




The Corporation of  
The Township of Brock  
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December 17, 2024

The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau  
Office of the Prime Minister  
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Dear Prime Minister Trudeau

Re: Motion Requesting the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

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The Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brock, at their meeting held on December 16, 2024, adopted Resolution **C-2024-279**:

**“Whereas** municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

**Whereas** the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

**Whereas** the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

**Whereas** the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

**Whereas** redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

**Whereas** a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

**Now Therefore** Be It Hereby Resolved That the Township of Brock formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

**Be It Further Resolved** That the Township of Brock calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and

If this information is required in an accessible format,  
please contact the Township at 705-432-2355.

**Be It Further Resolved** That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and

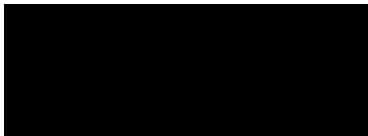
**Be It Further Resolved** That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and

**Be It Further Resolved** That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.”

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Clerks@Brock.ca.

Yours truly,

THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK



Fernando Lamanna  
Clerk/Deputy CAO

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- cc. Honourable D. Ford, Premier, Province of Ontario
- Honourable P. Bethlenfalvy, Minister of Finance
- Honourable P. Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Jamie Schmale, MP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock
- Jamil Jivani, MP, Durham
- Laurie Scott, MPP, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)
- Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)