



May 22, 2024

BY EMAIL

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

Re: Housing Funding

At its Regular Council Meeting held on March 18, 2024, Council supported the enclosed correspondence dated March 7, 2024 from the City of Quinte West regarding the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund and funding for infrastructure programs. Council calls upon the Federal Government to re-evaluate the lack of funding for municipalities with a population less than 50,000 in rural Ontario and to help provide funding for infrastructure programs.

Council accordingly passed the following resolution:

R24-03-104

Moved By Councillor Verbeek
Seconded By Councillor McGuire-Blais

That the correspondence from the City of Quinte West dated March 7, 2024 requesting housing funding for municipalities be received and supported; and

That a letter of support be sent to Chris Lewis, MP Essex, Irek Kusmierczyk, MP Windsor-Tecumseh, Brian Masse, MP Windsor West, Anthony Leardi, MPP Essex, Lisa Gretzky, MPP Windsor West, Andrew Dowie, MPP Windsor-Tecumseh, and local municipalities.

Carried



We trust you will find this satisfactory. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "jmall", written in a cursive style.

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Enclosure

cc: Chris Lewis, MP Essex
Irek Kusmierczyk, MP Windsor-Tecumseh
Brian Masse, MP Windsor West
Anthony Leardi, MPP Essex
Lisa Gretzky, MPP Windsor West
Andrew Dowie, MPP Windsor-Tecumseh
County of Essex
Town of Amherstburg
Town of Kingsville
Municipality of Lakeshore
Town of LaSalle
Municipality of Leamington
Town of Tecumseh

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March 7, 2024

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RE: Notice of Motion – Councillor Stedall – Housing Funding

Dear Prime Minister:

This letter will serve to advise that at a meeting of City of Quinte West Council held on March 6, 2024 Council passed the following resolution:

Motion No 24-167 – Notice of Motion – Housing Funding

Moved by Councillor Stedall

Seconded by Councillor Armstrong

Whereas the City of Quinte West is in need of \$28M in funding to complete the West End Trunk Sewer Main replacement in 2024, which is critical in the ongoing development of new homes in Quinte West;

And Whereas the City of Quinte West requires \$58.6M in funding to upgrade the Trenton Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade building to accommodate new homes to be built;

And Whereas the City cannot afford to increase Water, Sewer or Tax rates to fund all of this infrastructure;

And Whereas increased Debt to build the projects will just increase costs to Water, Sewer and Tax rates, or increased costs to developers;

And Whereas the City of Quinte West is currently experiencing a housing crisis from all citizens but specifically with regards to over 250 requiring housing, from Military members of CFB Trenton;

And Whereas City Council approved a Housing Action Plan with a projected 831 new residential units to be completed based on anticipated Housing Accelerator Fund funding over 3 years;

And Whereas the Federal government denied the City of Quinte West the Housing Accelerator Fund;

And Whereas the City of Quinte West is not currently eligible for funding under the Provincial Building Faster Fund as its population is below the threshold;

And Whereas the City of Quinte West may make application to the provincial Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund which has only \$200M available in funding of which the province would only fund up to 73% to a maximum of \$35M for one project;

And Whereas additional funding has not been allocated from the Federal Government to enhance the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Funding;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the City of Quinte West calls on the Federal Government to re-evaluate their lack of funding for municipalities with a population less than 50,000 in rural Ontario and to make available funding for infrastructure programs to help build infrastructure to help build much-needed new homes;

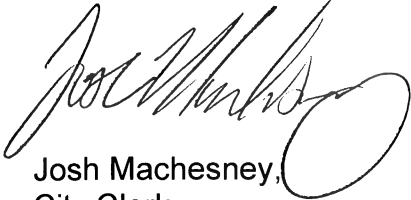
And Further That the Province of Ontario be asked to invest more than the currently allocated \$200M into their Housing Enabling Water Systems Fund;

And Further That this motion be circulated to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Federal Minister for Housing, Ryan Williams MP, Premier Doug Ford, the Provincial Ministers of MOI, MMAH, and Todd Smith MPP, and all municipalities, for their support. **Carried**

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

Yours Truly,

CITY OF QUINTE WEST



Josh Machesney,
City Clerk

cc: Hon. Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
Ryan Williams, MP, Bay of Quinte
Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Hon. Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure
Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. Todd Smith, MPP, Bay of Quinte
All Municipalities