



The Regional Municipality of Durham COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE

Friday, March 14, 2025

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- February 18, 2025

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March 6, 2025

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queens Park,
Toronto, Ontario, M7A 1A1
Delivered via email: premier@ontario.ca

RE: U.S Tariffs on Canadian Goods.
Supporting the letter from Peterborough County dated February 5, 2025.

 Corporate Services Department Legislative Services Division	
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Please be advised that, at its regular meeting of Council held on February 11, 2025, The Corporation of the Township of Central Frontenac supported a resolution from Peterborough County, regarding U.S Tariffs on Canadian Goods.

The correspondence is attached for your consideration.

Motion #: 26-2025

THAT Council authorize staff to create a letter of support for the following correspondence received, #14 b;

AND FURTHER THAT the letters of support be sent to All Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Premier and the associated Provincial Ministers.

Kind Regards,

Cathy MacMunn AMCT ACST
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk
cmacmunn@centralfrontenac.com

cc. Hon. Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation, Hon. King Surma, Minister of Infrastructure, Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Agriculture, Hon. Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, Hon. Trevor Jones, Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health, & All Municipalities of Ontario

CM/am



February 5, 2025

To Whom it May Concern,

Re: Proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian Goods

Please note at their Regular meeting held on February 5, 2025, Peterborough County Council passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. 19-2025

Moved by Deputy Warden Senis
Seconded by Warden Clark

Whereas the federal government is currently in negotiations with the U.S. government on their proposed 25% tariffs on Canadian goods exported to the U.S.; and

Whereas Premier Doug Ford has outlined several plans to combat the impact the proposed tariffs would have on Ontario including Fortress Am-Can which focus on strengthening trade between Ontario and the U.S. while bringing good jobs back home for workers on both sides of the border; and

Whereas the federal government has also outlined several ways to address the current relationship with the U.S. including establishing the Council on Canada-U.S. relations to support the federal government as it negotiates with the U.S on tariffs; and

Whereas trade between Ontario and the United States is very important to our residents and local economies and requires all levels of government to work together in the best interest of those residents; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, across Ontario municipalities are expected to spend between \$250 and \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and



Whereas municipalities have traditionally treated all procurements from trade partners equally and fairly; and

Whereas municipalities can assist in the Team Canada effort to combat tariffs and support businesses in our procurement for capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas there are trade barriers between Canadian provinces.

Therefore, be it resolved that, the County of Peterborough supports the provincial and federal governments on the measures they have put in place in response to the proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods and ask that they take any and all measures to protect the interests of Ontario in any upcoming trade negotiations;

And that federal and provincial governments remove any impediments to municipalities preferring Canadian companies and services for capital projects and other supplies;

And that the provincial and federal governments take action to remove trade barriers between provinces as a response to US tariffs and support Canadian businesses.

And that the CAO be directed to bring back a report detailing a temporary purchasing policy that integrates and addresses these concerns;

And that County Economic Development & Tourism Division be directed to implement a “Buy Local Peterborough County, Buy Canadian” campaign to encourage residents and businesses to purchase locally made and Canadian goods and services.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this motion be sent to:

- The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
- The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
- The Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
- The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
- The Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Rebecca Bligh, President, FCM and Councillor, City of Vancouver



- Robin Jones, President, AMO and Mayor of Westport
- Bonnie Clark, Chair, Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus
- Jeff Leal, Chair, Eastern Ontario Leadership Council
- John Beddows, Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus
- All provincial and territorial Premiers.
- All local MPs and MPPs,
- All Ontario Municipalities for their support.

Carried

Should you have any questions or concerns please contact Kari Stevenson, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk at kstevenson@ptbocounty.ca.

Yours truly,

Holly Salisko
Administrative Services Assistant – Clerk's Division/Planning
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**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH DUNDAS
RESOLUTION**

Regular Meeting

Resolution: 2025-28
Date: February 12, 2025

 Corporate Services Department Legislative Services Division	
Date & Time Received:	March 07, 2025 9:21 am
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Moved By: Councillor Lennox
Seconded By: Councillor Annable

THAT the Council of the Township of North Dundas supports resolution No. 254/2024 from the Township of South Stormont passed on December 18, 2024 requesting that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead; AND FURTHER that this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support, as well as the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Transportation.

Carried

Good day,

Please be advised that Council of the Township of South Stormont passed the following resolution on December 18, 2024:

Resolution No.: 254/2024

Moved By: Councillor Reid McIntyre

Seconded by: Councillor Jennifer MacIsaac

**Whereas rural, northern, and remote municipalities are fiscally strained by maintaining extensive road networks on a smaller tax base;
And whereas preventing crashes reduces the burden on Ontario's already strained rural health care system;
And whereas roadway collisions and associated lawsuits are significant factors in runaway municipal insurance premiums; preventing car crashes can have a significant impact in improving municipal risk profiles;
Therefore, be it resolved that the Township of South Stormont requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead;
And further that this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support, as well as the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Transportation.
Result: CARRIED**

Kind regards,



Ashley Sloan, AMP

Deputy Clerk

Marriage Officiant

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The Corporation of the Township of Laird
Incorporated 1891

Clerk
Jennifer Errington, Dipl.M.A.

Mayor Stewart Roy	
 Corporate Services Department Legislative Services Division	
Date & Time Received:	March 11, 2025 2:07 pm
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Right Hon. Prime Minister, Justine Trudeau
Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

March 11, 2025

Re: EOWC Support of Canadians and Ontario Governments' Negotiations with United States Government on Trade Tariffs

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

At the Council meeting held on February 20, 2025, Laird Township Council approved Council Resolution 44-25, supporting the letter submitted by the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus regarding negotiations on Trade Tarriff's.

Motion 44-25

Moved by: Todd Ryall

Seconded by: Wayne Junor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Township of Laird supports the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus (EOWC) resolution to support the Canadian and Ontario Government's Negotiations with the United States Government on Trade Tariffs.

Carried.

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or e-mail at clerk@lairdtownship.ca.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Errington
Clerk Administrator

- cc: The Right Hon. Justine Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
- The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
- The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
- Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
- Ontario's Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
- Rebecca Bligh, President, FCM and Councillor, City of Vancouver
- Rovin Jones, President, AMO and Mayor of Westport
- Chrisa Lowry, Chair, Rural Ontario Municipal Association
- Jeff Leal, Chair, Eastern Ontario Leadership Council
- John Beddows, Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus
- All regional Members of Canadian Parliament
- All of Ontario's Municipalities

Resolution: EOWC Support of Canadian and Ontario Governments' Negotiations with the United States Government on Trade Tariffs

Moved by: Corinna Smith-Gatcke, Warden of the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville
Seconded by: Steve Ferguson, Vice-Chair, EOWC / Mayor of Prince Edward County

Whereas the Canadian government is currently in negotiations with the United States (U.S.) government on their proposed 25% tariffs on Canadian goods exported to the U.S.; and

Whereas Canada's Prime Minister and Ontario's Premier have outlined several plans to combat the impact that the proposed tariffs would have on Ontario which focus on strengthening trade between Ontario and the U.S. while bringing jobs back home for workers on both sides of the border; and

Whereas the Canadian government has also outlined several ways to address the current relationship with the U.S. including establishing the Council on Canada-U.S. relations to support the federal government as it negotiates with the U.S. on tariffs; and

Whereas trade between Ontario and the U.S. is very important to our residents and local economies, and requires all levels of government to work together in the best interest of those residents; and

Whereas according to data from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, across Ontario municipalities are expected to spend between \$250 and \$290 billion on infrastructure in the next 10 years; and

Whereas Ontario municipalities have traditionally treated trade partners equally and fairly in all procurements in accordance with our established international trade treaties; and

Whereas municipalities play a crucial role as part of the Team Canada approach to combat tariffs and support businesses in our procurement for capital and infrastructure programs; and

Whereas there are trade barriers between Canadian provinces and territories.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus supports the Canadian and Ontario governments on the measures they have put in-place in response to the proposed U.S. tariffs on Canadian goods and ask that they take any and all measures to protect the interests of Ontario in any upcoming trade negotiations, and ensure municipalities are part of the coordinated Team Canada approach;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments remove any impediments to municipalities preferring Canadian companies and services for capital projects and other supplies;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments take action to remove trade barriers between provinces as a response to U.S. tariffs and support Canadian businesses;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments remove all legislative barriers that impact the ability to buy local, and indemnify municipalities should there be challenges to buying Canadian;

And that the Canadian and Ontario governments continue to invest in infrastructure to provide stability, jobs, and support our communities' social and economic prosperity over the long-term.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this motion be sent to:

- The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
- The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
- The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities
- Doug Ford, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party
- Marit Stiles, Leader of the Ontario New Democratic Party
- Bonnie Crombie, Leader of the Ontario Liberal Party
- Mike Schreiner, Leader of the Ontario Green Party
- Ontario's Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade
- Ontario's Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Rebecca Bligh, President, FCM and Councillor, City of Vancouver
- Robin Jones, President, AMO and Mayor of Westport
- Christa Lowry, Chair, Rural Ontario Municipal Association
- Jeff Leal, Chair, Eastern Ontario Leadership Council
- John Beddows, Chair, Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus
- All regional Members of Canadian Parliament
- All candidates running as Ontario Members of Parliament
- All of Ontario's municipalities for their support

Carried



Chair Bonnie Clark, EOWC

February 10, 2025



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March 4, 2025

email: KStevenson@ptbocounty.ca

Keri Stevenson
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
The County of Peterborough
470 Water Street
Peterborough, ON
K9H 3M3

Re: Support Resolution – U.S. Tariffs on Canada/Purchasing Policies

Dear Ms. Stevenson,

Please be advised that at its meeting held the 25th day of February 2025 the Council of the Township of Selwyn passed the following resolution:

Resolution No. 2025 – 033 – Support Resolution – U.S. Tariffs on Canada/Purchasing Policies

Councillor John Boyko – Councillor Brian Henry –

That the Township of Selwyn supports the County of Peterborough’s Resolution No. 19-2025 which urges the federal and provincial governments to take all necessary actions to protect Ontario’s interests in trade negotiations with the U.S. and investigate purchasing policies; and that this motion be copied to those included in the County’s motion.

Carried.

I trust you find this in order. Please do not hesitate to contact the Selwyn Township Office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Megin Hunter
Office Assistant / Reception

Encl.

cc: The Right Hon. Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
The Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
The Hon. Melanie Joly, Minister of Foreign Affairs
The Hon. Vic Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade

The Hon. Nate Erskine-Smith, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities

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All provincial and territorial Premiers

All local MPs and MPPs

All Ontario Municipalities for their support

March 6, 2025

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, P.C., M.P.
Prime Minister of Canada
Office of the Prime Minister
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Re: Carbon Tax

Dear Prime Minister,

At the meeting of Sarnia City Council held on March 3, 2025, the following resolution was adopted:

That given the advent of the US tariffs and the economic impact on Canadians it is even more critical at this time to petition our own Federal liberal government to put a stop the 20 percent increase to the carbon tax scheduled to be implemented April 1, 2025. The vast majority of Canadians do not support the carbon tax, and the timing could not be worse for the impact to our citizens; and

That the resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, his Cabinet, Leaders of Opposition, our MP, and All Ontario Municipalities.

Your consideration of this matter is respectfully requested.

Yours sincerely,




Amy Burkhart
City Clerk

Cc: Cabinet Ministers
The Honourable Pierre Poilievre, M.P.
The Honourable Marilyn Gladu, M.P.
All Ontario Municipalities

March 6, 2025

The Honourable Arif Virani
Minister of Justice
Sent via email: arif.virani@parl.gc.ca

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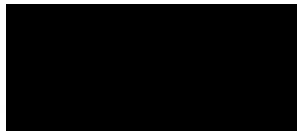
Re: Protecting Canadian Values: Ban the Nazi Swastika in Canada

Please note that at their regular meeting on March 4, 2025 the Council of the Municipality of Huron East considered the resolution from the Regional Municipality of Durham and passed the following motion:

That the Municipality of Huron East supports the motion from the Regional Municipality of Durham regarding the protection of Canadian values and banning of the Nazi Swastika in Canada.

Should you have any comments, please contact the undersigned.

Kind Regards,



Jessica Rudy
Clerk
clerk@huroneast.com
JR:ab

Encl: Resolution sent from the Regional Municipality of Durham

cc: Regional Municipality of Durham



February 28, 2025

The Honourable Arif Virani
Minister of Justice
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Virani:

**RE: Motion regarding Protecting Canadian Values: Ban the
Nazi Swastika in Canada, Our File: C00**

**The Regional
Municipality of
Durham**

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**Alexander Harras
M.P.A.
Director of
Legislative Services
& Regional Clerk**

Council of the Region of Durham, at its meeting held on February 26, 2025, adopted the following recommendations of the Committee of the Whole, as amended:

“Whereas in recent years, Nazi iconography has surfaced with alarming frequency in the public sphere, used by an increasing number of groups and individuals to promote hate and instill fear within Canadian society; and

Whereas since the atrocities of WWII, the Nazi swastika, also known as the hakenkreuze, has become universally synonymous with systematic violence, terror and hate. Its growing presence in our country poses a threat to every single Canadian citizen, undermining the core values of equality, diversity, and inclusion that define our nation, and

Whereas eighteen countries have already taken action to ban these symbols, it is imperative that Canada follow suit;

Therefore be it resolved, that Durham Region Council supports B’Nai Brith’s call to the Government of Canada to pass legislation banning, with exceptions for certain educational and artistic purposes, the public display of Nazi symbols and iconography, including the Nazi swastika (hakenkreuze). Specifically, demanding that the Government of Canada immediately:

1. Ban the Nazi swastika (hakenkreuze)

If you require this information in an accessible format, please call 1-800-372-1102 extension 2097.

2. Ban all Nazi symbols and iconography

Durham Region Council agrees that the people of Canada are counting on the federal government to ensure a future free from hate, where every Canadian is protected, valued, and respected; and

That a copy of this motion is sent to all Canadian Municipalities.”

Alexander Harras


Alexander Harras, M.P.A.
Director of Legislative Services & Regional Clerk
AH/tf

c: B'nai Brith Canada
All Canadian Municipalities

March 12, 2025

VIA EMAIL

The Hon. Doug Ford
 Legislative Building
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premier@ontario.ca

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Dear Premier Ford

Re: Motion to Request Landlord Tenant Reforms

At its Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council approved the following resolution:

Resolution 2025-79
 Moved: Councillor Giordano
 Seconded: Councillor Dykie

WHEREAS Ontario has expanded the accessory dwelling unit (ADU) framework to address the housing supply crisis, which includes the need to balance the interests of both tenants and small-scale landlords;

WHEREAS small-scale landlords may face financial strain when tenants withhold rent in bad faith, and delayed dispute resolution systems can result in undue hardship for landlords, while also affecting tenants' security and well-being;

WHEREAS it is crucial to support the development of legal ADUs and secondary rentals while ensuring tenants' rights are respected and upheld;

WHEREAS proposed reforms could include:

- Accelerating dispute resolution for ADUs and secondary rentals at the Landlord and Tenant Board (LTB) within 30 days, ensuring fairness for both tenants and landlords
- Introducing mediation services to resolve disputes quickly and amicably, reducing reliance on lengthy hearings
- Providing both landlords and tenants with enhanced tools for clear communication, such as standardized rental agreements and better screening practices

- Strengthening protections for tenants against unfair eviction while enforcing stricter penalties for tenants withholding rent in bad faith
- Ensuring law enforcement access to properties only under appropriate circumstances, respecting tenants' rights while supporting landlords in the resolution of unpaid rent issues
- Establishing a hardship relief fund for landlords impacted by unpaid rent, while ensuring tenants are also supported in cases of financial distress
- Offering free or low-cost legal assistance to both landlords and tenants to navigate disputes fairly.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council requests the provincial government to look at ways to implement these balanced reforms that protect both small-scale landlords and tenants, ensuring fairness in the rental market; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, our local Member of Provincial Parliament, President of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Attorney General, and all Ontario municipalities to support the creation of balanced protections for both landlords and tenants

CARRIED.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Regards,




Tara Reynolds
Clerk, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury
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CC: President of Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Robin Jones - resolutions@amo.on.ca
Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing - minister.mah@ontario.ca
Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General - attorneygeneral@ontario.ca
All Ontario Municipalities

March 7, 2025

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Via email: pm@pm.gc.ca

The Honourable Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
Via Email: premier@ontario.ca

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Re: Impacts of Tariffs

Please be advised the Council of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, at its special meeting held on March 6, 2025, supported the following resolution regarding the above noted matter:

Whereas Canada is facing an unfair trade war based on tariffs from the Trump administration;

And Whereas tariffs have the prospect of negatively impacting our citizens, businesses, and community organizations;

And Whereas Chatham-Kent Council is ready and prepared to stand up for our businesses and citizens, and to support Team Canada in this fight;

And Whereas the approaches taken to respond to tariffs need to consider all potential impacts of the decision, including unintended consequences;

And Whereas Council strenuously objects to the ongoing attempts to undermine Canadian sovereignty by the Trump Administration;

And Whereas Council encourages the Federal government to continue work toward negotiations on ending this Trade War;

Therefore, Chatham-Kent Municipal Council directs administration to continue its work to address the impacts of this trade war, to immediately work on the following list of actions, and to work on any other matters that could be relevant to address the impact of these unfair tariffs:

1. Administration continue its work on addressing tariff impacts, including the review of:
 - a. Approaches taken by other municipalities to ensure Chatham-Kent is adopting best practices;
 - b. Supply chains for major purchases and products that may be impacted by tariffs;

- c. Legal options for adjusting contracts and procurement processes to reduce Chatham-Kent exposure to tariffs;
 - d. Employment and support services for citizens whose jobs may be impacted by tariffs;
 - e. Opportunities to advance major projects to assist in economic stimulus;
2. Economic Development continue to:
- a. Connect with local businesses to understand impacts that tariffs are having;
 - b. Enhance existing Buy Local campaigns to help support local businesses and provide citizens with information about their purchasing decisions;
 - c. Be prepared to assist businesses with accessing senior government programs that may become available.
3. Administration be directed to support upper levels of government's "Team Canada" approach, including participating in municipal association work, and preparing advocacy to senior levels of government to address any barriers Chatham-Kent faces, and to advance the needs of our local companies;
4. Administration continue to update the www.Chatham-Kent.ca/TariffSupport webpage to keep citizens updated on the impacts of tariffs and relief programs that become available;
5. Administration report to the Mayor and Council regarding any opportunities for political collaboration between Chatham-Kent and other municipalities, municipal associations and cross-border initiatives;
6. Administration return to Council for any necessary funding requests and with updates on progress on each of the items in this motion.
7. Administration be directed to send a letter to the Federal and Provincial Governments to consider all means to decrease costs to Canadians.
8. Administration be directed to share this resolution with local MP's, MPP's, AMO, FCM, ROMA, OBCM, Border Mayor Alliance and all Ontario Municipalities.

Sincerely,

Judy Smith
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 Date: 2025.03.07 15:41:36 -05'00'

Judy Smith, CMO
 Director Municipal Governance/Clerk



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ARMOUR


RESOLUTION

Date: **March 11, 2025**

Motion # 78

That the Council of the Township of Armour supports the Regional Municipality of Durham and requests the Federal Government pass legislation banning, with exception for certain educational and artistic purposes, the public display of Nazi symbols and iconography, including the Nazi Swastika.


Moved by:	Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	Seconded by:	Blakelock, Rod	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>		Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>		Ward, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>		Whitwell, Wendy	<input type="checkbox"/>

Carried / Defeated 

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest by: _____

Recorded vote requested by: _____

<u>Recorded Vote:</u>	For	Opposed
Blakelock, Rod	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Brandt, Jerry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Haggart-Davis, Dorothy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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February 28, 2025

The Honourable Arif Virani
Minister of Justice
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Virani:

**RE: Motion regarding Protecting Canadian Values: Ban the
Nazi Swastika in Canada, Our File: C00**

**The Regional
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Durham**

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Council of the Region of Durham, at its meeting held on February 26, 2025, adopted the following recommendations of the Committee of the Whole, as amended:

“Whereas in recent years, Nazi iconography has surfaced with alarming frequency in the public sphere, used by an increasing number of groups and individuals to promote hate and instill fear within Canadian society; and

Whereas since the atrocities of WWII, the Nazi swastika, also known as the hakenkreuze, has become universally synonymous with systematic violence, terror and hate. Its growing presence in our country poses a threat to every single Canadian citizen, undermining the core values of equality, diversity, and inclusion that define our nation, and

Whereas eighteen countries have already taken action to ban these symbols, it is imperative that Canada follow suit;

Therefore be it resolved, that Durham Region Council supports B’Nai Brith’s call to the Government of Canada to pass legislation banning, with exceptions for certain educational and artistic purposes, the public display of Nazi symbols and iconography, including the Nazi swastika (hakenkreuze). Specifically, demanding that the Government of Canada immediately:

1. Ban the Nazi swastika (hakenkreuze)

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2. Ban all Nazi symbols and iconography

Durham Region Council agrees that the people of Canada are counting on the federal government to ensure a future free from hate, where every Canadian is protected, valued, and respected; and

That a copy of this motion is sent to all Canadian Municipalities.”

Alexander Harras


Alexander Harras, M.P.A.
Director of Legislative Services & Regional Clerk
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c: B'nai Brith Canada
All Canadian Municipalities



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

HELD
March 11th, 2025

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Moved by Councillor Trahan

Seconded by Councillor Kelly

WHEREAS Canada and the United States have a shared history of friendship, respect and neighbourly relations;

AND WHEREAS Canada is a sovereign nation with a peaceful history of self-governance dating to its Confederation in 1867;

AND WHEREAS the Canadian identity is marked by a deep-rooted pride in its heritage and culture founded by French and British settlement, enriched by Indigenous culture and traditions and by more than a century and a half of multi-cultural immigration;

AND WHEREAS Canada has significant global standing, consistently supporting its allies, including the United States, in global conflicts such as two world wars, and wars in Korea and Afghanistan; and in international coalitions and in being consistently recognized as among the top countries in the world for quality of life;

AND WHEREAS newly elected President Donald Trump has suggested that with the use of economic force such as tariffs, Canada should become the 51st state of the United States;

AND WHEREAS President Trump, has now imposed tariffs on imports from Canada that will have a significant detrimental impact on the economic stability in both countries;

AND WHEREAS federal and provincial leaders are encouraging Canadians to buy Canadian, at the same time as it seeks to remove inter-provincial trade barriers within Canada;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have significant purchasing power through capital and infrastructure programs and can assist in the effort to combat tariffs and support Canadian businesses by their procurement of Canadian products and services;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have traditionally been prevented by trade agreements and legislation from giving preference to the purchase of Canadian products and services;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Municipality of East Ferris categorically rejects any efforts by President Trump or any others to undermine the sovereignty of Canada, and we stand united with our provincial and federal leaders for a Canada that remains strong, free, independent, and characterized by peace, order, and good government;

AND FURTHERMORE that Council endorses the federal and provincial call to action to buy Canadian and therefore remove any impediments to municipalities preferring to engage Canadian companies for products and services when appropriate and feasible;

AND FURTHERMORE that Council encourages the provincial and federal governments to remove trade barriers between provinces in support of Canadian businesses;

AND FURTHERMORE that the CAO be directed to prepare a report detailing a temporary purchasing policy that integrates and addresses these concerns;

AND FURTHERMORE that this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Ontario Premier Doug Ford, Nipissing-Timiskaming MP Anthony Rota, Nipissing MPP Vic Fedeli, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Rural Ontario Municipal Association, Ontario Good Roads Association, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried Mayor Rochefort

CERTIFIED to be a true copy of
Resolution No. 2025-76 passed by the
Council of the Municipality of East Ferris
on the 11th day of March, 2025.



Kari Hanselman, Dipl. M.A.
Clerk

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The Regional Municipality of Durham

MINUTES

TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 18, 2025

A meeting of the Transit Advisory Committee was held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025 in Meeting Room 1-B, Regional Municipality of Durham Headquarters, 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby at 7:04 PM. Electronic participation was offered for this meeting.

1. Roll Call

Present: Commissioner Crawford, Chair
R. Claxton-Oldfield, Member at Large
P. Gunti*, Clarington, Vice-Chair
W. Henshall*, AAC
J. McEwen*, AAC
T. Ralph, Whitby
T. Smale, Member at Large
R. Smith*, Community Group, Durham Association for Family Resources
J. Westerman*, Oshawa

*** denotes members of the Committee participating electronically**

Absent: A. Ali, Ajax
A. Andrus, Community Group, Participation House
M. Bonk, Brock
I. Giffin, Uxbridge
A. Mujeeb, Pickering

Staff

Present: F. Amin, Administrative Assistant, Durham Region Transit
J. Bastarache, Manager, Communications – Chief Administrative Office
A. Burgess, Director, Communications and Engagement – Chief Administrative Office
L. Hatch, Officer, Communications – Chief Administrative Office
B. Holmes, General Manager, Durham Region Transit
R. Inacio, Systems Support Specialist, Corporate Services – IT
J. Kilgour*, Deputy General Manager, Maintenance, Durham Region Transit
S. Dessureault, Committee Clerk, Corporate Services – Legislative Services

*** denotes staff participating electronically**

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved by R. Claxton-Oldfield, Seconded by T. Ralph,
That the minutes of the regular Durham Region Transit Advisory
Committee meeting held on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, be adopted.
CARRIED

4. Presentations

A) Alison Burgess, Director, Communications and Engagement, re: Transit Focus
Communications

A. Burgess, Director, Communications and Engagement and J. Bastarache,
Manager, Communications and Engagement, provided a PowerPoint presentation
regarding Transit Focus Communications.

Highlights from the presentation included:

- What is Communications?
- Corporate Communications Tools and Tactics
- Success in 2024
- The Route Ahead for 2025
- Communications Challenges
- Next Steps

A. Burgess and B. Holmes responded to questions from the Committee regarding
accessibility considerations in the evaluation of pop-up banners on the Transit
app; DRT's bus route labels, specifically numbers compared to names; the current
social channels used by DRT; whether real-time communication is currently being
included on the On-Demand app; real-time communication at key transit
terminals; and adding audio reading for pop-ups on the Transit app.

Discussion ensued regarding the importance of providing real-time
communication through multiple channels to notify DRT users of system changes;
the various apps that can be used to track DRT buses; options for branding the
bus routes; and the 20th anniversary of DRT in 2026.

5. Delegations

There were no delegations.

6. Correspondence Items

There were no communication items to be considered.

7. Information Items

There were no information items to be considered.

8. Discussion Items

A) TAC Priority Focus Areas

B. Holmes advised the Committee of the real-time service communication improvements planned to be achieved through the business plan for 2025.

Discussion ensued regarding the communication channels that transit riders rely on for real-time updates.

B) Operator Cyclical Training

W. Henshall asked whether DRT operators are receiving cyclical/annual training and shared a recent positive experience with an operator.

B. Holmes advised that operator cyclical training resumed in 2025 and provided an overview of the training content.

Discussion ensued regarding whether cyclical training is being provided to third-party operators; and how often operator cyclical training is provided.

C) Durham Region Transit Health and Safety

Due to technical difficulties J. Westerman was experiencing, F. Amin spoke on his behalf.

F. Amin asked whether the Committee could receive copies of reported incidents involving DRT operators.

Staff advised that the information is for organizational use and not for public release, therefore it can not be shared.

D) Transit Advisory Committee Recommendations

Due to technical difficulties J. Westerman was experiencing, F. Amin spoke on his behalf.

F. Amin asked whether TAC has recently presented any recommendations to the Transit Executive Committee (TEC).

Staff advised that no recommendations have been brought forward recently.

Discussion ensued regarding the process of providing a recommendation to TEC.

9. Other Business

A) Collecting Feedback from DRT Riders

P. Gunti asked whether DRT is currently reporting or planning to report on rider feedback to DRT Customer Service, to identify key concerns.

B. Holmes advised that DRT currently collects feedback from riders through multiple channels, which included approximately 250,000 phone calls and over 5,000 e-mails in 2024. B. Holmes will review the request with staff to determine what reporting is available through the new customer relation management system, and advise the TAC at a subsequent meeting.

10. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 at 7:00 PM

11. Adjournment

Moved by T. Smale, Seconded by R. Claxton-Oldfield,
That the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.

M. Crawford, Chair, Transit Advisory Committee

S. Dessureault, Committee Clerk