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January 30, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
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Subject: Additional Dwelling Units

The Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering considered the above matter at a Meeting held on January 22, 2024 and adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, all levels of Government recognize the lack of affordable housing;

And Whereas, the Province of Ontario has implemented as-of-right legislation permitting a maximum of 2 Additional Dwelling Units that can be constructed on most residential properties;

And Whereas, such construction must adhere to Regulations under the Ontario Building Code;

And Whereas, the costs for infrastructure and building materials to meet these regulations will make these units unattainable and unaffordable;

And Whereas, such costs would include, water, sanitary, heating, and electricity;

Now therefore be it resolved, that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Pickering directs:

1. That the Federal and Provincial Governments be requested to introduce additional measures that will provide financial support to those residential property owners who construct code compliant Additional Dwelling Units to be used for affordable rental units;
2. That all applicable public utilities, (inclusive of Elexicon Energy, Enbridge, Durham Region Works Department) be requested to waive the costs of hook up for those residential property owners who construct code compliant Additional Dwelling Units to be used for affordable rental units; and,

3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, The Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Jennifer O'Connell, MP Pickering-Uxbridge, The Honourable Premier Doug Ford, The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, MPP Pickering-Uxbridge and Minister of Finance, all Durham Region MPs and MPPs, Indrani Butany-DeSouza, CEO, Elexicon Energy, Enbridge Gas Inc., Durham Region, and all lower tier Durham Municipalities for endorsement.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 905.420.4660, extension 2019.

Yours truly,



Susan Cassel
City Clerk

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Copy: The Honourable Chrystia Freeland, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance;
The Honourable Mark Holland, MP, Ajax;
Jennifer O'Connell, MP, Pickering-Uxbridge;
Ryan Turnbull, MP, Whitby;
Colin Carrie, MP, Oshawa;
Jamie Schmale, MP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock;
The Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, MPP, Pickering – Uxbridge;
The Honourable Todd McCarthy, MPP, Durham;
Patrice Barnes, MPP, Ajax;
Lorne Coe, MPP, Whitby;
Jennifer French, MPP, Oshawa;
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Alexander Harras Regional Clerk, Director of Legislative Services, Region of Durham;
Nicole Cooper, Director of Legislative & Information Services, Town of Ajax;
June Gallagher, Municipal Clerk, Municipality of Clarington;
Chris Harris, Clerk, Town of Whitby;
Fernando Lamanna, Clerk, Township of Brock;
Debbie Leroux, Clerk, Township of Uxbridge;
Mary Medeiros, City Clerk, City of Oshawa;
Ralph Walton, Interim, City Clerk, Township of Scugog;
Indrani Butany-DeSouza, CEO, Elexicon Energy;
Donna Popovich, Senior Advisor, Municipal and Stakeholder Engagement, Enbridge Gas Inc.;
Chief Administrative Officer