citizens of Sarnia I would like to express our gratitude for the work your government has done to protect Canadians through the Covid-19 pandemic.

We know protecting the ongoing economic and energy security of Canadians is paramount for your government, particularly as we move into economic recovery. This is why I am raising today my deep concern and that of the community of Sarnia Lambton that the Governor of Michigan, Gretchen Whitmer's efforts to shut down the Line 5 easement could have extremely damaging impacts on the energy needs of Canadian and U.S. consumers, as well as the businesses and livelihoods that depend on the Line 5 pipeline.

As Mayor of the City of Sarnia, the Sarnia community and region of Southwestern Ontario relies on Line 5 for thousands of jobs and economic output that strengthens both Ontario and Canada.

I am urging you to reach out to U.S. President-Elect, Joe Biden and ask that this matter be handled by upholding the 1977 Transit Pipeline Treaty, which the President-Elect voted in favour of.

A disruption of Line 5 would result in a daily shortage of over 14 million gallons of gasoline and other transportation fuels, impacting people in Ontario, Quebec, Wisconsin, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Ten regional refineries would be significantly and adversely impacted, leading to a significant loss of jobs. Disrupting the line would also create regional propane shortages, higher energy prices and hardship for families, especially



those on fixed incomes or of modest means. That's unacceptable – even more so during this COVID-19 pandemic.

The Canada-U.S. 1977 Transit Pipelines Treaty (negotiated by Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau and President Jimmy Carter – and voted for by then-first-term Senator Joe Biden) precludes this kind of interruption of existing hydrocarbon pipelines. The Transit Treaty ensures that the United States, including its individual states, cannot impede pipeline operations that Canada depends on for exports or imports.

To address Michigan's clear violation of the Transit Treaty, the document provides a mechanism for Canada to negotiate with the United States, state to state. Given the national importance of Line 5, we need you to engage assertively with the incoming Biden Administration, communicating firmly that Governor Whitmer's unlawful and baseless effort to terminate the Line 5 easement is unacceptable and in clear violation of the 1977 Transit Pipelines Treaty. This is an action only you and your government can take and we are urging you to move quickly.

The Governor's attempt to revoke and terminate the Line 5 easement is improper, unlawful and will negatively impact people, energy and economic security on both sides of the border. Enbridge is currently seeking permit approval for the tunnel project and replacement pipeline which, upon completion, will make a safe Straits crossing even safer. We and many others need you to take action to ensure a peaceful resolution to this issue. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,



Mike Bradley  
Mayor of Sarnia



Copy:

The Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance

The Honourable Seamus O'Regan, Minister of Natural Resources

The Honourable François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Foreign Affairs

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

The Honourable Greg Rickford, Minister of Energy, Northern Development and Mines

The Honourable Bill Walker, Associate Minister of Energy



To: Mayor and Council

From: Gravel Watch Ontario

Re: Ontario on the Rocks

Date: January 8, 2021

Gravel Watch is a province-wide umbrella group representing communities and individuals across the province. Like you, we keep a watchful eye on aggregate-related operations, practices, and policy development throughout Ontario. In addition to that vigilance, we offer many resources to our members and the public, providing education via our website at [www.gravelwatch.org](http://www.gravelwatch.org) and in monthly meetings. Further, we advocate on behalf of members, communities, the environment, and all Ontarians, for better management of aggregate resources. We believe that these can be of use to you and to members of your community.

When, in 2020, we sent a previous communication, we were pleased that we subsequently heard from community groups. That means that you shared the document, and we shared your burden of providing information around aggregate issue to the community. If we lightened your load by doing so, that is a good thing. We know what difficult times you are steering your municipality through. Thank you for that work.

The attached document, *Ontario on the Rocks: A Report on the Economic, Social and Environmental Consequences of Resource Extraction*, is a summary of some current policy directions as well as our recommendations which have been previously offered to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. It suggests the following:

- Stimulating the Ontario economy's emerging industries as well as reducing costs to the municipalities and the province through resource recovery and other measures;





- Prioritizing local industry, and local jobs through provincial procurement practices;
- Quantifying, evaluating, and conserving aggregate resources;
- Valuing agriculture and water resources above the narrow, short-term interests of one industry
- Showing respect to individuals, community groups and municipalities in a way that recognizes not only your attachment but your detailed knowledge of the particularities of your location.

Gravel Watch Ontario invites you to consider and discuss the attached document, and to share it actively with members of your community who have an interest in moving toward better management of aggregate resources. Additionally, Gravel Watch is open to discussions with you and them via our email connection i.e., [info@gravelwatch.org](mailto:info@gravelwatch.org), our website at [www.gravelwatch.org](http://www.gravelwatch.org), or by calling 289-270-7535.

Sincerely,

Bryan Smith, President

Gravel Watch Ontario

## **Introduction**

Ontario is the economic engine of Canada in the several sectors – manufacturing, agriculture and resource extraction. The first two of these depend on Ontario's rich resources. This paper will focus on resource extraction knowing that while it seems to support economic activity and therefore communities, it actually undermines the environment necessary to sustain communities and agriculture. Further, this paper will discuss the relationships between the extraction industry and the province at community, municipal and provincial levels. These relationships are complex and costly for the province. As a wise woman said "Gravel is complicated". While mining and forestry are also resource extraction industries, and while there are parallels and analogies between those and the extraction of aggregate, it is on the rock, sand, clay and gravel that this paper will focus.

### **Extraction creates an economic boost?**

It is commonly believed that gravel pits or quarries create jobs. Community members see trucks coming and going. Municipalities see some portion of the levy coming to their limited coffers. Machine operators, blasters and other labour are required, and often live in nearby communities. This appearance of economic activity is deceptive: When the economy is active, there is demand for aggregate for a variety of uses; the extraction does not create the economic conditions but rather is a response to economic conditions. So, stimulus to extraction either by incentive measures or lightening some part of the industry's responsibilities is not a positive economic boost. The aggregate industry allows pits and quarries to remain dormant for decades between contracts without major economic impact on the surrounding communities, though with consequences for the environment only somewhat less than those during active periods.

Aggregate extraction has multiple costs for the province. The bulk of gravel, stone and sand are bought by municipalities and the Province. Roads and bridges consume them in their raw and processed states; the bills land on the desks of government officials and are paid by the public. The industry in Ontario is largely

weighted to multi-national corporations who are the players in the large projects which governments undertake. When a local municipality is contracting for materials and/or road work, they often find that the local company is owned by a larger one. This structure of the industry means that money flows out of Ontario to corporate head offices. That net outflow reduces the economic value of Ontario's economy. It would be better if Ontario's road construction were sourcing its materials from local producers which would result in much higher direct and indirect investments in Ontario than that to be anticipated from international bankers.

### **Extraction takes away!**

By its very nature, extraction takes valued resources from the environment. Where this results in greater value in a full-cost equation, this could be deemed a good thing. In Ontario, Canada's most southerly province, agriculture is the largest industry. Because food travels from food to table, it engenders multiple additional jobs and processes along the way. Farmers work at planting and sowing; food processors work at capturing the flavour and nutrition; warehousing and transportation move the goods to local, national and international markets and consumers. Contrary to the extraction of cash from Ontario's economy, this results in an inflow to farm owners and their employees.

The vital contribution of agriculture to the province relies on a precious resource – topsoil. Fertile lands in Southern Ontario are valued around \$30 000 an acre. Given that 6 inches of topsoil is largely what generates this price, we can see its extraordinary monetary value. When extraction occurs, however, topsoil ceases to be available for agriculture. Worse, when it is shaped into berms alongside pits and quarries in a vain attempt to hide their view from passersby and to prevent waves of dust from sailing over, topsoil's microbial life ends, so soil fertility is damaged. That loss to agricultural potential is costly. In light of the extraction industry's negative impact on agricultural lands already under significant pressure, and in light of the presence of vast numbers of dormant and relatively inactive pits, there is an argument to be made for the closure of the pit license application process in Ontario. Under that balanced approach, agricultural and

recreational land uses would produce economic growth while inefficient and under-utilized operations would be rationalized.

### **Extraction costs in municipal and provincial road work.**

The costs of extraction industries are largely borne by the public. This is a highly inefficient way to do business because it means that cost accounting is done by multiple public agencies at several levels. Municipalities' budgets are strained by the load which extraction puts on roads. Each new pit adds the potential for new stretches of road to require upgrading and resurfacing of haul routes. This extracts vital funds from road maintenance budgets that are needed to respond to winter conditions, for regular repairs or to replace surfaces which were paved with substandard materials in the same way as the Province experienced significantly short lifespans. This cost was created when contaminated aggregate was substituted for quality.

Currently, when aggregate moves longer distances, it travels on provincial highways. They are routinely pummelled by overloaded trucks. The Ministry of Transport inspections have revealed 10 to 20% excess loads on gravel trucks, representing an undue strain on roads, as well as a significant safety hazard. The costs of accidents on public highways are immeasurable when they take lives. Even when they do not, they spread costs among fire departments, local and provincial police forces, road repairs and reconstruction when surfaces are damaged or guard rails ploughed aside by trucks, and the high costs of hospitalization and rehabilitation of the injured. When gravel trucks crash, everything stops! – The vital movement of goods from producer to consumer, of just-in-time parts to manufacturers, of business people to their time-sensitive meetings or of workers to their punch-clock jobs are all affected adversely by the poor safety record of aggregate hauling. The aggregate industry needs to reconsider the how, the when and the why of hauling rock and smaller products around the province.

Aggregate does not need to move by truck. Were it to move by longer distances train, for instance, the infrastructure would be private and under federal jurisdiction reducing costs and liability for the Province. There are existing

examples, particularly in Alberta, of efficient use of railways to move aggregate. Further, shipping aggregate by boat is practised in Ontario and could relieve the strain on current roads and/or the need to add lanes or highways.

### **Aggregate Costs the Public's Health**

While aggregate production is supposed to be an “interim use”, its duration is such that it has significant health and other impacts on neighbouring communities. Dust produced during extraction routinely leaves the pit areas and spread to “sensitive receptors”, i.e., people. Included in that dust output is fine particulate matter, of under 2.5 microns in size, which a series of research papers including those by Public Health – Ontario, reveal to damage lungs, hearts and brains. That direct impact is complicated by yet another factor of quarrying, the haulage by diesel trucks whose negative impacts include the emission of fine particulate especially when idling at entry gates, loading or exiting and when accelerating from pits onto roads. While fine particulate matter is invisible to the human eye, the belching black fumes are seen by our eyes, sensed by our noses and suffered by our lungs. The presence of dust and fine particulate matter in the air engenders massive costs in health for members of the public and the public system offering it, as well as shortening productive life spans. Human conditions are economic conditions.

Public health is affected too when water quality or quantity from private, community or municipal wells is undermined by dewatering of pits, by below-the-water-table extraction, by the loss of filtration values of overburdens and gravel deposits, the diminution of headwater recharge zones as well as effects on surface water. When pits are dewatered, water tables fall, necessitating deeper drilling of wells. This costs well-owners. When pits open ground water to the sky, run-off, deposition from the air and other vectors can add contaminants to drinking water, necessitating more expensive filtration and treatment. When deep sand and gravel layers are removed above the aquifer, the rapid infiltration of water means that the filtering process supplied naturally by the sand and gravel as in moraines, drumlins and alvars is lost. Emerging science provided by toxicologist Poh-Gek Forkert and others points to the need for filtration and

entrapment of a number of toxins used currently, or historically and now banned. When source water recharge zones become smooth surfaces like roads, pits, parking areas in quarries, water sources dry up. There is unanimous agreement in the Legislature, for instance that “The Paris Galt Moraine is an essential water recharge area in Ontario’s largest watershed – the Grand River Watershed – purifying water at no cost to the citizens” and that “This is about conserving what nature can do for free, so I cannot think of a more fiscally responsible solution. Failure to act could put the government on the hook for hundreds of millions in water infrastructure”. This applies broadly across the province as does the necessity to sustain wetlands. Wetland loss has resulted in significant reductions in groundwater and surface water which effects domestic and industrial uses of water, and therefore has significant economic impact. If any of these processes allows chemical and/or biological contaminants to reach drinking water, the tragic results, like those at Walkerton, are immediate, early or painfully slow deaths. Dollars and cents don’t make sense of these losses.

### **Extraction is No Limit**

There is no indication that Ontario needs any more gravel, rock, sand or clay. Not a single road, bridge or highway has come to a halt because of a lack of supply. Not a single skyscraper or foundation has been prevented because no aggregate was available. In fact, as regards roads, every indication is that Ontario uses too much aggregate in building them, the highest in Canada despite harsher climates elsewhere, and higher than adjacent American states where traffic volumes match or exceed ours. Is the province over-consuming and paying the price. Innovations in building materials see more and glass and steel in use, vastly diminishing the quantities of aggregate needed directly or indirectly. The resurgence of wood in exterior and interior construction suggests that this renewable resource might be more efficient as well as sustainable than a finite supply of aggregate. There seems little risk that potters will run out of mud.

Fortunately, Ontario’s ‘finite’ supply is close to infinite. The report prepared for the MNRF by Larry Jensen, an accredited geologist, analyzes licences across the province and predicts from them a 100 to 200 year supply with existing licenses.

From that you would deduce that Ontario needs no more licenses to be issued, freeing up MNRF staff to effectively monitor and enforce policies in an equitable and consistent manner and even to assist operators in the efficient workings of their equipment. (One inspector on a noise complaint realized that the screeching which produced calls to the office was a bearing that would cost thousands to replace and would result in long down-time. He recommended lubricants. Neighbours and employees had a more pleasant experience after lubrication and the gravel pit saw economic benefit). Additionally, MNRF staff could also be deployed to determine the actual amount of virgin aggregate available when accurate data has not been available beyond the licence amounts. To those efficiencies could be added a drive to rehabilitate the approximately 7 000 abandoned pits across the province, restoring them to productive uses, agricultural, recreational or other, and getting the province back on track with the work to move other depleted sites out of post-extractive neglect and into the hands of willing landowners. There is no crisis in supply; there wasn't in the 1970 despite industry crying "Wolf" and there won't be in the foreseeable future.

Ontario is further supplied with stone or crushed product when reprocessing occurs. This increases Ontario's supply and the horizon for adequate availability. It also moves from an intense consumption of energy to less one. While traffic is slowed by a machine which removes, melts and reapplies asphalt to roads, it is not brought to a stop as when truckloads of damaged road surfacing materials are hauled away, and new cement or asphalt is laid. Recycled aggregate has home uses as well, crushed brick pathways for example, when houses give way to higher and/or more modern structures. This industrial process also creates jobs in the proximity of the new project while saving provincial costs associated with haulage as previously described. Aggregate can be part of a circular economy, and by doing so can be perceived as both for the people who benefit from the jobs and the speed of transition from wreckage to new construction and for the people who live in rural areas which are spared destruction.



**Three Heads are Better than One**

The value of public consultations is that they bring together stakeholders from multiple sectors: those who work in the field, such as industry and ministry; those who live beside the field, such as individuals and community groups; and, scientists, such as academics whose research provides emerging knowledge which can result in current and future savings and accredited qualified consultants. Regarding the science community, we might have hoped that emerging science were more carefully listened too before the release of heavy liquid metals into the waters around the Reed Paper Mills, and might want to harken to the warnings that qualified consultants working with the best current knowledge and ethical interests would apply to operations and rehabilitation of aggregate extraction sites. It is fitting that aggregate policy be for the people who live with it, pay for it, and require it (and especially robust worker safety and residential health standards) for their continued benefit. Since industry players are in competition with each other, we should not have been surprised to see the collapse of the CornerStone Standards, nor the conflict among small versus large (and therefore international) companies evident in multiple cases. That leaves ministry staff to carry out the policy role, which means that some proponent-driven processes which the industry currently claims to struggle with could become the work of the Ministry of Natural Resources who would manage the processes, provide expertise, consult with the local, broader and scientific community, and to regulate in an equitable fashion extraction from approved sites in the interests of the people. Democracy is for the people and continues to engage people in decisions.

**Recommendations**

1. Adopt a balanced approach where agriculture and public investment outweigh the narrow interests of one small segment of resource extraction.
2. Stimulate the Ontario economy through a broad variety of investments in emerging industries, resource recovery, cost efficiencies, and broad consultations with stakeholders.
3. Encourage the location of industry in Ontario through procurement practices that prioritize local ownership and head offices.
4. Quantify resources; determine quality; and conserve the irreplaceable.
5. Show respect for the people as individuals and in community groups in a way that recognizes the profound attachment of rural people to productive land.

# Ontario on the Rocks

A Report on the  
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Consequences  
of  
Resource  
Extraction

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January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario

Sent by email: [doug.fordco@pc.ola.org](mailto:doug.fordco@pc.ola.org)

**RE: MOTION REGARDING - Insurance**

The following resolution was passed by the Council for the Municipality of Charlton and Dack on December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020:

*WHEREAS the cost of municipal insurance in the Province of Ontario has continued to increase – with especially large increases going into 2021.*

*AND WHEREAS Joint and Several Liability continues to ask property taxpayers to carry the lion's share of a damage award when a municipality is found at minimum fault;*

*AND WHEREAS these increases are unsustainable and unfair and eat at critical municipal services;*

*AND WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario outlined seven recommendations to address insurance issues including:*

- 1. The provincial government adopt a model of full proportionate liability to replace joint and several liability.*
- 2. Implement enhancements to the existing limitations period including the continued applicability of the existing 10 day rule on slip and fall cases given recent judicial interpretations and whether a 1 year limitation period may be beneficial.*
- 3. Implement a cap for economic loss awards.*
- 4. Increase the catastrophic impairment default benefit limit to \$2 million and increase the third party liability coverage to \$2 million in government regulated automobile insurance plans.*
- 5. Assess and implement additional measures which would support lower premiums or alternatives to the provision of insurance services by other entities such as non profit insurance reciprocals.*
- 6. Compel the insurance industry to supply all necessary financial evidence including premiums, claims and deductible limit changes which support its*

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*and municipal arguments as to the fiscal impact of joint and several liability.*

7. *Establish a provincial and municipal working group to consider the above and put forward recommendations to the Attorney General.*

*THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council for the Municipality of Charlton and Dack call on the Province of Ontario to immediately review these recommendations and to investigate the unethical practice of preferred vendors who are paid substantial amounts over industry standards, despite COVID 19 delays, as insurance premiums will soon be out of reach for many communities.*

*AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this motion be provided to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of Finance, the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario, the Honourable John Vanthof, MPP for Timiskaming- Cochrane, and all Ontario municipalities.*

Yours Truly,

**Dan Thibeault**  
**Clerk Treasurer CAO**  
**Municipality of Charlton and Dack**

**CC:** Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance  
Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario  
Honourable John Vanthof, MPP for Timiskaming- Cochrane  
All Ontario Municipalities



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January 22, 2021

RE: Insurance Rates Resolution

Please be advised that the Council of the Municipality of Grey Highlands, at its meeting held January 20, 2021, passed the following resolution:

**2021-39**

**Moved by Tom Allwood, Seconded by Aakash Desai**

**Whereas the cost of municipal insurance in the Province of Ontario has continued to increase – with especially large increases going into 2021; and**

**Whereas Joint and Several Liability continues to ask property taxpayers to carry the lion's share of a damage award when a municipality is found at minimum fault; and**

**Whereas these increases are unsustainable and unfair and eat at critical municipal services; and**

**Whereas the Association of Municipalities of Ontario outlined seven recommendations to address insurance issues including:**

- 1. The provincial government adopt a model of full proportionate liability to replace joint and several liability.**
- 2. Implement enhancements to the existing limitations period including the continued applicability of the existing 10-day rule on slip and fall cases given recent judicial interpretations and whether a 1 year limitation period may be beneficial.**
- 3. Implement a cap for economic loss awards.**
- 4. Increase the catastrophic impairment default benefit limit to \$2 million and increase the third-party liability coverage to \$2 million in government regulated automobile insurance plans.**
- 5. Assess and implement additional measures which would support lower premiums or alternatives to the provision of insurance services by other entities such as nonprofit insurance reciprocals.**
- 6. Compel the insurance industry to supply all necessary financial evidence including premiums, claims and deductible limit changes which support its own and municipal arguments**

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as to the fiscal impact of joint and several liability.

**7. Establish a provincial and municipal working group to consider the above and put forward recommendations to the Attorney General;**

**Now therefore be it resolved that the Council for the Municipality of Grey Highlands call on the Province of Ontario to immediately review these recommendations and to investigate the unethical practice of preferred vendors who are paid substantial amounts over industry standards, despite COVID 19 delays, as insurance premiums will soon be out of reach for many communities and**

**Be it further resolved that this motion be provided to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance, the Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario, the Honourable Bill Walker, MPP for Bruce - Grey - Owen Sound, and all Ontario municipalities.  
CARRIED.**

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

Sincerely,



Jerri-Lynn Levitt  
Deputy Clerk  
Council and Legislative Services  
Municipality of Grey Highlands



January 11, 2021

Premier Doug Ford  
Legislative Building, Queens Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

Speeding on provincial, county and municipal roadways continues to put the lives of Ontarians at risk. While we have access to several tools to help mitigate speeding traffic, the one tool that is currently not fully available to us is Automatic Speed Enforcement (ASE) (aka Photo Radar). Over the past decade, in South West Oxford the vast majority of charges laid are for drivers travelling well in excess of the posted speed limit. The cost of providing police time for something that could be done through the use of technology is disturbing to our council. The Council feels that it would be far more effective to have police concentrate on other problems such as Break and Enters, illegal drugs and domestic problems.

We need a way to address the poor behaviours and habits that are putting our citizens at risk and tying up much needed first responder resources that could be better utilized to improve the well-being of our communities. Speeding, particularly through our small villages, creates community concerns for the safety and wellbeing of our children and other vulnerable members. We need your help.

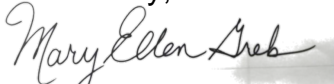
In keeping with this The Council of the Township of South-West Oxford duly moved and carried the following resolution at the regular meeting held on January 5, 2021:

*...RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of South-West Oxford provide direction to the Clerk to send a letter to the Premier, MPP Ernie Hardeman, AMO and all Ontario municipalities in support of the use of Automatic Speed Enforcement (photo radar) by municipalities.*

Please help municipalities in the Province by passing the necessary regulations for municipalities to use ASE (if they choose) that will bring about the driving behavioural changes we need.

We look forward to your help with this issue.

Yours truly,



Mary Ellen Greb, CAO

c.c. AMO, Honourable Ernie Hardeman, Ontario Municipalities



**Nando Iannicca**  
Regional Chair & CEO

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November 26, 2020

The Honourable Rod Phillips  
Minister of Finance  
95 Grosvenor St.  
Toronto, ON M7A 1Y8

Dear Minister Phillips:

**Re: Motion Regarding Property Tax Exemptions for Veteran Clubs**

Each year on November 11<sup>th</sup> we pause to remember the heroic efforts of Canadians who fought in wars and military conflicts and served in peacekeeping missions around the world to defend our freedoms and secure our peace and prosperity. One way that the Province and Ontario municipalities have recognized veterans and veteran groups is by exempting their properties from property taxation.

In late 2018, your government introduced a change to the *Assessment Act* that exempted Royal Canadian Legion Ontario branches from property taxes effective January 1, 2019. Veterans clubs however were not included under this exemption. While veterans' clubs in Peel are already exempt from Regional and local property taxes, they still pay the education portion of property taxes.

To address this gap, your government has proposed in the 2020 budget bill (*Bill 229*) to amend the *Assessment Act* that would provide a full property tax exemption to veterans' clubs retroactive to January 1, 2019. The Region of Peel thanks you for introducing this change in recognition of our veterans.

At its November 12, 2020 meeting, Peel Regional Council approved the attached resolution regarding this exemption and look forward to this change coming into effect as soon as possible after Bill 229 is passed. This would ensure that veteran clubs benefit from the exemption in a timely way.

I thank your government for moving quickly to address this gap and for your support of veterans.

Kindest personal regards,

Nando Iannicca,  
Regional Chair and CEO

CC: Peel-area MPPs  
Ontario Municipalities  
Stephen Van Ofwegen, Commissioner of Finance and CFO



**Nando Iannicca**  
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### **Resolution Number 2020-939**

Whereas each year on November 11, Canadians pause to remember the heroic efforts of Canadian veterans who fought in wars and military conflicts, and served in peacekeeping missions around the world to defend our freedoms and democracy so that we can live in peace and prosperity;

And whereas, it is important to appreciate and recognize the achievements and sacrifices of those armed forces veterans who served Canada in times of war, military conflict and peace;

And whereas, Section 6.1 of the Assessment Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. A31 as amended, Regional Council may exempt from Regional taxation land that is used and occupied as a memorial home, clubhouse or athletic grounds by persons who served in the armed forces of His or Her Majesty or an ally of His or Her Majesty in any war;

And whereas, through By-Law Number 62-2017 Regional Council has provided an exemption from Regional taxation to Royal Canadian Legions and the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans Clubs that have qualified properties used and occupied as a memorial home, clubhouse or athletic grounds;

And whereas, local municipal councils in Peel have provided a similar exemption for local property taxes;

And whereas, Royal Canadian Legion branches in Ontario are exempt from all property taxation, including the education portion of property taxes, under Section 3 (1) paragraph 15.1 of the Assessment Act, and that a municipal by-law is not required to provide such an exemption;

And whereas, the 2020 Ontario Budget provides for amendments to the Assessment Act to apply the existing property tax exemption for Ontario branches of the Royal Canadian Legion, for 2019 and subsequent tax years, to Ontario units of the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Regional Chair write to the Minister of Finance, on behalf of Regional Council, to request that upon passage of the 2020 Ontario Budget, the amendment to the Assessment Act be implemented as soon as possible;

And further, that copies of this resolution be sent to Peel-area Members of Provincial Parliament as well as to all Ontario municipalities for consideration and action.

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January 6, 2021

Dear Lisa Thompson,

Please be advised the Council of the Township of Huron-Kinloss at its regular meeting held on December 21, 2020 passed the following resolution;

Re: Copy of Resolution #788

Property Tax Exemptions for Veteran Clubs

Resolution No.: 788

Moved by: Jeff Elliott

Seconded by: Jim Hanna

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Council support the Region of Peel in their support for Property Tax Exemptions for Veteran Clubs and the proposed amendment to the 2020 budget bill (Bill 229) to amend the Assessment Act that would provide a full property tax exemption to veterans' clubs retroactive to January 1, 2019 AND FURTHER directs staff to forward a copy of this resolution to local members of Parliament and all Ontario Municipalities.

Carried

Sincerely,

Kelly Lush  
Deputy Clerk

c.c. Ontario Municipalities

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January 18, 2021

**Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing**17<sup>th</sup> Floor, 777 Bay Street

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**Attention: The Honourable Steve Clark**

Re: Request for Revisions to Municipal Elections

Dear Minister Clark,

On October 20, 2020 the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills passed a resolution in support of Wollaston Township to request the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to review the *Municipal Elections Act* and provide amendments to provide clearer, stronger wording, to assist municipal Clerks in addressing issues to allow for a more definitive decision to be made when adding names to the voters' list and to ensure that there is a clear and accessible way to report election fraud and that the rules described in the *Municipal Elections Act* are actually enforceable even if there is not a current case law.

A copy of the resolution is attached for your reference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Russell", written over a white background.

Jennifer Russell

Deputy Clerk

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cc. Premier Doug Ford, Daryl Kramp, AMO and all Ontario Municipalities

Attachment: Resolution No. 421-20



Mississippi  
Mills

## COUNCIL RESOLUTION

October 20, 2020

**Resolution No 421-20**

**Moved by** Deputy Mayor Minnille

**Seconded by** Councillor Dalgity

**CW148-20 Info List Item #6 - Request for Revisions to Municipal Elections**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon, Steve Clark, to review the Municipal Elections Act and provide amendments to ensure that loopholes are closed on any pay to play schemes in rural communities where non-resident electors are permitted to participate in elections so that \$100.00 leases do not turn into ballots for garden sheds;

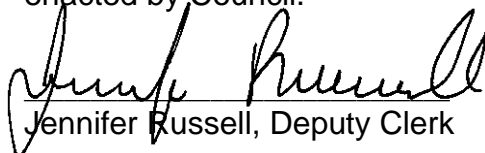
**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to review the Municipal Elections Act and provide amendments to provide clearer, stronger wording, to assist municipal Clerks in addressing issues to allow for a more definitive decision to be made when adding names to the voters' list;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to ensure that there is a clear and accessible way to report election fraud;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills ask the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Steve Clark, to ensure that the rules described in the Municipal Elections Act are actually enforceable even if there is not current case law;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that support for this resolution be sent to Premier Doug Ford, Daryl Kramp, M.P.P. for Hastings-Lennox and Addington, all Ontario Municipalities and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

I, Jennifer Russell, Deputy Clerk for the Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution enacted by Council.



Jennifer Russell, Deputy Clerk



The Corporation of the Township of Laird  
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Clerk-Treasurer  
January 19, 2021  
Phyllis L. MacKay, A.M.C.T.

Mayor  
Richard (Dick) Beitz

The Honourable Greg Rickford  
Minister of Energy, Northern Development  
& Mines and Minister of Indigenous Affairs  
Whitney Block, Room 5630  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 99 Wellesley St. W  
Toronto, ON M7A 1W1

Dear Minister Rickford:

***Re: Request for an Interim Cap on Gas Plant and Greenhouse Gas Pollution and the Development and Implementation of a Plan to Phase-Out Gas-Fired Electricity Generation (Item 10.2)***

Further to the attached correspondence received from the City of Hamilton dated November 24, 2020, this is to advise that Laird Council passed motion 144-20 on December 17, 2020 which stated the following:

“That council supports City of Hamilton in requesting the Provincial Government place an interim cap on 2.5mega tonnes per year on our gas plant and greenhouse gas pollution and develop and implement a plan to phase-out all gas-fired electricity generation to 2030 to ensure that Ontario meets its climate targets.”

If you require further information, please contact our office.

Yours truly,



Phyllis L. MacKay *FOR*  
Clerk-Treasurer

Enclosure

cc. The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Andrea Horwath, Opposition Party Leader, New Democratic Party of Ontario, M.P.P.  
Hamilton Centre  
Monique Taylor, M.P.P. Hamilton Mountain  
Paul Miller, M.P.P. Hamilton East-Stoney Creek  
Donna Skelly, M.P.P. Flamborough-Glanbrook  
Sandy Shaw, M.P.P. Hamilton West-Ancaster-Dundas  
Region of Waterloo  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario



November 24, 2020

The Honourable Greg Rickford  
Minister of Energy, Northern Development  
& Mines and Minister of Indigenous Affairs  
Whitney Block, Room 5630  
5th Floor, 99 Wellesley St. W.  
Toronto, ON M7A 1W1

Dear Minister Rickford:

At its meeting of November 11, 2020, Hamilton City Council approved Item 10 of the General Issues Committee Report 20-018, which reads as follows:

**10. Request for an Interim Cap on Gas Plant and Greenhouse Gas Pollution and the Development and Implementation of a Plan to Phase-Out Gas-Fired Electricity Generation (Item 10.2)**

WHEREAS, the Government of Ontario is planning to increase reliance on gas-fired electricity generation from Ontario's gas-fired power plants, which is anticipated to increase greenhouse gas (GHG) pollution by more than 300% by 2025 and by more than 400% by 2040;

WHEREAS, Canada's temperature is rising more than double the rate of the rest of the world (which is in alignment with climate models and projections impacting northern climates most significantly);

WHEREAS, the Province of Ontario will adversely impact more than a third of the greenhouse gas reductions it achieved by phasing-out its dirty coal-fired power plants, due to a power plan built around ramping up gas-fired generation to replace the output of the Pickering Nuclear Station (scheduled to close in 2024);

WHEREAS, alternative options are available to reversing short sighted cuts to energy efficiency programs and stop under-investing in this quick to deploy and low-cost resource, which include maximizing our energy efficiency efforts by paying up to the same price per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for energy efficiency measures as we are currently paying for power from nuclear plants (e.g., up to 9.5 cents per kWh);

WHEREAS, the Province of Ontario should continue to support renewable energy projects that have costs that are below what we are paying for nuclear power and work with communities to make the most of these economic opportunities;

WHEREAS, the Province of Ontario has alternative options to increasing gas-fired electricity generation, such as the Province of Quebec's offer to receive low-cost 24/7 power from its water powered reservoir system as a possible alternative;

Cap on Gas Plant and Greenhouse Gas Pollution  
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WHEREAS, a fossil-free electricity system is critically important to Hamilton's efforts to reduce GHG emissions by replacing fossil fuel use with electric vehicles, electric buses, electric heat pumps, and other steps dependent on a fossil-free electricity supply; and

WHEREAS, our staff have noted this problem in their report on Updated Timelines and SMART Corporate Goals and Areas of Focus for Climate Mitigation and Adaptation where they warn that "Unless the Province of Ontario changes direction on Ontario's fuel supply mix, it is expected natural gas, and therefore GHG emissions, may continue to increase as the nuclear facilities are refurbished and the Province of Ontario further supplements the electricity grid with natural gas inputs";

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That the City of Hamilton request the Government of Ontario to place an interim cap of 2.5 mega tonnes per year on our gas plant and greenhouse gas pollution and develop and implement a plan to phase-out all gas-fired electricity generation by 2030 to ensure that Ontario meets its climate targets; and,
- (b) That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, to the local MPP's, to the Region of Waterloo and local area municipalities.

Therefore, the City of Hamilton respectfully requests your consideration of this matter and looks forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Fred Eisenberger  
Mayor

Copied: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Andrea Horwath, Opposition Party Leader, New Democratic Party of Ontario,  
M.P.P. Hamilton Centre  
Monique Taylor, M.P.P. Hamilton Mountain  
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## TOWNSHIP OF LAIRD

**Motion Number:**144  
143-90**Date:** December 17, 2020**Moved by:**

TODD

**Seconded by:**

ED.

That council supports City of Hamilton in requesting the Provincial Government place an interim cap of 2.5mega tonnes per year on our gas plant and greenhouse gas pollution and develop and implement a plan to phase-out all gas-fired electricity generation to 2030 to ensure that Ontario meets its climate targets.

## RECORDED VOTE

For Motion

Against Motion

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Signed:


  
(Mayor)



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December 22, 2020

SENT VIA EMAIL

The City of St. Catharines  
P.O. Box 3012, 50 Church St.  
St. Catharines, ON L2R 7C2

Attention: Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, City Clerk ([bdunk@st.catharines.ca](mailto:bdunk@st.catharines.ca))

**RE: SUPPORT RESOLUTION FROM THE CITY OF ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO  
GAS FIRED POWER PLANTS**

Please be advised that Council for the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln at its Special Council Meeting held on December 21, 2020, endorsed and passed the following motion in support of the City of St. Catharines (attached) that was passed on November 30, 2020.

Moved by: Councillor Paul MacPherson; Seconded by: Councillor Greg Reimer

THAT Council for the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln support the correspondence item as attached from the City of St. Catharines, regarding Ontario Gas Fired Power Plants.

**CARRIED**

Regards,

Julie Kinkelos  
Town Clerk  
[jkinkelos@lincoln.ca](mailto:jkinkelos@lincoln.ca)

cc: The Honourable Doug Ford, M.P.P.  
Jennifer Stevens, MPP - St. Catharines, [JStevens-CO@ndp.on.ca](mailto:JStevens-CO@ndp.on.ca)  
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Niagara Region

Niagara Area Municipalities  
City of Hamilton  
City of Halton Hills  
City of Kitchener



December 9, 2020

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

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

**Re: Ontario Gas Fired Power Plants  
Our File 35.31.99**

Dear Premier Ford:

At its meeting held on November 30, 2020, St. Catharines City Council approved the following motion:

"WHEREAS the City of St. Catharines strategic plan focuses on livability and increased environmentally friendly initiatives; and

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario is planning to increase reliance on gas-fired electricity generation from Ontario's gas-fired power plants, which is anticipated to increase greenhouse gas pollution by more than 300% by 2025 and by more than 400% by 2040; and

WHEREAS Canada's temperature is rising more than double the rate of the rest of the world (which is in alignment with climate models and projections impacting northern climates most significantly); and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario will adversely impact more than a third of the greenhouse gas reductions it achieved by phasing-out its dirty coal-fired power plants due to a power plan built around ramping up gas-fired generation to replace the output of the Pickering Nuclear Station (scheduled to close in 2024); and

WHEREAS alternative options are available to reversing short sighted cuts to energy efficiency programs and stop under-investing in this quick to deploy and low-cost resource, which include maximizing our energy efficiency efforts by paying up to the same price per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for energy efficiency measures as we are currently paying for power from nuclear plants (e.g., up to 9.5 cents per kWh); and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario should continue to support renewable energy projects that have costs that are below what we are paying for nuclear power and work with communities to make the most of these economic opportunities; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has alternative options to increasing gas-fired electricity generation, such as the Province of Quebec's offer to receive low-cost 24/7 power from its water powered reservoir system as a possible alternative; and



WHEREAS, other municipalities such as Hamilton, Kitchener, and Halton Hills have called on the Province of Ontario to phase out gas fired power plants by 2030 for cleaner, renewable energy; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of St. Catharines requests the Government of Ontario to place an interim cap of 2.5 mega tonnes per year on our gas plants' greenhouse gas pollution and develop and implement a plan to phase-out all gas-fired electricity generation by 2030 to ensure that Ontario meets its climate targets; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, to the local MPPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Niagara Region, local area municipalities and the municipalities of Hamilton, Halton Hills and Kitchener."

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at extension 1524.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bonnie Nistico-Dunk".

Bonnie Nistico-Dunk, City Clerk  
Legal and Clerks Services, Office of the City Clerk  
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Cc Jennifer Stevens, MPP - St. Catharines, [JStevens-CO@ndp.on.ca](mailto:JStevens-CO@ndp.on.ca)  
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United Counties of  
**Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry**

**RESOLUTION**

**MOVED BY** Councillor McGillis

**RESOLUTION NO** 2021-04

**SECONDED BY** Councillor Warden

**DATE** January 18, 2021

THAT the Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry request that the Province of Ontario allow for small businesses to immediately reopen with the required health guidelines and protocols in place; and

THAT this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MPP Jim McDonnell, and circulated to all municipalities in Ontario.

☒ **CARRIED**

☐ **DEFEATED**

☐ **DEFERRED**

*Frank Prevost*  
WARDEN

**Recorded Vote:**

Councillor Armstrong	_____
Councillor Byvelds	_____
Councillor Fraser	_____
Councillor Gardner	_____
Councillor Landry	_____
Councillor MacDonald	_____
Councillor McGillis	_____
Councillor Prevost	_____
Councillor Smith	_____
Councillor Warden	_____
Councillor Wert	_____
Councillor Williams	_____



**From:** OSUM Communications <[communicate@amo.on.ca](mailto:communicate@amo.on.ca)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 19, 2021 2:11 PM

**Subject:** OSUM 2021 Conference Update



### **Notice of OSUM 2021 Annual Conference Cancellation**

At the recent meeting of the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) Executive Committee, a decision was made to cancel the 2021 Annual General Meeting and Conference scheduled to be held in Brant County in spring of this year. Due to the ongoing impact and uncertainty of COVID-19, the Executive Committee recognizes that moving ahead with the event was not feasible.

OSUM plans to connect with small urban municipal leaders through webinars and communications over 2021.

The Executive Committee wishes to acknowledge Brant County was set to host the 2021 Conference and that this decision is difficult and disappointing. OSUM will be discussing the schedule for the Annual Conference going ahead.

Stay tuned for updates from the OSUM Executive Committee.





January 7, 2021

### In This Issue

- Maple Medical to help AMO members/communities by donating certified PPEs.
- Important deadlines coming for broadband funding.
- Provincial survey: Seeking feedback to improve the towing industry.
- Three weeks until ROMA 2021 and there is still time to register!
- New lighting incentives for LED upgrades.
- Spring Road/Sidewalk Assessments ready to book.
- LAS Blog: Accessible websites.
- Energy Training in an era of social distancing.
- Keeping up-to-date with LAS.
- Careers with United Counties of Leeds & Grenville, Greater Sudbury and Ottawa.

### AMO Matters

Maple Medical will donate 20 million certified 3 ply disposable face masks, over 100k bottles of sanitizer and disinfectant wipes to frontline workers and any low income/vulnerable individuals. For information email Savdah Manjra, VP Sales, or call 647.501.1553.

Deadlines are fast-approaching for applications to the Improving Connectivity in Ontario (ICON) program and the federal Universal Broadband Fund (UBF). For information on ICON, contact [ICONprogram@ontario.ca](mailto:ICONprogram@ontario.ca), or [get-connected@canada.ca](mailto:get-connected@canada.ca) for information on the UBF.

### Provincial Matters

The Province is seeking feedback on challenges when using towing services, to improve towing industry oversight and inform a regulatory model. The survey is open until January 15, 2021.

### Eye on Events

The ROMA Conference is a key moment for municipal and provincial officials to connect on the unique challenges faced by rural municipalities. The program features plenary sessions and workshops touching on everything from the economic recovery to health care, broadband and environmental matters. Register here.

### LAS

LAS makes it easy to take advantage of IESO's new lighting incentives when you participate in our turn-key Facility Lighting Service program. Contact Christian Tham

for a free budget proposal.

A Road and/or Sidewalk Assessment through LAS can help your municipality spend infrastructure dollars wisely. Contact us to learn how better data saves money and improves service levels. Now booking assessments for Spring 2021.

AMO has partnered with eSolutionsGroup to offer easy, affordable, accessible websites to municipalities. This week's LAS Blog discusses solutions for your website in light of the new AODA requirements.

Social distancing may have affected the way we work and learn, but every challenge has a solution. Our custom Energy Workshops are available online and include a virtual energy hunt! Sign-up today - winter dates are still available.

Did you know the LAS home page is updated on a regular basis? Visit often to learn more about our programs, read the blog, and view our webinar archives.

### **Careers**

Chief Administrative Officer - United Counties of Leeds and Grenville. To explore this opportunity please apply via email by January 19th, 2021 to [careers@waterhousesearch.ca](mailto:careers@waterhousesearch.ca) quoting project LG-CAO. Should you wish to speak to our Executive Recruiter or review the detailed job description please contact Jon Stungevicius at 416-214-9299 x1, or Amy Oliveira at 416-214-9299 x4.

Director of Land Use Planning Services - City of Greater Sudbury. Reports to General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure. For more information on this exciting opportunity, please visit Greater Sudbury Current Opportunities. Please indicate competition number EX20-590 \*revised on your application. Qualified candidates should submit their resumes in confidence by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 29, 2021. Applicants may email or fax their resume to [hrjobs@greatersudbury.ca](mailto:hrjobs@greatersudbury.ca) or 705.688.3979.

Director, Public Safety, Emergency & Protective Services - City of Ottawa. Reports to General Manager, Emergency and Protective Services. To explore this opportunity further, please contact Joanne McMullin at Odgers Berndtson at [Joanne.McMullin@odgersberndtson.com](mailto:Joanne.McMullin@odgersberndtson.com) or submit your resume and letter of interest online to Odgers Berndtson Opportunities by January 29, 2021.

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January 14, 2021

### **In This Issue**

- AMO signs MOU with Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres.
- The Rural Economic Development program now open.
- Don't regret missing ROMA 2021.
- Second chance for Energy Reporting.
- Municipal Group Buying Program balloons to 150 participants!
- Careers: Simcoe, Durham, Amherstburg, Nipigon, Algonquin Highlands & Machin.

### **AMO Matters**

In late 2020, AMO and the OFIFC signed an MOU that brings both organizations to the table on issues that matter to our communities. The MOU will help strengthen the relationship between Ontario's Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.

### **Provincial Matters**

The Rural Economic Development program is now open and accepting applications. To be eligible for the program you must be: a municipality; a not-for-profit entity; an Ontario Indigenous community or organization; a Local Services Board. This intake will close on February 1, 2021.

### **Eye on Events**

Ministers' Forums, political analysis, Zone meet ups, concurrent sessions digging into the biggest issues your communities face are all on the ROMA agenda. With a little over a week to register, don't think twice, register here.

### **LAS**

Did you miss the O.Reg. 507/18 annual energy reporting deadline last year? The portal may be closed, but the Ministry of Energy will still accept your 2018 consumption data. Simply email your organization's report or any questions you might have to BPSsupport@ontario.ca. Next deadline is July 1, 2021 to report on 2019 consumption data.

The number of participants in the Municipal Group Buying Program exploded from 14 to 150 in 2020! We're thrilled to see how our municipalities have embraced this program and glad we can help save time and money on the things you buy every day. Contact us for more information.

### **Careers**

Manager, Public Housing - County of Simcoe. Reports to: Director, Social Housing. Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time. Reference Code: 1018. Location Midhurst. Closing Date: January 25, 2021. View the job description and submit your application online at [County of Simcoe](#).

Manager of the Rapid Transit Office (RTO) - Region of Durham. The Region of Durham is the fastest growing area in the Greater Golden Horseshoe. The Region understands Rapid Transit is key to accommodate this growth, and connects people to opportunities in a sustainable way. Job ID 13894. Close Date: January 29, 2021. To apply, please visit Durham Region [Job Postings](#).

Planner (Temporary Full-Time) - Town of Amherstburg. Position Term: Up to 2 years. Reports to: Manager of Planning Services. Visit Employment Opportunities on the [Town's website](#) for a detailed job description. Qualified applicants are invited to submit a resume no later than Monday, February 1, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. to [resumes@amherstburg.ca](mailto:resumes@amherstburg.ca).

Treasurer - Township of Nipigon. Interested applicants are invited to review the Treasurer-Tax Collector job description on the Township of Nipigon's [website](#) and forward resumes marked "Confidential" prior to 12 noon on Friday, February 5, 2021 by regular mail, personal delivery or email to: Attention: Kelly Paakkunainen, CAO/Clerk, Township of Nipigon, 52 Front Street, PO Box 160, Nipigon, Ontario P0T 2J0. Email: [kellyp@nipigon.net](mailto:kellyp@nipigon.net).

Operations Manager - Township of Algonquin Highlands. Reports to the Chief Administrative Officer. Please visit the Township's [website](#) for the full job description. Please submit your cover letter and resume in confidence mark" to: Dawn Mugford-Guay, Human Resources Coordinator, Township of Algonquin Highlands, 1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1. Email: [dmugfordguay@algonquinhighlands.ca](mailto:dmugfordguay@algonquinhighlands.ca).

Economic Development Officer - Municipality of Machin. Employment Start Date: February 1, 2021. Position Status: full-time, 3 year contract. Deadline: Posting will remain open until a suitable candidate has been selected. Direct Applications to: The Municipality of Machin, Attn: Tammy Rob, Box 249, Vermilion Bay, ON P0V 2V0 Email: [clerktreasurer@visitmachin.com](mailto:clerktreasurer@visitmachin.com), Phone: 807.227.2633 ext.22, Fax: 807.227.5443.

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January 21, 2021

### **In This Issue**

- Professional Engineers Ontario adopts Notarius digital signatures.
- ROMA 2021 Conference.
- Important information for registered ROMA delegates!
- Notice of OSUM 2021 Annual Conference cancellation.
- Automotive Parts Supply: Municipal Group Buying webinar.
- Overcoming boredom during lockdown - LAS must-see shows.
- Kraft Hockeyville nominations open: Deadline to submit your story is February 14.
- Careers: Springwater, Sarnia, Brock, Amherstburg and London.

### **AMO Matters**

Professional engineers can now use Notarius technology to apply a regulator-issued digital signature to engineering documents. AMO is pleased to learn that our partner's digital signing solutions is now available to municipal engineers in good standing to securely sign documents remotely while maintaining the integrity of documents.

### **Eye on Events**

Now only days away, the ROMA Conference will engage you in key issues on the municipal radar for 2021. Join your colleagues in getting in front of what is shaping up to be another extraordinary year.

On Friday, January 22, you will receive an email with your ROMA Conference registration information, including: a link to access the conference, your unique credentials to log in and a link to a demo video on how to use the conference platform. You will be able to access the platform on Sunday, January 24.

At the recent meeting of the Ontario Small Urban Municipalities (OSUM) Executive Committee, a decision was made to cancel the 2021 Annual General Meeting and Conference scheduled to be held in Brant County in spring of this year due to the ongoing impact and uncertainty of COVID-19. OSUM plans to connect with small urban municipal leaders through webinars and communications over 2021.

### **LAS**

Webinar February 10 at 10 am: We're excited to add Automotive Parts Supply to our Municipal Group Buying Program. Register here to learn more about this new category and its supplier, NAPA Auto Parts. Save time and money while keeping your fleet on the move.



Staying entertained during a pandemic can be a bit of a challenge. [Check out this week's blog](#) to see which shows LAS staff are watching to keep boredom at bay.

### **Municipal Wire\***

The Township of Lucan, Ontario [won the Kraft Hockeyville competition](#) in 2018. The grand prize winner will have an opportunity to host an NHL preseason game and receive \$250,000 for arena upgrades. Three-runner up communities will get \$10,000 to purchase new hockey equipment for their minor hockey programs. To submit a nomination visit the [Kraft Hockeyville website](#).

### **Careers**

[General Manager, Infrastructure & Operational Services - Township of Springwater](#). Reports to the Chief Administrative Officer. Apply online by visiting [Springwater Careers](#) and click on Apply Now to submit your cover letter and resume for Competition Number 2021-01. Closing Date: January 29, 2021. Note: Applications that are not submitted online will not be considered.

[Elections Manager - City of Sarnia](#). Reporting directly to the City Clerk, the successful incumbent will provide leadership in the preparation, coordination and management of all related activities for the 2022 Municipal Election. This is a contract position for a period of up to two (2) years. Candidates are invited to submit a resume in confidence to [hr@sarnia.ca](mailto:hr@sarnia.ca) indicating "2021-04 – Elections Manager" by February 3, 2021.

[Director, Community & Protective Services - Town of Amherstburg](#). This position is responsible for the oversight of the Town's Parks and Naturalized Areas, Recreation Services, Tourism and Culture, Municipal Facilities, and Fire Services divisions. For a detailed job description, visit Careers on the [Town's website](#). Please submit a resume with a cover letter to Michelle Rose, Manager of Human Resources at [resumes@amherstburg.ca](mailto:resumes@amherstburg.ca) on or before 4:30 p.m., February 9, 2021.

[Director of Finance & Treasurer - Township of Brock](#). This job posting, and the job description (to be updated), are available at [Township of Brock Careers](#). Interested applicants are invited to submit a cover letter and resume, which clearly describe how the candidate meets the qualifications, marked confidential, by no later than 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2021 to: Dean Hustwick, Chief Administrative Officer, [hr@townshipofbrock.ca](mailto:hr@townshipofbrock.ca).

[Director, Planning & Development Services - Town of Amherstburg](#). This position is responsible for the oversight of the Town's Planning, Building Services, Licensing and Enforcement divisions, and for the administration of the Town's police services portfolio. For a detailed job description, visit Careers on the [Town's website](#). Please submit a resume with a cover letter to Michelle Rose, Manager of Human Resources at [resumes@amherstburg.ca](mailto:resumes@amherstburg.ca) on or before 4:30 p.m., February 9, 2021.

Director, Anti-Racism & Anti-Oppression Unit - City of London. To view the full Position Brief, please visit KCI Talent. For more information about this exciting leadership opportunity, please contact Ellie Rusonik, Associate Vice President, Search + Talent or Samantha David, Senior Search Consultant at KCI (Ketchum Canada Inc.) via email at CityofLondon@kcitalent.com. Please send a resume and letter of interest to the email address in previous sentence by February 15, 2021. All inquiries and applications will be held in strict confidence.

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