



Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Office of the Prime Minister  
80 Wellington Street  
Ottawa ON K1A 0A2

August 12<sup>th</sup> 2021

Attention: Prime Minister Trudeau

**Re: Rising Costs of Building Materials**

Please be advised that on August 11<sup>th</sup> 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the Council of the City of Kitchener's motion (attached) requesting that the Federal and Provincial Governments to review actions that could be taken to help mitigate or offset the impacts related to the rising cost of building materials.

**'Motion 19**

*Moved by Gary Atkinson, Seconded by Muriel Wright that Council support item 'h' of correspondence from the City of Kitchener regarding the Rising Costs of Building Materials.*

***Motion Carried.'***

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at [ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca](mailto:ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca).

Sincerely,

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Cc: (via e-mail)  
Hon. Premiere Doug Ford  
Hon. Minister Peter Bethlenfalvy  
Hon. Minister Victor Fedeli  
Hon. Minister Steve Clark  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
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July 12, 2021

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Dear Prime Minister Trudeau:

This is to advise that City Council, at a meeting held on Monday June 28, 2021, passed the following resolution with respect to the rising cost of building materials:

“WHEREAS the prices for construction materials have seen dramatic increases during the pandemic; and,

WHEREAS reports by Statistics Canada noted that the price of lumber increased by 68 percent between March 2020 and March 2021, while fabricated metal products and construction material rose by 9 percent; and,

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has seen an accelerated overall increase in demands for construction; and,

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has deemed residential construction as essential activity during province-wide emergency declarations and stay-at-home orders; and,

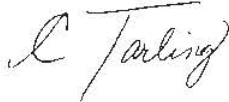
WHEREAS Kitchener City Council considers it a matter of public interest as the increase in rates and demand could result in unsustainable costs on the local construction industry;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the City of Kitchener advocate to the Federal and Provincial Governments to review actions that could be taken to help mitigate or offset the impacts related to the rising cost of building materials; and;

THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau; Honourable Doug Ford,

Premier Ontario; Honourable Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance; Honourable Hon. Victor Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs; Job Creation and Trade; local MP's and MPP's, to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all other municipalities in Ontario."

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C. Tarling".

C. Tarling  
Director of Legislated Services  
& City Clerk

c: Hon. Premiere Doug Ford  
Hon. Minister Peter Bethlenfalvy  
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