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Re: Taking Action on Housing Supply and Affordability through Policy Changes

The following resolution was passed by Ajax Town Council at its meeting held on October 23, 2023:

WHEREAS between 2011 and 2021, Ajax experienced a population increase of 15.6% per cent to 126,666;

AND WHEREAS in February 2023, Ajax Council endorsed the Ontario government's Municipal Housing Pledge targeting 17,000 new housing units in Ajax by 2031;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Ajax has a fixed urban boundary and higher density housing is necessary to create new and affordable housing units and to diversify the housing stock in Ajax;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Ajax has applied for \$43.5 million from the Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) to invest in community-related infrastructure, programs, and studies that support housing;

AND WHEREAS the HAF grant program represents an opportunity for the Town to refine the policies, procedures and processes to encourage development in an effort to increase the supply of housing consistent with the Housing Pledge;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Ajax now currently permits "as-of-right" zoning permissions for up to 3 residential units in accordance with Bill 23;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Ajax would like to further promote environmental sustainability with more efficient land use and provide more affordable housing options for families by reducing barriers.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. Planning and Development staff be directed to carry out the necessary work to implement "as-of-right" zoning permissions for up to four (4) residential units on a property wherever zoning permits detached, semi-detached or street townhouse dwellings.

2. A copy of this motion be circulated to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, the Honourable Sean Fraser, Federal Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities, the Honourable Mark Holland, MP for Ajax, the Honourable Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Patrice Barnes, MPP for Ajax, John Henry, Durham Regional Chair, and Durham Regional Council.

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If you require further information please contact me at 905-619-2529 ext. 3342 or Jason.McWilliam@ajax.ca.

Sincerely,



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