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February 18, 2014

Township of Puslinch His Worship Dennis Lever 7404 Wellington Road 34 RR 3 Guelph ON N1H 6H9 Ministère de la Sécurité communautaire et des Services correctionnels

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Dear Mayor Lever:

The Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management (OFMEM) has conducted an annual review of your municipal emergency management program and its elements. Municipalities are required, in accordance with the *Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act* (EMCPA) to provide the following:

Municipal emergency management programs

2.1 (1) Every municipality shall develop and implement an emergency management program and the council of the municipality shall by by-law adopt the emergency management program. 2002, c. 14, s. 4.

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- (2) The emergency management program shall consist of,
- (a) an emergency plan as required by section 3;
- (b) training programs and exercises for employees of the municipality and other persons with respect to the provision of necessary services and the procedures to be followed in emergency response and recovery activities;
- (c) public education on risks to public safety and on public preparedness for emergencies; and
- (d) any other element required by the standards for emergency management programs set under section 14. 2002, c. 14, s. 4.

Based on our review of your emergency management program and its elements, your municipality has complied with all of the following requirements of the EMCPA:

Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC) appointed (O.Reg.380/04,s.10(1))



CEMC completed the required training (O.Reg.380/04,s.10(2))	~
The Municipality Emergency Management Program Committee met once this year (O. Reg. 380/04, s.11 (6))	~
Current by-law for the municipality's adoption of its emergency management program (EMCPA s. 2.1(1))	~
Municipal Community Risk Profile reviewed by the Emergency Management Program Committee (EMCPA s. 2.1(3))	~
Municipality's Emergency Response Plan reviewed and the most current copy submitted to EMO (EMCPA s.3(1), s.3(6) s. 6.2 (1))	~
Current by-law for the municipality's Emergency Response Plan? (EMCPA s. 3(1))	~
Municipal Emergency Operations Centre designated (O.Reg.380/04,s.13 (1))	V
Municipality's EOC communications system deemed to be appropriate (O. Reg. 380/04,s.13 (2))	~
Municipality's Critical Infrastructure reviewed by the Emergency Management Program Committee (EMCPA s. 2.1 (3))	~
Four (4) hours of annual municipal training conducted for the Municipal Emergency Control Group, staff and others identified in the ER Plan (EMCPA s.2.1(2), O. Reg. 380/04,s.12 (3))	~
Municipal annual Exercise for the Municipal Emergency Control Group, staff and others identified in the ER Plan (EMCPA s.2.1(2), O.Reg.380/04 s. 12 (6))	~
Municipal designated employee appointed to act as Emergency Information Officer (O.Reg.380/04, s. 14 (1))	~
Public Education Strategy completed (EMCPA s. 2.1 (2c))	~
Municipality's Emergency Management Program Committee conducted an Annual Review of the Program (O.Reg.380/04,s.11 (6)	~

OFMEM staff are available to further discuss this review, as well as to provide you with ongoing advice and assistance to enhance the delivery of emergency management programming in your municipality.

Sincerely,

Tadeusz (Ted) Wieclawek Fire Marshal of Ontario, and

Chief of Emergency Management

c. Karen Landry, Municipal Clerk
Linda Dickson Community Emergency Management Coordinator
Drew Maddison Sector Field Officer

Ministry of Natural Resources

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(This is a printed copy of the e-mail that was sent February 25, 2014.)

His Worship Dennis Lever
Mayor of the Township of Puslinch
Chair of Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario
7404 Wellington Road 34, RR 3
Guelph ON N1H 6H9

Dear Mayor Lever:

Township of Puslinch

In October 2013, the Standing Committee on General Government tabled a report with 38 recommendations on the *Aggregate Resources Act*. On February 20, 2014, Ontario released its response, which outlines a collaborative approach to find solutions with municipalities, stakeholders and Aboriginal communities that support the Committee's recommendations. Our plan undertakes measures in a number of areas: new applications, site plan changes, protection of water and farmland, rehabilitation, recycling and fees.

This spring, we will be inviting key stakeholders to help shape the future management of our province's vital aggregate resources by working toward finding balanced and informed solutions for the management of Ontario's pits and quarries. We hope to work with you on solutions that will address:

- The application process for new pits and quarries and applications for changes to existing sites;
- Barriers and incentives to increase the use of recycled aggregate materials;
- Information resources to support better rehabilitation, through our rehabilitation working group;
- Increasing and standardizing fees equitably to support the sustainable management of aggregate resources; and
- Assessing impacts to water resources, including how to incorporate cumulative impact assessments.

We will be contacting you in the coming weeks to schedule discussions with your organization on these subjects. We hope that you'll be willing to share your expertise and opinions with us.

For more information on our current aggregate resource policies, please visit ontario.ca/aggregates.

We've also enclosed some text about our response that we encourage you to share.

Content to share:

Ontario has released its response to the Standing Committee on General Government's report on the *Aggregate Resources Act*. It outlines how the provincial government plans to work collaboratively with municipal and stakeholder organizations and interested Aboriginal communities to find solutions that support the Committee's recommendations.

The province will be inviting the public to help shape the future management of aggregate resources through a consultation later this year. Learn more about Ontario's policies at ontario.ca/aggregates.

Sincerely,

David Orazietti

Minister of Natural Resources

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Mr. Don Creed Director, Public Works and Parks Township of Puslinch 7404 Wellington Road #34, R.R. # Guelph, ON N1H 6H9 Dear Mr. Creed:	.G.# 3	RECEIVED FEB 2 1 2014 Township of Puslinch	CLERK'S DEPARTMENT TO Copy Please Handle For Your Information Council Agenda

GTA West Transportation Corridor Route Planning and Environmental Assessment Study, Stage 2 RE: **Notice of Study Commencement**

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has initiated Stage 2 of the Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the GTA West Transportation Corridor. Building on the recommendations from Stage 1, the EA Study continues with a focus on identifying the route and developing the preliminary design for a new transportation corridor within the previously identified Route Planning Study Area (refer to attached map). The new transportation corridor will include: a 400-series highway, a transitway, and potential goods movement priority features. As part of the study, a preferred route and interchange locations will be selected and developed.

The GTA West Transportation Corridor is vital towards providing the transportation infrastructure to meet the projected growth in both population and employment identified in the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe (2006) and will deliver multiple benefits, including:

- Greater connectivity between urban growth centres;
- Enhanced people and goods movement;
- Improved commuting; and,
- Greater economic vitality.

The GTA West Corridor Route Planning and EA study is being undertaken as an Individual EA in accordance with the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act (EA Act) and the GTA West Corridor Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference, which was approved by the Ontario Minister of the Environment on March 4, 2008.

This new transportation corridor is only one component of the full suite of multi-modal recommendations that are included in the Transportation Development Strategy (TDS) developed as part of Stage 1. These recommendations also included transit improvements, transportation demand management measures, opportunities to optimize the existing transportation system, as well as widening of several key provincial facilities in the western GTA. These recommendations are being

Public involvement is encouraged and Public Information Centers (PICs) and Community Workshops will be held throughout the study. Notices advising of the time and location of the PICs will be published in local and regional newspapers and advertised on the study website (www.gta-west.com).

The purpose of this letter is to notify your organization of study commencement. Please indicate whether your organization has an interest in this project, who will act as our main contact, and any preliminary thoughts you may have on issues that should be considered. A response by March 31, 2014 would be appreciated. A stakeholder comment form is attached to facilitate your response.











Should you require further information on the study, please feel free to contact Ms. Natalie Rouskov, Project Manager with the Ministry of Transportation, at 416-235-4977, or Mr. Neil Ahmed, the Consultant Project Manager, at 905-823-8500. You may also contact the Project Team at project team@gta-west.com, or via the "Contact Us" section of our project website at www.gta-west.com.

Thank you in advance for your continued cooperation and assistance.

Sincerely,

Ms. Natalie Rouskov, P. Eng.

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MTO Project Manager

Ontario Ministry of Transportation, Central Region

Mr. Neil Ahmed, P. Eng. Consultant Project Manager MMM Group Ltd. GTA W

Attach.

cc.: Karen Landry, CAO/Clerk, Township of Puslinch Hans Groh, P.Eng., Gamsby and Mannerow Engineers on behalf of the Township of Puslinch







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March 3, 2014

Ms. Karen Landry CAO/Clerk Township of Puslinch 7404 Wellington Road 34 RR 3 Guelph, ON N1H 6H9

Dear Ms. Landry:

I am pleased to provide you with the proposed Performance Indicators for the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2006. The document outlines a series of proposed indicators to measure implementation of Growth Plan policies.

The development of proposed performance indicators is an important milestone in the ongoing work of implementing the Growth Plan. Understanding how the policies are being implemented and assessing progress is a priority for the Province and forms a key part of an evidence-based approach to policy development.

The proposed indicators are being released for consultation until April 30, 2014 and I invite you to attend one of four workshops that the Ministry of Infrastructure will be holding across the region. Your input and ideas will help us refine this work moving forward.

- Tuesday, March 18' from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m Newmarket Community Centre, 200 Doug Duncan Drive, Newmarket
- Thursday, March 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m Innovation Guelph, 111 Farguhar Street, Guelph
- Tuesday, March 25 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m Art Gallery of Hamilton Design Annex, 118 James Street North, Hamilton
- Thursday, March 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m Ontario Investment and Trade Centre, 250 Yonge St, 35th Floor, Toronto

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Please contact the Ontario Growth Secretariat at placestogrow@ontario.ca to register.

For more information, or to access an electronic copy of the more detailed technical report, please visit the Places to Grow website at www.placestogrow.ca.

I look forward to continuing to engage with you on implementation of the Growth Plan, including the upcoming mandated 10 year review of the Plan.

Sincerely,

Glen Murray Minister

Enclosure

From: AMO Communications [mailto:communicate@amo.on.ca]

Sent: March-06-14 10:21 AM

To: Karen Landry

Subject: AMO Breaking News - Province Proposes Provincial Oversight of Municipal Government

TO THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF THE CLERK AND COUNCIL

1.G.# 5

Wynne Government Embraces Provincial Oversight of Municipal Government

Today, Ontario's Premier, Kathleen Wynne, stated that her government intends to create new municipal accountability measures and assert greater Provincial oversight over municipal government.

Municipalities would be required to either create new processes to review complaints about service delivery, or choose to have service complaints investigated by the Office of Ontario's Ombudsman, Andre Marin. Furthermore, municipal service complaint processes and investigations carried out by anyone other than the Provincial Ombudsman, could be subjected to "review" by his office.

We will share further details about these proposals as they become available.

AMO fully supports efficient and credible oversight of municipal services and governance. Public trust, accountability, transparency and integrity strengthen municipal government. However, AMO rejects the Wynne Government's vision of how best to achieve it.

The Ontario Government would layer Provincial oversight and new administrative processes on municipal government. It represents duplication and inefficiency, and importantly, it suggests that Wynne's Government does not trust in the capacity of municipal government to expose and address questions about performance and integrity.

No one knows what it would cost municipal government to fulfill these new responsibilities. But new costs are inevitable, the administrative burden is likely to be substantial, and municipalities and their citizens should expect more red tape.

Assigning oversight authority to the Office of the Ontario Ombudsman, a provincial appointee who is based at Queen's Park and who reports to Ontario's Legislature, has the effect of transferring local municipal accountability to the Province. AMO is curious to see whether the opposition Conservatives and New Democrats will support that, or reject the invitation to micromanage municipal government.

Municipalities are committed to accountability and transparency. Public trust is one of our greatest assets. A municipal government that lacks public trust has every reason to earn it, and good government is best served when local municipalities meet that goal independently.

Over the past decade, the Ontario Government and municipal governments have respected one another as willing, able and capable partners. AMO wants the Wynne Government, and opposition leaders, to be clear about their vision for future provincial and municipal relations, and the capacity of municipal government. Our vision has not changed: municipalities are looking for leadership that partners with municipal government, respects them, and believes in them.

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From: Nicholas Schulz [mailto:nschulz@cornerstonestandards.ca]

Sent: February-24-14 4:50 PM

Subject: Extension of consultation period on CSC's draft Responsible Aggregate Standards until March

21, 2014.

In response to a number of requests from various stakeholders Cornerstone Standards Council (CSC) has decided to extend the consultation period for its Draft Responsible Aggregate Standards to March 21, 2014. The additional two weeks of consultation are intended to address concerns that the document is quite substantial and that additional time to review and compile comments would allow more meaningful comments to be made. We encourage stakeholders to take this additional time to visit www.cornerstonestanards.ca, download the draft Standards and provide comments to comments@cornerstonestandards.ca by 4:00PM on March 21, 2014.

For more information or if you have any questions or concerns please contact Nicholas Schulz at nschulz@cornerstonestandards.ca or 647-883-2719.





Warren Mar Director Legal and Legislative Services/Town Solicitor 905-727-3123 ext. 4758 wmar@aurora.ca

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

February 21, 2014

Randy Hillier, MPP Lanark-Frontenac-Lennox & Addington 4 Market Square Napanee, ON K7R 1J3

1.G.# 7

Dear Mr. Hillier:

Re: Introduction of Municipal Recall Election Legislation

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its meeting held on February 11, 2014 and in this regard Council adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS there are few means to remove an elected official from office other than through the election process; and

WHEREAS the time between municipal election periods has grown to four years; and

WHEREAS significant damage can be caused in a four-year period should an elected official act to the detriment of the municipality; and

WHEREAS it is not the most effective use of time for municipal representatives to police one another through Codes of Conduct and Integrity Commissioners; and

WHEREAS the penalties that can be imposed through Codes of Conduct are relatively minor; and

WHEREAS there is a problem with Codes of Conduct and Integrity Commissioners being used for political purposes; and

WHEREAS Codes of Conduct have proven ineffective in curtailing detrimental behaviour; and

WHEREAS establishing Codes of Conduct and employing Integrity Commissioners can be an expensive endeavour; and



WHEREAS the detrimental behaviour of some elected officials reflects poorly upon all elected officials, especially if they are not held accountable for this behaviour; and

WHEREAS it is incumbent upon all elected representatives to maintain a high standard of integrity; and

WHEREAS Progressive Conservative MPP Randy Hillier has introduced a Private Member's Bill to introduce recall elections for provincially-elected officials but omits municipally-elected officials.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Town of Aurora formally requests that the Government of Ontario consider the implementation of recall legislation for municipally-elected officials; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to every municipality in the province of Ontario for endorsement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to every Member of Provincial Parliament in the province of Ontario.

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

Yours truly,

Warren Mar.

Director Legal & Legislative Services/Town Solicitor/Acting Town Clerk

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Every MPP in Ontario

Mr. Geoffrey Dawe, Mayor, Town of Aurora Mr. Paul Pirri, Councillor, Town of Aurora





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The following resolution was adopted by Council of The Regional Niagara at their regular meeting held on January 16, 2014:	Municipality of DEPARTMENT	
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WHEREAS the province's recently released Long Term Energy Plan anticipates that consumers will face hydro rates that will rise by 42% over the next five (5) years;

WHEREAS the Minister of Energy recently announced that past FIT prices are driving electricity prices higher and that changes to domestic content requirements for construction of future renewable energy projects are necessary to lower future electricity rates;

WHEREAS the recent auditor-general's report advised of extreme amounts of waste in the energy sector, particularly at Ontario Power Generation and Hydro One, due to high labour costs and generous public sector pension plans;

WHEREAS decisions including but not limited to the cancellation of gas plants in Ontario could cost taxpayers close to \$1.1 billion;

WHEREAS it is essential for the residents and businesses of Niagara to have access to affordable hydro to thrive and prosper;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Regional Municipality of Niagara **CALL ON** Premier Wynne and the Province of Ontario to take immediate action to prevent these and any other rate increases from being implemented; and

That this motion BE CIRCULATED to all Ontario municipalities for support.

Cc: The Association of Municipalities of Ontario All Municipalities in Ontario



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