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Via email

To All Ontario Municipalities

Re: Support for Municipality of Chatham-Kent's Resolution re Reducing Municipal Insurance Costs

City Council, at its meeting held on March 27, 2023, considered the above-noted matter and passed Resolution No. R-230327-009 as follows:

"WHEREAS escalating insurance costs are one of this Council's Advocacy Priorities in the 2022-2023 Intergovernmental Action Plan;

AND WHEREAS at the January 12, 2023 Corporate Services Committee meeting, staff presented Report CR 23-008 that highlighted the City's annual insurance premiums have increased from \$782,331 to \$1,281,512 from 2020 to 2023, representing an accumulated increase of 64% over this period;

AND WHEREAS the annual increases to the City of Owen Sound's insurance premiums have been one of the most significant constraints in limiting yearly tax levy increases over the past four years;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT City Council directs staff to send a letter to all other municipalities in Ontario supporting the Municipality of Chatham-Kent calling for action to reduce insurance costs;

AND THAT the City Manager have staff participate in any groups that may be formed through the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) or directly with other municipalities to support this effort;

AND FURTHER THAT this resolution be forwarded to the AMO, Minister of Finance, Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Steve Clark, Attorney General, Doug Downey, MPP for Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, Rick Byers, Premier Doug Ford, and MPP Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party and Leader of the Opposition."

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If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Staci Landry".

Staci Landry
Deputy Clerk

cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General
Rick Byers, MPP Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound
Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party and Leader of the
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