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29 November 2024

The Hon. Doug Ford Premier of Ontario Legislative Building, Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

RE: Resolution - Support for Provincial Absorption of OPP Costs

Dear Premier Ford,

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Lanark Highlands passed the following resolution at their regular meeting held November 26th, 2024:

Moved by Councillor Kelso

Seconded by Reeve McLaren

THAT, the Council of the Township of Lanark Highlands expresses its support for the resolution from the Town of Midland, advocating for the full absorption of Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) costs into the provincial budget, eliminating cost recovery from municipalities;

AND THAT, a copy of this resolution be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Ministry of the Solicitor General, the Ministry of Finance, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and all municipalities across Ontario for their information and consideration.

Resolved

Sincerely.

Nicole Guthrie

Encls.

Clerk

c.c. The Solicitor General
Minister of Finance
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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MIDLAND



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November 7, 2024

Premier Ford Legislative Building Queen's Park Toronto ON M7A 1A1 Via email: premier@ontario.ca

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Sustainable Funding for Small Urban Municipalities

At its November 6, 2024 Regular Council Meeting the Council for the Town of Midland passed the following Resolution:

WHEREAS it is apparent that the Ontario Government has overlooked the needs of Ontario's small urban municipalities; and

WHEREAS Ontario's small urban municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads, water/ wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities, libraries and other tangible capital assets; and

WHEREAS an increase of 26% one year, which is a million dollars (roughly 4% tax increase) for Midland and is something never projected;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT The Town of Midland call on the Ontario Government to immediately implement sustainable funding for small urban municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities; and

FURTHER THAT the OPP Billing Model be referred to the Auditor General for review: and

FURTHER THAT Council direct Staff to circulate this resolution to Premier Doug Ford (premier@ontario.ca), Minister of Solicitor General, Minister of Finance, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (amo@amo.on.ca) and all Municipalities in Ontario.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MIDLAND

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Sherri Edgar, AMCT Municipal Clerk Ext. 2210

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