

1. **C-2025-168**
Correspondence dated August 26, 2025 from the City of Niagara Falls respecting a motion to support the Region of Niagara resolution regarding the Elect Respect Pledge.
2. **C-2025-169**
Correspondence received September 13, 2025 from the Niagara SPCA respecting monthly statistics.
3. **C-2025-170**
Correspondence dated September 15, 2025 from Bridges Community Health Centre respecting a request to proclaim the month of October as Community Health and Wellbeing Month.
4. **C-2025-171**
Correspondence dated September 15, 2025 from the Town of Grimsby to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario respecting a resolution of support for the Niagara-GTA Corridor.

Received September 10, 2025
C-2025-168



The City of Niagara Falls, Ontario

Resolution

August 26, 2025

No. 16 – Motion to Support Elect Respect Pledge – Region of Niagara Resolution

Moved by: Councillor Lori Lococo

Seconded by: Councillor Mike Strange

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of Niagara Falls, at its meeting held on August 26, 2025, considered the aforementioned topic and passed the following resolution in support:

WHEREAS democracy is healthy when everyone is able to participate fully and safely and contribute to the well-being of their community;

WHEREAS we are witnessing the dissolution of democratic discourse and respectful debate across all levels of government and in neighbouring jurisdictions;

WHEREAS Ontario's municipally elected officials are dealing with increasingly hostile, unsafe work environments facing threats and harassment;

WHEREAS social media platforms have exacerbated disrespectful dialogue, negative commentary, and toxic engagement which disincentivizes individuals, especially women and candidates from diverse backgrounds from running for office;

WHEREAS better decisions are made when democracy is respectful and constructive and the voices of diverse genders, identities, ethnicities, races, sexual orientation, ages and abilities are heard and represented around municipal council tables;

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's Healthy Democracy Project has identified concerning trends with fewer people voting in local elections and running for municipal office;

WHEREAS in 2024, female elected representatives from across Halton formed a group called H.E.R. (Halton Elected Representatives) which pledged to speak out against harassment and negativity in politics and call on elected officials to uphold the highest standards of conduct;

WHEREAS H.E.R. has launched a campaign called "Elect Respect" to promote the importance of a healthy democracy and safe, inclusive, respectful work environments for all elected officials that encourages individuals to participate in the political process; and


WHEREAS on June 5, 2025, the Canadian Association of Feminist Parliamentarians launched a non-partisan 'Parliamentary Civility Pledge" to encourage all parliamentarians to commit to end workplace harassment and increase civility on Parliament Hill, modelled after the pledge developed in Halton by representatives of H.E.R.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

1. That the City of Niagara Falls Council **SUPPORTS** the 'Elect Respect" pledge and commits to:
 - Treat others with respect in all spaces; public, private, and online;
 - Reject and call out harassment, abuse and personal attacks;
 - Focus debate on ideas and policies, not personal attacks;
 - Help build a supportive culture where people of all backgrounds feel safe to run for and hold office;
 - Call on relevant authorities to ensure the protection of elected officials who face abuse or threats; and
 - Model integrity and respect by holding one another to the highest standards of conduct;
2. That the City of Niagara Falls' Council **CALLS ON** elected officials, organizations, and community members to support the 'Elect Respect' campaign and sign the online pledge at www.electrespect.ca;
3. That a copy of this resolution **BE SENT** to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Ontario's Big City Mayors, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Niagara's MPs and MPPs, the Niagara Region, Niagara Regional Police, the Ontario Provincial Police and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police; and
4. That this resolution **BE SENT** to all of Niagara's local area municipalities with a request that their Councils pass a similar motion.

AND The Seal of the Corporation to hereto affixed.

Carried Unanimously



WILLIAM G. MATSON
CITY CLERK



JAMES M. DIODATI

Wainfleet		2025		Niagara SPCA										Monthly Statistics								
Canine Control & SPCA(Animals picked up by A/S)																						
Calls Received	Totals	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December									
Stray Dogs	7	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	2													
Stray Cats	4	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	1													
Wild life	78	6	7	6	8	10	15	13	13													
Bylaw Infractions	27	2	2	2	4	3	5	5	4													
Kennel Inspections	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0													
	0																					
Monthly Totals		9	11	10	12	15	21	20	20	0	0	0	0									
Annual Total	118																					
Total		Bylaw infractions																				
Loose Dog	14	1	2	2	1	1	3	2	2													
Excrement	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0													
Barking Complaint	6	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	2													
Dog Bites	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1													
Muzzle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0													
Other	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0													
Monthly Totals		2	2	2	4	3	5	5	5	0	0	0	0									
Annual Total	28																					
Mileage	4637	435	486	514	575	630	688	634	675													
Patrols	172	13	16	19	22	24	27	25	26													
calls & patrols		22	27	29	34	39	48	45	46	0	0	0	0									
			Shelter Services																			
Total		Admissions(public drop off animals)																				
		January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December									
Stray Dogs	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0													
Stray Cats	31	2	3	1	1	1	7	13	3													
O/Surr. Dog & Cat	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0													
wildlife	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0													
Monthly Totals		2	4	3	1	1	8	13	3	0	0	0	0									
Annual Total	35																					
Total		Adoptions																				
Dogs	7	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1													
Cats	14	0	1	0	1	0	0	5	7													
Monthly Totals		5	1	0	1	1	0	5	8	0	0	0	0									
Annual Total	21																					
Total		Claimed																				
Dogs	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1													
Cats	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0													
Monthly Totals		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0									
Annual Total	2																					
Total		Euthanized																				
Dogs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0													
Cats	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1													
Wildlife	68	6	5	6	8	8	13	10	12													
Monthly Totals		6	5	6	9	8	13	10	13	0	0	0	0									
Annual Total	70																					

From: Lori Kleinsmith <lori.kleinsmith@bridgeschc.ca>
Sent: September 15, 2025 10:07 AM
To: Amber Chrastina
Subject: Proclamation Request from Bridges Community Health Centre
Attachments: CHWM25- Wainfleet proclamation.pdf

Hi Amber,

On behalf of Bridges Community Health Centre, I am submitting a request for a proclamation from the Township of Wainfleet. It is to recognize the month of October as Community Health and Wellbeing Month.

Thank you,
Lori

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Proclamation – Community Health and Wellbeing Month 2025

WHEREAS Ontario stands together to achieve equitable health and wellbeing for everyone living here;

WHEREAS health is much more than the absence of illness; it is the complete state of physical, mental, spiritual and social wellbeing;

WHEREAS community health is essential to the wellbeing of people, the places where we live, and our health system overall;

WHEREAS better health and wellbeing begins locally, in our homes, in our schools, in our workplaces, and in the community spaces where we live, work and play;

WHEREAS treating people's illnesses and sending them back to the same conditions that produced their sickness will only result in continued ill-health and stress on our health and social systems;

WHEREAS by ensuring better health and wellbeing for all, and by creating collaborative, coordinated programs and services that confront health inequities across our entire community, we will ease pressures on our health care system and strengthen public health care across the province, part of our core values as a society;

WHEREAS community health care workers, including social workers, nurses, mental health staff, and others, continue to be paid less than their counterparts in other provinces and health care sectors, hurting the ability of the community health organizations our community depends on to retain and recruit vital personnel;

WHEREAS to achieve this future we need to transform Ontario's health system to a Community Health and Wellbeing system rooted in comprehensive primary health care that promotes equitable health and wellbeing for everyone living in Ontario and supports community health workers and their organizations to keep people well and out of the hospital;

WHEREAS during the Month of October, 2025, people across the province will be standing together in support of community health organizations and workers to build a health system with primary health care as the foundation, for the best possible and equitable wellbeing and health of all people in our community and in communities all across Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Wainfleet does hereby proclaim the Month of October, 2025, to be "Community Health and Wellbeing Month" in Wainfleet, Ontario.



**The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby
Administration**

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September 15, 2025

SENT VIA E-MAIL
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Attention: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

RE: Resolution – Support for Niagara-GTA Corridor

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby at its meeting held on September 8, 2025, passed the following resolution:

C-25-177

Moved: Councillor Baradziej

Seconded: Councillor DiFlavio

Whereas the Queen Elizabeth Way (QEW) is the primary east-west transportation corridor through Niagara; and

Whereas the Town of Grimsby is the gateway to Niagara with limited roadways travelling parallel, creating regional vulnerabilities and a bottleneck affect when incidents or delays occur on the QEW; and

Whereas transportation disruptions on the QEW result in congestion and gridlock across town(s) and the region; limits mobility for residents, businesses, and emergency services; and have direct economic and social costs on our community in Niagara; and

Whereas the Canadian Centre for Economic Analysis (CANCEA) estimated the economic and social cost of congestion in Ontario in 2024 was \$56.4 billion; and

Whereas a new corridor in the Niagara Region has the potential to increase access to businesses along the new corridor and increase efficiency of the movement of people, goods, products and services to market. All of which make Niagara more attractive to job-creating business investment, and new residents looking to live and work in Niagara; and

Whereas a strategic corridor linking the rapidly growing Waterloo Region, Hamilton, and Niagara Region has the potential to strengthen economic ties between municipalities, creating an inter-regional economic powerhouse and transportation connection serving over two million people, while reducing the bottleneck affect on the QEW in Niagara, Hamilton and the GTA; and

Re: Resolution – Support for Niagara-GTA Corridor

Whereas a new transportation corridor between Niagara and the GTA is critical for long-term regional connectivity, sustainable population growth, balanced infrastructure development, and economic development.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Town of Grimsby and Council express support for the inclusion of a new Niagara-GTA corridor as part of the ongoing Region of Niagara's Transportation Master Plan.

Be it further resolved that this motion be circulated to all Niagara municipalities, MPs and MPPs, the Provincial Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Transportation, the Premier of Ontario, Councillor Jeff Beattie's Office – Ward 10, Hamilton, the City of Hamilton, the City of Kitchener, the City of Waterloo, the City of Guelph, the City of Cambridge, the City of Brantford, and the Regional Municipality of Niagara, expressing our community's support for continued planning and investment in a Niagara-GTA corridor as a transportation priority.

If you require any additional information, please let me know.

Regards,



Victoria Steele
Town Clerk

CC:

Regional Municipality of Niagara

Local Area Municipalities

Local Area MPs

Local Area MPPs

Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure

Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation

Councillor Jeff Beattie, City of Hamilton

City of Hamilton

City of Kitchener

City of Waterloo

City of Guelph

City of Cambridge

City of Brantford