

1. **C-2024-393**
Correspondence dated August 30, 2024 from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau respecting a resolution of support for the City of Quinte West correspondence regarding the Canada Community-Building Fund.
2. **C-2024-394**
Correspondence dated August 30, 2024 from CN respecting a request to proclaim September 23-29, 2024 as Rail Safety Week.
3. **C-2024-395**
Correspondence dated August 30, 2024 from the City of Brantford to the Honourable Doug Ford respecting a resolution requesting Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement.
4. **C-2024-396**
Correspondence dated August 28, 2024 from Niagara Region Public Works respecting Niagara Region Waste Management Strategic Plan Phase Two Engagement Opportunities.



Received August 30, 2024
C-2024-393

Justin Trudeau
justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca
(sent via e-mail)

August 30th, 2024

Re: The Canada Community-Building Fund

Please be advised that the Council of the Town of Plympton-Wyoming, at its Regular Council meeting on August 28th, 2024, passed the following motion supporting the resolution from the City of Quinte West regarding the Canada Community-Building Fund.

Motion #16

Moved by Councillor Kristen Rodrigues

Seconded by Councillor Mike Vasey

That Council support correspondence item 'i' from the City of Quinte West regarding the Canada Community-Building Fund.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at eflynn@plympton-wyoming.ca.

Sincerely,

Ella Flynn
Executive Assistant – Deputy Clerk
Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Cc: Donna Herridge, Executive Director, MFOA donna@mfoa.on.ca
Colin Best, President, AMO amopresident@amo.on.ca
Marilyn Gladu, MP, Sarnia-Lambton marilyn.gladu@parl.gc.ca
Hon. Chrystia Freeland, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance
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Virginia LaTour, Deputy City Clerk

August 15, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2
Via Email - justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca

RE: Notice of Motion – Councillor Stedall – The Canada Community-Building Fund

Dear Prime Minister:

This letter will serve to advise that at a meeting of City of Quinte West Council held on August 14, 2024 Council passed the following resolution:

Motion No 24-366 – Notice of Motion - Councillor Stedall - The Canada Community-Building Fund

Moved by Councillor Stedall

Seconded by Councillor McCue

Whereas the City of Quinte West is entering into an agreement to receive Canada Community-Building Funds, which is administered by the Association of Ontario Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) on behalf of the Federal government;

And whereas the funding allocations are less than 2% year over year for the next 5 years;

And whereas the amounts allocated in the past 5 years were less than 2% year over year;

And whereas non-residential construction price inflation has risen by 29% since the end of 2020 and municipalities are facing soaring costs for infrastructure projects without a corresponding growth in revenue;

And whereas there is a requirement for municipalities to complete an asset management plan and a housing needs analysis;

And whereas both of these plans show the large funding gap between infrastructure and housing needs and funds available from property taxation;

And whereas The City of Quinte West has over \$1.5 billion in core infrastructure assets and, like other municipalities, its infrastructure is aging and in need of upgrades and replacement;

And whereas The City's Asset Management Plan requires \$37 million annually to maintain existing assets which, based on current available funding, is resulting in an annual infrastructure deficit of over \$17.1 million;

And whereas municipalities are facing a gap in federal infrastructure funding as the 10-year Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program has come to an end;

Now therefore be it resolved that the City of Quinte West calls on the Federal Government to provide a supplement to the allocations provided to municipalities under the AMO CBBF agreement for 2024 - 2028 for the same amount that was allocated, effectively doubling the allocation for those years;

And further that this resolution be forwarded to MFOA, AMO, MP Ryan Williams, and Federal Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland, and all Municipalities in Ontario.
Carried

We trust that you will give favourable consideration to this request.

Yours Truly,

CITY OF QUINTE WEST

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Virginia LaTour', with a large, loopy flourish extending from the end of the signature.

Virginia LaTour,
Deputy City Clerk

cc: Donna Herridge, Executive Director, MFOA
Colin Best, President, AMO
Ryan Williams, MP, Bay of Quinte
Hon. Chrystia Freeland, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance
All Municipalities of Ontario

Subject: Rail Safety Week 2024 – Sept 23-29, 2024 | Proclamation request – Follow up

From: Daniel Salvatore <daniel.salvatore@cn.ca>

Sent: August 30, 2024 11:04 AM

To: Mallory Luey <MLuey@wainfleet.ca>

Subject: Rail Safety Week 2024 – Sept 23-29, 2024 | Proclamation request – Follow up

Dear Mr. Kolasa,

I hope that this note finds you well and that you are enjoying the end of the summer months. I wanted to take a moment to follow up with you on a note that CN's Chief of Police Stephen Covey would have sent you in July pertaining to Rail Safety Week 2024.

Year after year we at CN do our best to promote a better understanding and knowledge about the risks of being near railroad tracks. Every year more than 2,100 North Americans are killed or seriously injured because of unsafe behaviour around tracks and trains – every one of these incidents and deaths are preventable.

We would ask that you and council consider adopting the attached draft proclamation and that if you do choose to do so that you please send a copy of that proclamation via email to rsw@cn.ca. Alternatively, you can also sign the proclamation online by clicking [here](#).

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Regards,



Daniel Salvatore

Sr Manager Incident Management & Safety

Lead for Ontario

Stakeholder Relations

C: 647 544 3368

Rail Safety Week is September 23-29

[Take the Safety Pledge](#)

RESOLUTION
IN SUPPORT OF RAIL SAFETY WEEK

WHEREAS *Rail Safety Week* is to be held across Canada from September 23 to 29, 2024;

WHEREAS, 229 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2023; resulting in 66 avoidable fatalities and 39 avoidable serious injuries;

WHEREAS, educating and informing the public about rail safety (reminding the public that railway rights-of-way are private property, enhancing public awareness of the dangers associated with highway rail grade crossings, ensuring pedestrians and motorists are looking and listening while near railways, and obeying established traffic laws) will reduce the number of avoidable fatalities and injuries cause by incidents involving trains and citizens; and

WHEREAS Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work with the public, rail industry, governments, police services, media and others to raise rail safety awareness;

WHEREAS CN and Operation Lifesaver have requested City Council adopt this resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including our municipality;

It is proposed by _____

seconded by _____

It is hereby **RESOLVED** to support national *Rail Safety Week* to be held from September 23 to 29, 2024.



Received August 30, 2024
C-2024-395

August 30, 2024

Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario

Sent via email: premier@ontario.ca

Dear Honourable Doug Ford:

Please be advised that Brantford City Council at its meeting held August 27, 2024 adopted the following:

12.2.4 Legislative Amendments to Improve Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement

WHEREAS all Ontarians deserve and expect a safe and respectful workplace; and

WHEREAS municipal governments, as the democratic institutions most directly engaged with Ontarians, need respectful discourse; and

WHEREAS several incidents in recent years of abuse and workplace harassment have occurred amongst members of municipal councils; and

WHEREAS these incidents seriously and negatively affect the people involved and lower public perceptions of local governments; and

WHEREAS municipal Codes of Conduct are helpful tools to set expectations of Council members' behaviour; and

WHEREAS legislation would hold both accountable and protect all municipal offices; and

WHEREAS municipal governments do not have the necessary tools to adequately enforce compliance with municipal Codes of Conduct and support appropriate accountability when it comes to perpetrating violence and harassment in the workplace; and

WHEREAS the fundamental underlying principle of broadening diversity, equity and inclusion in politics rests on the assumption the workplace is safe; and

WHEREAS government legislation would require Councillors to comply with the workplace violence and harassment policies, establish a process for removing individuals in substantiated cases of egregious violence or harassment, as well as

prevent officials whose seats have been vacated for such reasons from seeking immediate or subsequent re-election; and

WHEREAS the aforementioned elements are consistent with previously developed legislation, as well as current legislation tabled (Bill 207, Municipal Accountability and Integrity Act, 2024).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. THAT the Corporation of the City of Brantford supports the call of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), Ontario Municipal Administrators Association (OMAA), Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), and more than 207 municipalities, for the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them in consultation with municipal governments; and
- B. THAT the legislation encompasses:
 - i. Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment;
 - ii. Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario;
 - iii. Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province;
 - iv. Amending the Municipal Act, 2001 to require the establishment of a Board of Integrity Commissioners;
 - v. Amending both, the Municipal Act, 2001, and the City of Toronto Act, 2006, to allow a Commissioner of the Board of Integrity Commissioners to make an application for judicial review to vacate a member's seat and impose prescribed penalties if the Commissioner is of the opinion that the member has made certain contraventions of the Code of Conduct;
 - vi. Adding provisions to both Acts to allow the Commissioner to seek confirmation of certain determinations from a judge of the Superior Court;
 - vii. Introducing provisions to prohibit a member who has been removed from office from running in the election for the remainder of the term and the subsequent term; and
- C. THAT a copy of this resolution BE FORWARDED to the Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford; Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra; Attorney General, Doug Downey; Charmaine Williams, Associate Minister of Women's

Social and Economic Opportunity; Will Bouma, Member of Provincial Parliament; Larry Brock, Member of Parliament; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and Ontario municipalities.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours truly,



Chris Gauthier
City Clerk, cgauthier@brantford.ca

cc Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Paul Calandra
 Attorney General, Doug Downey
 Charmaine Williams, Associate Minister of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity
 Will Bouma, Member of Provincial Parliament
 Larry Brock, Member of Parliament
 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
 Ontario municipalities

August 28, 2024

Dear Municipal Councillors,

Subject: Niagara Region Waste Management Strategic Plan Phase Two Engagement Opportunities

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that registration is now open and to invite you to one of our two upcoming Phase Two Waste Management Strategic Plan online open houses. Here, we will detail the vision, mission, goals, guiding principles as well as opportunities under consideration for the future. A recording will be posted on the project website for those unable to attend.

Open house dates:

- Tuesday Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. - [Register for Open House 1](https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/a3416dd6-34d0-47bd-aa83-9fab4901aef5@f8214d3d-965c-48cb-b18b-ed323372be42)
(<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/a3416dd6-34d0-47bd-aa83-9fab4901aef5@f8214d3d-965c-48cb-b18b-ed323372be42>)
- Monday Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. - [Register for Open House 2](https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/e23fbae5-d302-45aa-840f-540eb2895376@f8214d3d-965c-48cb-b18b-ed323372be42)
(<https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/e23fbae5-d302-45aa-840f-540eb2895376@f8214d3d-965c-48cb-b18b-ed323372be42>)

Please visit niagararegion.ca/future-of-waste (<https://niagararegion.ca/projects/waste-management-strategic-plan/?shorturl=1>) for more information on the Plan, to register for one of the public open houses, and to take the survey which opens September 9th and closes on September 30th.

If you have any questions, please contact us at wmstratplan@niagararegion.ca or phone Project Manager Jennifer Mazurek at 905-980-6000 ext. 3236.

Sincerely,



Catherine Habermehl
Director, Waste Management Services