



# Town of Newmarket Council Information Package

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None.

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The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Resolution # RC23265	Meeting Order: 10
Moved by: <i>Cathy Fannon</i>	Seconded by: <i>J. Mal</i>

**WHEREAS** Canada has 90,000 volunteer firefighters who provide fire and all hazard emergency services to their communities; in addition, approximately 8,000 essential search and rescue volunteers respond to thousands of incidents every year; and

**WHEREAS** many of these individuals receive some form of pay on call, an honorarium, or are given some funding to cover expenses, but they do not draw a living wage from firefighting; and;

**WHEREAS** without volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers, thousands of communities in Canada would have no fire and emergency response coverage; and;

**WHEREAS** in 2013, the federal government initiated a tax credit recognizing these individuals, and calling on the federal government to increase this tax credit from \$3,000 to \$10,000; and;

**WHEREAS** volunteer firefighters account for 71% of Canada's total firefighting essential first responders;

- The tax code of Canada currently allows volunteer firefighters and search and rescue volunteers to claim a \$3,000 tax credit if 200 hours of volunteer services were completed in a calendar year;
- This works out to a mere \$450 per year, which we allow these essential volunteers to keep of their own income from their regular jobs, \$2.25 an hour;
- If they volunteer more than 200 hours, which many do, this tax credit becomes even less;
- These essential volunteers not only put their lives on the line and give their time, training and efforts to Canadians, but they also allow cities and municipalities to keep property taxes lower than if paid services were required;

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- It would also help retain these volunteers in a time when volunteerism is decreasing.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa call upon the Government of Canada to support Bill C-310 and enact amendments to subsections 118.06 (2) and 118.07 (2) of the Income Tax Act in order to increase the amount of the tax credits for volunteer firefighting and search and rescue volunteer services from \$3,000 to \$10,000; and;

**FURTHERMORE THAT** a copy of the resolution be shared with the Association of Fire Chiefs of Ontario, Algoma Mutual Aid Association, Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario municipalities.

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES NO
<input type="checkbox"/>	DEFEATED	Mitch Hatfield	
<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon	
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon	
<input type="checkbox"/>	PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARED	Jim Hoffmann	
<input type="checkbox"/>	WITHDRAWN	Joseph Opato	

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the general nature thereof.

- Disclosed the pecuniary interest and general name thereof and abstained from the discussion, vote and influence.

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR - MELANIE PILON	CLERK - MAURY O'NEILL


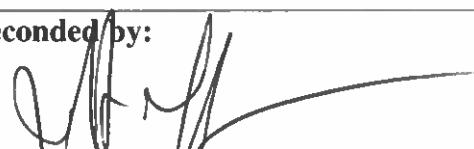


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RESOLUTION

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

Resolution # RC23263	Meeting Order: 8
Moved by: 	Seconded by: 

**WHEREAS** the local newspaper company Algoma News Review has ceased the print publication of its weekly newspaper and printed its final edition on July 6, 2022; and

**WHEREAS** the *Legislation Act, 2006* provides a definition of “newspaper” which applies to every Ontario Act Regulation, as in a provision requiring publication, means a document that, (a) **is printed in sheet form**, published at regular intervals of a week or less and circulated to the general public, and (b) consists primarily of news of current events of general interest; (“journal”); and

**WHEREAS** Ontario Municipalities are required to follow publication and notice requirements for Provincial Acts and Regulations; and

**WHEREAS** communities such as the Municipality of Wawa cannot comply with publication requirements in Provincial Acts and Regulations as the Algoma News Review publication is no longer being printed in sheet form and there are no other local news publications fitting the definition of “newspaper”; and

**WHEREAS** some small rural Ontario Municipalities may not have the means to bring an application to the Court to ask for directions and approval of an alternate manner of providing notice;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa does hereby support the Township of McKellar and request the Provincial Government to make an amendment to the *Legislation Act, 2006* to include digital publications as an acceptable means of publication and notice requirements for Provincial acts and Regulations; and

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FURTHERMORE request the support of all Ontario Municipalities; and

FURTHERMORE THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Paul Calandra, Algoma Manitoulin MPP Michael Mantha, and the Association of Ontario Municipalities (AMO).

RESOLUTION RESULT		RECORDED VOTE		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CARRIED	MAYOR AND COUNCIL	YES	NO
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<input type="checkbox"/>	TABLED	Cathy Cannon		
<input type="checkbox"/>	RECORDED VOTE (SEE RIGHT)	Melanie Pilon		
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Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

MAYOR – MELANIE PILON	CLERK – MAURY O'NEILL



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## Corporate Services

November 13, 2023

### **Re: Gender Based Violence and Intimate Partner Violence an Epidemic**

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville, at its Regular Council Meeting held on October 30, 2023, approved the following resolution:

**WHEREAS the safety of our community and its members is of extreme importance to every Orangeville resident, as well as to Orangeville Council; and**

**WHEREAS gender-based violence and intimate partner violence (IPV), often referred to as domestic violence, means any use of physical or sexual force, actual or threatened in an intimate relationship, including emotional and/or psychological abuse or harassing behaviour; and**

**WHEREAS on August 16th, 2023, Justice Minister Arif Virani described gender-based violence as “an epidemic” in the federal government’s formal response to a coroner’s inquest, also stating that his government is committed to ending the gender-based violence epidemic “in all its forms, and is working to address any gaps in the Criminal Code to ensure a robust justice system response”; and**

**WHEREAS by declaring gender-based violence and intimate partner violence an epidemic, the Town of Orangeville can join the growing number of municipalities and regions in demanding action from all levels of government to address this growing epidemic; and**

**WHEREAS the incidences of gender-based violence and intimate partner violence have increased exponentially throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and has not decreased, while funding to provide the growing demand of services and support for victims and survivors has not kept pace;**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

- 1. The Town of Orangeville officially declare intimate-partner violence an epidemic, as per recommendation #1 from the Culleton, Kuzyk, and Warmerdam (CKW) Inquest; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:**
- 2. The Town of Orangeville recommends that gender-based violence and intimate partner violence be declared an epidemic in the Province of Ontario; and**
- 3. That the Town of Orangeville requests that the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all municipalities and regions in Ontario declare gender-based violence and intimate partner violence an epidemic; and**
- 4. That the Town of Orangeville requests that the provincial and federal governments enact the additional 85 recommendations from the CKW Inquest, which provides a roadmap to preventing intimate partner violence from escalating to femicide; and**
- 5. That the Town of Orangeville requests that the federal government starts this enactment by adding the word “femicide” as a term to the Criminal Code of Canada; and**
- 6. That the Town of Orangeville requests that the provincial and federal governments provide the necessary support to municipalities, regions, and their emergency and social services to meaningfully address the gender-based violence and intimate partner violence epidemic; and**
- 7. That the Acting Clerk be directed to send a copy of this motion to the County of Dufferin, the Honourable Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford, The Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau, Members of Parliament, Members of Provincial Parliament, the United Nations, and all Ontario Municipalities.**

**Carried Unanimously.**

Yours truly,

Tracy Macdonald  
Acting Clerk





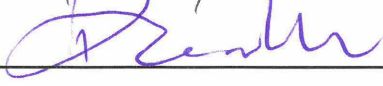
MUNICIPALITY OF SHUNIAH

# COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution No.: 399-23

Date: Nov 14, 2023

Moved By: 

Seconded By: 

WHEREAS excessive noise resulting from the operation of moving vehicles falls under the jurisdiction of the Highway Traffic Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.8. ("Highway Traffic Act") which is enforced by provincially appointed officers;

AND WHEREAS municipalities, including the Municipality of Shuniah, have received complaints from residents regarding noises associated with the use of engine retarder brakes on heavy vehicles;

AND WHEREAS the Ministry of Transportation recommends the use of engine braking in certain circumstances, such as the downgrade located on Spruce River Road to avoid overheating brakes, and as a form of backup brake if brakes fail;

AND WHEREAS a higher engine noise is typically emitted for a short period of time (e.g., ten (10) to thirty (30) seconds), depending on the vehicle's speed and vehicles may make a loud "chattering" or "jackhammer" exhaust noise when this braking system is engaged;

AND WHEREAS this noise can be amplified if the vehicle has no muffler or an improper muffling system;


AND WHEREAS noise emissions from commercial vehicles form part of the Ministry of Transportation's inspection process;

AND WHEREAS installation of "courtesy" signs that request the drivers to limit the use of loud compression style brakes are difficult to enforce and there is evidence of these types of signs not being beneficial;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to enhance enforcement for deficient muffler systems to address concerns around excessive and unnecessary noise from engine brakes.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Transportation Prabmeet Sarkaria, MPP Kevin Holland, MP Marcus Powlowski, MPP Lise Vaugeois, and MP Patty Hajdu.

Carried       Defeated       Amended       Deferred

  
Signature

November 16, 2023

Hon. Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Premier's Office  
Room 281  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

**Re: Resolution in Support for Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act**

Dear Premier Ford,

At its meeting on November 14, 2023 Elgin County Council considered a resolution passed by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge in support of Bill 21, Fixing the Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Till death do us part), and passed the following resolution:

“Moved by: Councillor Noble  
Seconded by: Councillor Couckuyt

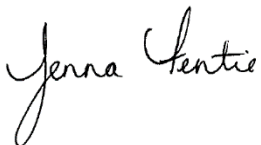
RESOLVED THAT Elgin County Council support the resolution from the Council of the City of Cambridge regarding support of Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act; and

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, Member of Parliament Karen Vecchio, and all Ontario Municipalities.

Motion Carried.”

A copy of the motion from the City of Cambridge is attached for your reference.

Yours truly,



**Jenna Fentie**  
Manager of Administrative Services/Deputy Clerk  
[jfentie@elgin.ca](mailto:jfentie@elgin.ca)

cc Karen Vecchio, Member of Parliament  
All Ontario Municipalities

**The Corporation of the City of Cambridge  
Corporate Services Department  
Clerk's Division  
The City of Cambridge  
Tel: (519) 740-4680 ext. 4585  
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October 27, 2023

**Re: Support for Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act**

At its Council Meeting of October 24, 2023, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge passed the following Motion:

WHEREAS the care, support, and happiness of older adults in Cambridge is a priority for City Council;

WHEREAS older adults deserve dignity in care and should have the right to live with their partner as they age;

WHEREAS within the Province of Ontario couples do not have the right to be accommodated together when entering long term care facilities;

WHEREAS the separation of spouses upon entering long term care facilities is a common occurrence across Ontario;

WHEREAS Bill 21, Fixing Long-Term Care Amendment Act (Till death do us part) was first introduced in the provincial legislature in 2019 and was reintroduced in 2022;

WHEREAS Bill 21 amends the Residents' Bill of Rights set out in section 3 of Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021 by adding the right of residents not to be separated from their spouse upon admission and to have accommodation made available for both spouses so they may continue to live together;

WHEREAS Bill 21 passed its second reading in the provincial legislature on November 15, 2022 and was subsequently ordered referred to the Standing Committee on Social Policy and has since yet to be called to the Standing Committee;

WHEREAS the Conservative provincial Government may bring forward a new Bill that in principle supports the intent of Bill 21 to fix the Long-Term Care Amendment Act;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the City of Cambridge supports any future Bill to fix the Long-Term Care Amendment Act;

AND THAT the City of Cambridge requests the provincial legislature enact any current and future proposed Bills to fix the Long-Term Care Amendment Act.

AND FURTHER THAT the City Clerk be directed to send a copy of this motion to the Region of Waterloo, Province of Ontario, The Honourable Premier of Ontario, The Right Honourable Provincial Members of Parliament, and all Ontario Municipalities.

Should you have any questions related to the approved resolution, please contact me.

Yours Truly,



Danielle Manton  
City Clerk

Cc: (via email)  
Hon. Premier Ford  
Hon. Provincial Members of Parliament  
Region of Waterloo  
Province of Ontario  
All Ontario Municipalities

November 16, 2023

To Whom it May Concern:

**RE: Notice of Publication of the Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report  
Highway 400 – Highway 404 Link (Bradford Bypass)  
Preliminary Design and Assessment of Environmental Impacts  
Ontario Ministry of Transportation**

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The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report is now available on the Project Website (<https://www.bradfordbypass.ca/study-process/>), in accordance with Ontario Regulation 697/21, Section 27.

## **The Study**

The Ministry of Transportation has retained AECOM Canada Ltd. to undertake a Preliminary Design and project-specific assessment of environmental impacts in accordance with Ontario Regulation 697/21 for the Bradford Bypass. Under the regulation, the study is following the streamlined assessment process that includes environmental commitments from the 2002 approved Environmental Assessment for Preliminary Design of the Technically Preferred Route.

The Bradford Bypass will be a 16.3-kilometre, controlled access freeway to connect Highway 400 and Highway 404 with proposed full and partial interchanges, and grade separated crossings. The route extends from Highway 400 between 8<sup>th</sup> Line and 9<sup>th</sup> Line in Bradford West Gwillimbury (County of Simcoe), will cross a small portion of King Township, and will connect to Highway 404 between Queensville Sideroad and Holborn Road in East Gwillimbury (Regional Municipality of York).

The current study proposes preliminary design refinements to the route alignment and interchanges, design updates to the freeway interchanges, and grade separated crossings at local roads and watercourses, including new bridges over the Holland River and Holland River East Branch. This project also included design integration with planned work on Highway 400, such as the design development for the replacement of the 9<sup>th</sup> Line structure on Highway 400.

The key map on the enclosed *Ontario Government Notice* shows the study area, the Updated Technically Preferred Route (Recommended Plan), and locations of the proposed interchanges and bridge and rail structures.

## Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report

The Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report was available for review on the Project Website (<https://www.bradfordbypass.ca/study-process/>) from June 1, 2023, until June 30, 2023.

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The ministry has updated the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report in accordance with Section 27 of Ontario Regulation 697/21. Any concerns raised during the public consultation and review periods of the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Updated Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report by Indigenous communities and interested persons have been documented in Section 8 of the Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report. The Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report is now available on the Project Website (<https://www.bradfordbypass.ca/study-process/>).

**Project Website:** <https://www.bradfordbypass.ca/consultation/>

**Project Team Email:** [ProjectTeam@BradfordBypass.ca](mailto:ProjectTeam@BradfordBypass.ca)

**Toll-Free Telephone Number:** 1-877-247-6036

If you have accessibility requirements in order to participate in this study, or to be placed on the Project Contact List, please use a contact method noted above or visit the “Contact Us” page on the Project Website.

There is an opportunity at any time during the study for interested persons to provide input to the Project Team regarding the study. Comments are being collected to assist the ministry in meeting the requirements under Ontario Regulation 697/21. This material will be maintained on file for use during the Study and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

We thank you for your participation and interest in the Preliminary Design and project-specific assessment of environmental impacts for the Bradford Bypass and look forward to your involvement.

Sincerely,



**Tim Soroichinsky, P.Eng.**

AECOM Canada Ltd., Project Manager

- cc. W. Ma – Ministry of Transportation Senior Project Manager
- A. MacLean – Ministry of Transportation Project Manager
- R. Lariviere – Ministry of Transportation Project Manager
- J. Lee – Ministry of Transportation Environmental Planner
- R. Sheikh – AECOM Deputy Project Manager
- E. Docherty – AECOM Senior Environmental Planner
- M. Atherton – AECOM Environmental Planner

Enclosed: *Ontario Government Notice*

# ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT HIGHWAY 400 - HIGHWAY 404 LINK (BRADFORD BYPASS) PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

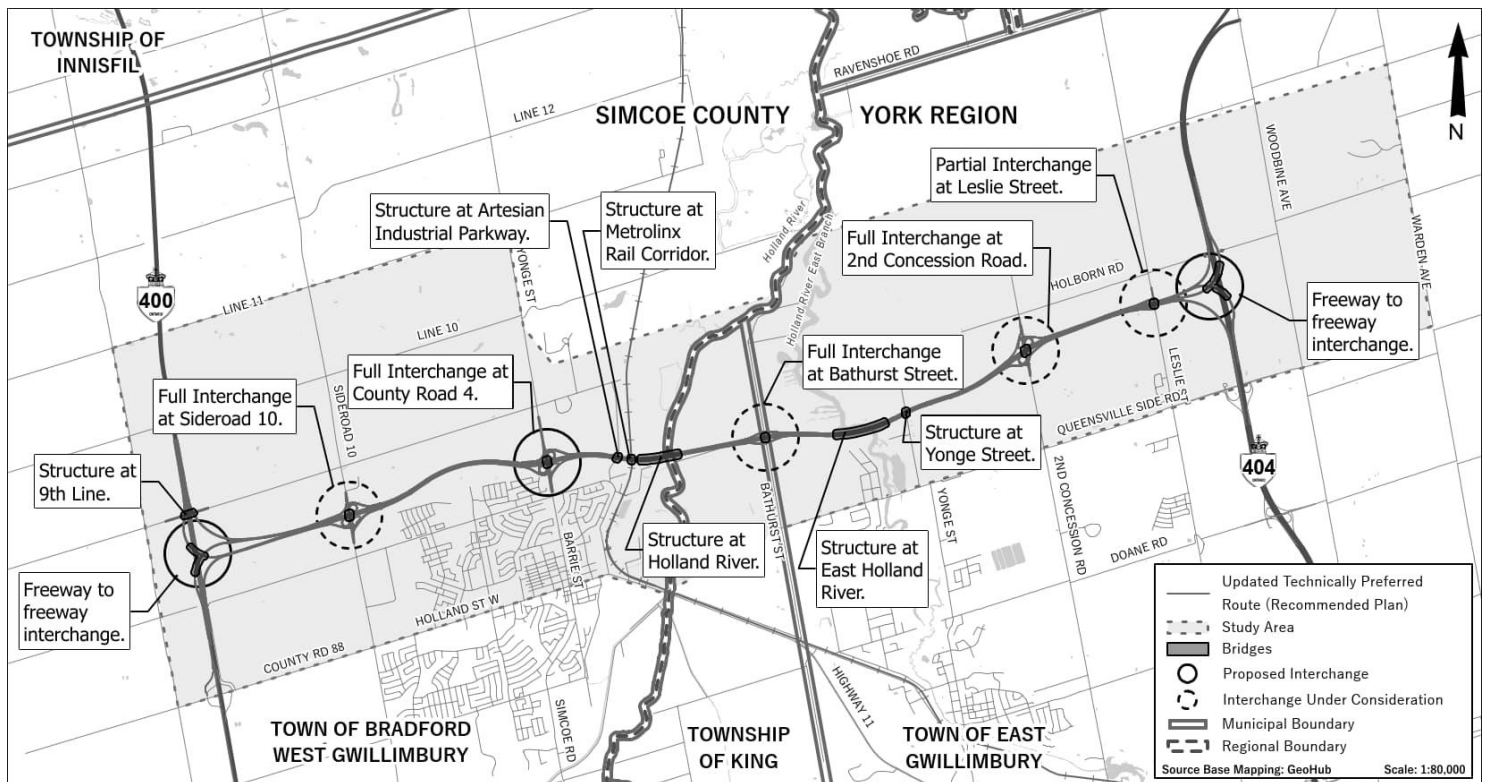
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This notice was issued on **November 16, 2023**, in accordance with Ontario Regulation 697/21: Section 27.