



Town of Newmarket Council Information Package

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None.



January 15, 2025

Good Roads
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Oakville, ON L6J 0B2

Sent via email: info@goodroads.ca

To whom it may concern:

Re: 2025-25

Please be advised that the following resolution was passed at the January 15, 2025 meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

2025-25

That Council receive the Good Road Letter - Establishment of an Ontario Rural Road Safety Program for information; and

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

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

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

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

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

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

Further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency

The Municipality of Grey Highlands

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**Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and
Further that this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.
CARRIED.**

If you require anything further, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

Amanda Fines-Vanalstine

Amanda Fines-VanAlstine
Manager of Legislative Services/Municipal Clerk
Municipality of Grey Highlands



Legal and Legislative Services

January 28, 2025

The Honourable Doug Ford
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The Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
House of Commons
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Honourable and Dear Sirs,

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its meeting of January 27, 2025 received and supported correspondence from the Town of Aurora dated November 27, 2024 requesting the Province to redistribute the Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding.

Attached please find a copy of the Town of Aurora correspondence dated November 27, 2024.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Kind regards,

Ashlea Carter,
Acting Manager, Legislative Services/Town Clerk
acarter@forterie.ca

AC:dlk

Encl.

c.c: The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance peter.bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org
The Honourable Paul Calendra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing paul.calandra@pc.ola.org
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November 27, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada

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

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario

premier@ontario.ca

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Premier Ford:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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BY COUNCIL

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,



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

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Attachment (Council meeting extract)

Town of Aurora Council Resolution of November 26, 2024
Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to
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Copy: Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Ontario Minister of Finance
Hon. Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Leah Taylor Roy, MP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill
Tony Van Bynen, MP Newmarket—Aurora
Dawn Gallagher Murphy, MPP Newmarket—Aurora
Hon. Michael Parsa, MPP Aurora—Oak Ridges—Richmond Hill
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Town of Aurora

Council Meeting Extract

Tuesday, November 26, 2024

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

Moved by Councillor Weese

Seconded by Councillor Thompson

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

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

Carried (7 to 0)

8.9 Member Motions

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

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

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

Carried



RE: Land-Transfer Tax and GST

JANUARY 09, 2025

Honourable and Dear Sirs,

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Township of Limerick at its meeting of December 16, 2024 received and supported correspondence from the Town of Aurora dated November 27, 2024 requesting the Province to redistribute the Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding. The Township of Limerick has passed a motion of support for this request.

Attached please find a copy of the Town of Aurora correspondence dated November 27, 2024.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Kind regards,

Victoria Tisdale

Clerk-Treasurer

Township of Limerick

Encl.

c.c: The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance

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The Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

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Member Motion 8.9.1 - Mayor Mrakas; Re: Request the Redistribution of the
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Infrastructure Funding**

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

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The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

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Town of Aurora

Council Meeting Extract

Tuesday, November 26, 2024

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

Moved by Councillor Weese

Seconded by Councillor Thompson

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

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3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

Carried



GEORGINA

January 29, 2025

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Prime Minister Justin Trudeau,
House of Commons,
OTTAWA, Ontario K1A 0A6

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau:

Re: Redistribution of Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities for sustainable infrastructure funding

Please be advised that Council for the Corporation of the Town of Georgina considered correspondence from the Regional Municipality of York outlining its position regarding Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST and passed the following motion:

RESOLUTION NO. C-2025-0010

That Council receive and support the position of the Region of York as follows;

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

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

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

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

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

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

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance; Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Scot Davidson, York-Simcoe MP; Caroline Mulroney, MPP, and York Region municipalities for their endorsement advocacy.

Thank you for your consideration of this position.

Sincerely,
FOR THE TOWN OF GEORGINA,



Carolyn Lance
Council Services Coordinator

cc:

Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, premier@ontario.ca

Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance, peter.bethlenfalvyco@pc.ola.org

Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, paul.calandra@pc.ola.org

Scot Davidson, York-Simcoe MP, scot.davidson@parl.gc.ca

Caroline Mulroney, MPP, caroline.mulroneyco@parl.ola.org

York Region Municipalities



The Municipality of Dysart et al

Regular Council Resolution

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Motion #25-35

Moved by Tammy Donaldson

Seconded by Pat Casey

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

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

1. Now therefore be it resolved that Dysart et al Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and
2. Further that Dysart et al Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Further that this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

4. Further that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, MP Jamie Schmale and MPP Laurie Scott; and
5. Further that copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.


Carried

Defeated

Deferred



Murray Fearrey, Mayor



Mallory Bishop, Clerk



The Town of The Blue Mountains
Council Meeting

Title: Tom Mrakas, Mayor, Town of Aurora

Date: Monday, January 27, 2025

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives and supports the correspondence of Tom Mrakas, Mayor, Town of Aurora Re: November 5, 2024 Resolution regarding request of the redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding as noted below:

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

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

AND THAT Council directs staff to circulate the resolution to the 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of

Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and local MP and MPP offices, for their endorsement and advocacy.

YES: 7

NO: 0

CONFLICT: 0

ABSENT: 0

The motion is Carried

YES: 7

Mayor Matrosovs
Councillor Maxwell

Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Councillor McKinlay

Councillor Ardiel
Councillor Porter

Councillor Hope

NO: 0

CONFLICT: 0

ABSENT: 0

From: De Bartolo, Betty <BDeBartolo@aurora.ca> on behalf of Mrakas, Tom <TMrakas@aurora.ca>
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2024 6:26:10 PM
To: Mrakas, Tom <TMrakas@aurora.ca>
Subject: Follow-Up: Join Over 50 Municipalities Supporting Sustainable Funding for Our Communities

Dear Elected Official,

I'm reaching out again regarding the motion calling on the province to redistribute part of the Land Transfer Tax and the federal government to share a portion of the GST on new home sales. This initiative is critical to securing predictable and sustainable funding for our municipalities, enabling us to address infrastructure needs without over-reliance on property taxes.

I'm pleased to share that over 50 municipalities have already passed this motion, demonstrating widespread support for this important cause. As a result, you may soon notice resolutions related to this initiative appearing on your agenda from other municipalities.

If your Council has not yet adopted this motion, I strongly encourage you to introduce it for consideration. Standing together as municipalities across the province will amplify our message to the Provincial and Federal Governments and show them the urgency and unity behind this request.

Thank you again to those who have already passed the motion. Your leadership is helping pave the way for meaningful change. For those still considering, I have attached a copy of the motion. If you have any question, I would be happy to answer any questions to assist you.

Together, we can ensure a stronger financial future for all our municipalities.

Regards,

Tom Mrakas

Mayor Town of Aurora

416-543-1624



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Member Motion

Mayor's Office

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

To: Members of Council

From: Mayor Tom Mrakas

Date: November 5, 2024

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



February 5, 2025

To Whom it May Concern,

Re: Proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian Goods

Please note at their Regular meeting held on February 5, 2025, Peterborough County Council passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. 19-2025

Moved by Deputy Warden Senis
Seconded by Warden Clark

Whereas the federal government is currently in negotiations with the U.S. government on their proposed 25% tariffs on Canadian goods exported to the U.S.; and

Whereas Premier Doug Ford has outlined several plans to combat the impact the proposed tariffs would have on Ontario including Fortress Am-Can which focus on strengthening trade between Ontario and the U.S. while bringing good jobs back home for workers on both sides of the border; and

Whereas the federal government has also outlined several ways to address the current relationship with the U.S. including establishing the Council on Canada-U.S. relations to support the federal government as it negotiates with the U.S on tariffs; and

Whereas trade between Ontario and the United States is very important to our residents and local economies and requires all levels of government to work together in the best interest of those residents; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, across Ontario municipalities are expected to spend between \$250 and \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and



Whereas municipalities have traditionally treated all procurements from trade partners equally and fairly; and

Whereas municipalities can assist in the Team Canada effort to combat tariffs and support businesses in our procurement for capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas there are trade barriers between Canadian provinces.

Therefore, be it resolved that, the County of Peterborough supports the provincial and federal governments on the measures they have put in place in response to the proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods and ask that they take any and all measures to protect the interests of Ontario in any upcoming trade negotiations;

And that federal and provincial governments remove any impediments to municipalities preferring Canadian companies and services for capital projects and other supplies;

And that the provincial and federal governments take action to remove trade barriers between provinces as a response to US tariffs and support Canadian businesses.

And that the CAO be directed to bring back a report detailing a temporary purchasing policy that integrates and addresses these concerns;

And that County Economic Development & Tourism Division be directed to implement a “Buy Local Peterborough County, Buy Canadian” campaign to encourage residents and businesses to purchase locally made and Canadian goods and services.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this motion be sent to:

- The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
- The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
- The Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
- The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
- The Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Rebecca Bligh, President, FCM and Councillor, City of Vancouver



- Robin Jones, President, AMO and Mayor of Westport
- Bonnie Clark, Chair, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus
- Jeff Leal, Chair, Eastern Ontario Leadership Council
- John Beddows, Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus
- All provincial and territorial Premiers.
- All local MPs and MPPs,
- All Ontario Municipalities for their support.

Carried

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact Kari Stevenson, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk at kstevenson@ptbocounty.ca.

Yours truly,

Holly Salisko
Administrative Services Assistant – Clerk's Division/Planning
hsalisko@ptbocounty.ca

February 6, 2025

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
 Prime Minister of Canada
 80 Wellington Street
 Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2
 Via fax

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

Robin Jones, President, AMO
 Association of Municipalities of Ontario
 155 University Avenue, Suite 800
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 Via email

Rebecca Bligh, President, FCM
 Federation of Canadian Municipalities
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 Via email

Re: United States Imposition of Tariffs on Canada

Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Hanover, at their regular meeting of February 3, 2025, adopted the following resolution with respect to the above noted matter:

“Whereas United States President Donald Trump, issued executive orders to impose tariffs on imports from Canada effective February 4, 2025; and

Whereas these tariffs will have a significant detrimental impact on the economic stability in both countries; and

Whereas federal and provincial leaders are encouraging Canadians to buy Canadian; and

Whereas municipalities have significant purchasing power through capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Ontario municipalities are expected to spend \$250 to \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and

Whereas municipalities have traditionally been prevented by trade agreements and legislation from giving preference to the purchase of Canadian products and services; and

Whereas municipalities can assist in the effort to combat tariffs and support businesses in the procurement for capital and infrastructure programs;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Hanover endorse the federal and provincial call to action to buy Canadian where and when possible; and

That the federal and provincial governments work with municipalities on measures to protect Canadian consumers and businesses; and

That council call on the federal and provincial government to remove any impediments to municipalities preferring to engage Canadian companies for capital projects and supplies when appropriate and feasible; and

That this resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and all Ontario municipalities.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Vicki McDonald". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Vicki McDonald
Clerk

/tp

cc: Honourable Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound
All Ontario Municipalities



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February 4, 2025

SENT VIA EMAIL: clerks@aurora.ca

Town of Aurora
Mayor Tom Mrakas
100 John West Way
Aurora, ON
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RE: Town of Lincoln Council Resolution – Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to **Respective** Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

Please be advised that Council of the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln at its Council Meeting held on February 3, 2025, endorsed correspondence from the Town of Aurora dated November 5, 2024, regarding Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding, with the following motion:

Resolution Number: RC-2025-04

Moved by: Councillor Greg Reimer Seconded by: Councillor J.D. Pachereva

That Council support and endorse the resolution as amended within the correspondence received regarding the request for the redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure funding.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Regards,



Julie Kirkelos
Town Clerk

jkirkelos@lincoln.ca

JK/dp

- c.c. Prime Minister of Canada
- Premier of Ontario
- Minister of Finance
- Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Niagara Area MPs and MPPs
- All Ontario municipalities
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
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Mayor's Office

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To: Members of Council

From: Mayor Tom Mrakas

Date: November 5, 2024

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FORTFRANCES

RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL

Monday, February 10, 2025

Oral Motion

“THAT Council supports the Town of Halton Hills Resolution No. 2025-0010 regarding the Sovereignty of Canada.”

Moved by Wendy Brunetta, Seconded by Steven Maki, Motion Carried by Council.

WHEREAS President Trump has suggested that with the use of “economic force” such as tariffs, Canada should become the 51st state of the United States, and further he suggests that many Canadians would agree;

AND WHEREAS Canada is a sovereign nation with a peaceful history of self-governance dating to its Confederation in 1867;

AND WHEREAS the Canadian identity is marked by a deep-rooted pride in its heritage and culture founded by French and British settlement, enriched by Indigenous culture and traditions, and by more than a century and a half of multicultural immigration;

AND WHEREAS Canada has significant global standing, consistently supporting its allies, including the United States, in global conflicts such as two world wars, and wars in Korea and Afghanistan; and in international coalitions and in being consistently recognized as among the top countries in the world for quality of life;

AND WHEREAS the shared history of the United States and Canada has been one of friendship, respect, and neighbourly relations;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Fort Frances categorically rejects any efforts by incoming President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada. We stand united with our Ontario Premier Doug Ford and our Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent, and characterized by peace, order, and good government.

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor prepare correspondence containing this resolution for circulation to the office of the American president through our Canadian diplomatic channels with copies to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister, The Honourable Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs, MP Michael Chong, Premier Doug Ford, The Honourable Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade of Ontario, MPP Ted Arnott, Leaders of the Opposition Parties, AMO, FCM, and all municipalities in Ontario.



The Corporation of the

**Township
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Uxbridge**

In The Regional Municipality of Durham

SENT VIA E-MAIL

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February 14, 2025

Premier Doug Ford
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
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premier@ontario.ca

**RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF "BUY CANADIAN" POLICY
TOWNSHIP FILE: A-00 G**

Please be advised that during the regular meeting of the General Purpose and Administration Committee of February 3, 2025, the following motion was carried:

THAT the Administration and Special Projects Committee receive Report CAO-04/25 regarding the implementation of "Buy Canadian" Policy;

AND THAT the Policy remain in place until such time as there is clear indication from the Provincial and Federal Governments that trade relations have been normalized;

AND THAT the Policy be forwarded to all municipalities in Ontario requesting they implement similar policies;

AND THAT the Policy be forwarded to AMO and ROMA;

AND THAT the Policy be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, MP O'Connell, all Durham MPP's and appropriate Provincial Ministers;


AND THAT the Policy be forwarded to all Township Committee Chairs for information;

AND THAT Committee support this Policy in principle;

AND THAT the final document be run through the CAO's office for final approval.

I trust you will find the above to be satisfactory.

Yours truly,


Emily Elliott
Deputy Clerk
/ljr

cc: Honourable Jennifer O'Connell, MP
Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, MPP (peter.bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org)
Minister of Finance (Minister.fin@ontario.ca)
Minister of Public and Business Service Deliver (todd.mccarthy@ontario.ca)
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February 12, 2025

Sent to: vicepresident@angelmancanada.org

Dear Christa Graham:

RE: Lighting Request – February 14 – International Angelman Syndrome Day

I am writing to advise that your lighting request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in blue on February 14, 2025 to recognize International Angelman Syndrome Day. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "ETH", written in a cursive style.

Emily Thomas-Hopkins

Legislative Coordinator



February 7, 2025

Sent to: [REDACTED]

Dear Lauren Pires:

RE: Lighting Request – February 27, 2025 – Rare Disease Day

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize Rare Disease Day by illuminating the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in blue on February 27, 2025 from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

John Taylor
Mayor



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February 7, 2025

Sent to: [REDACTED]

Dear Lauren Pires:

RE: Lighting Request – February 27, 2025 – Rare Disease Day

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Emily Thomas-Hopkins

Legislative Coordinator



February 7, 2025

Sent to: ishaat.newmarket@ahmadiyya.ca

Dear Arif Faheem Khan:

RE: Lighting Request – February 28, 2025 – Ramadan

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize Ramadan by illuminating the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in yellow on February 28, 2025 from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

John Taylor
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February 7, 2025

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Dear Arif Faheem Khan:

RE: Lighting Request – February 28, 2025 – Ramadan

I am writing to advise that your lighting request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in yellow on February 28, 2025 to recognize Ramadan. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

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Legislative Coordinator



February 14, 2025

Sent to: alawrence@liver.ca

Dear Ashley Lawrence:

RE: Lighting Request – March 3, 2025 – Liver Health Month

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize Liver Health Month by illuminating the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in blue on March 3, 2025 from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

John Taylor
Mayor



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Dear Ashley Lawrence:

RE: Lighting Request – March 3, 2025 – Liver Health Month

I am writing to advise that your lighting request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will illuminate the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street in blue on March 3, 2025 to recognize Liver Health Month. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

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Emily Thomas-Hopkins

Legislative Coordinator



February 14, 2025

Sent to: ghazala@sudc.org

Dear Ghazala Siddiqui:

RE: Proclamation and Lighting Request – March 2025 – Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood Awareness Month

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize March 2025 as Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood Awareness Month.

In addition, the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in blue on March 7, 2025 from sunset until 11:00 PM.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Taylor". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John Taylor
Mayor



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February 14, 2025

Sent to: ghazala@sudc.org

Dear Ghazala Siddiqui:

RE: Proclamation and Lighting Request – March 2025 – Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood Awareness Month

I am writing to advise that your proclamation request has been approved in accordance with the Council-approved [Proclamation, Lighting Request and Community Flag Raising Policy](#), and the Town of Newmarket will proclaim March 2025 as Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood Awareness Month. Approved proclamations, lighting requests, and community flag raisings will be listed on the Town's website. Approved lighting and community flag raisings will also be communicated to the public through the Town's social media.

In addition, the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in blue on March 7, 2025 to recognize Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood Awareness Month. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

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Emily Thomas-Hopkins

Legislative Coordinator



February 14, 2025

Sent to: awarenessandeducation@epilepsyork.org

Dear Ting Ng:

RE: Proclamation Request – March 1 – 31, 2025 – Epilepsy Awareness Month & Purple Day

On behalf of the Town of Newmarket Council I am pleased to recognize March 2025 as Epilepsy Awareness Month.

In addition, the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in Purple on March 26, 2025 from sunset until 11:00 PM to recognize Purple Day & Epilepsy Awareness Month.

In addition, the community flag pole located at the Newmarket Municipal Offices (395 Mulock Drive) will fly your flag from March 25 – March 27, 2025.

Thank you for submitting your request and for your contributions to the community.

Yours sincerely,

John Taylor
Mayor



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February 14, 2025

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Dear Ting Ng:

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In addition, the Fred A. Lundy Bridge located on Water Street will be illuminated in Purple on March 26, 2025 to recognize Purple Day and Epilepsy Awareness Month. Please note that the lighting will occur from sunset until 11:00 PM.

In addition, the community flag pole located at the Newmarket Municipal Offices (395 Mulock Drive) will fly your flag from March 25 – 27, 2025 to recognize Epilepsy Awareness Month. Please note that the flag must be dropped off at the Town of Newmarket Operations Centre at 1275 Maple Hill Court by 4:00 PM on [2 days before proclamation], ATTN: Nick Evans. Alternatively, you can leave it in the drop off box at the front of the building after 4:00 PM.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "ETH", written in a cursive style.

Emily Thomas-Hopkins

Legislative Coordinator