



**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE  
MEETING AGENDA  
MONDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2025 AT 6:00 P.M.**

**DR. S. F. MONESTIME MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
160 WATER STREET, MATTAWA ON**

**Zoom Meeting Access: 1-647-374-4685  
Meeting ID Code: 871 0409 6506  
Passcode: 879124**

**1. Meeting Called to Order**

- 1.1 To appoint a Chair of the Community Services Committee
- 1.2 To appoint a Vice Chair of the Community Services Committee

**2. Announce Electronic Participants**

**3. Adoption of Agenda**

- 3.1 To Adopt the agenda as presented or amended
  - That the agenda dated February 3, 2025 be adopted

**4. Disclosures of a Conflict of Interest**

**5. Adoption of Minutes**

- 5.1 Regular Meeting of March 4, 2024
- 5.2 To adopt the minutes as presented or amended
  - That Council adopt the March 4, 2024 minutes

**6. Presentations and Delegations**

**7. Notice of Motions**

**8. Correspondence**

- 8.1 Town of Aylmer – Support Cycling Lanes & Municipal Authority in Transportation Planning
- 8.2 City of Toronto – Declaring Toronto a Paid Plasma Free Zone
- 8.3 Ministry of Natural Resources – Regulating Commercial Scale Geologic Carbon Storage Projects in Ontario
- 8.4 City of Hamilton – Opposing the Proposed Provincial Initiative Seeking to Restrict or Limit the Autonomy of Municipalities in Implementing Road Safety Measures

**9. Committee Reports**

**10. In Camera (Closed) Session**

**11. Return to Regular Session**

**12. Motions Resulting from Closed Session**

**13. Adjournment**

13.1 Adjournment of the meeting

- That the February 3, 2025 meeting adjourn at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

DATE: MONDAY FEBURARY 3, 2025

1.1

**THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA  
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR \_\_\_\_\_

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**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Community Services Committee appoints Councillor  
\_\_\_\_\_ as Chair of the Committee.

DATE: MONDAY FEBURARY 3, 2025

1.2

**THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA  
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR \_\_\_\_\_

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**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Community Services Committee appoints Councillor  
\_\_\_\_\_ as Vice Chair of the Committee.

DATE: MONDAY FEBURARY 3, 2025

3.1

**THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA  
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR \_\_\_\_\_

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**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda dated Monday February 3, 2025 be adopted.

## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MATTAWA

The minutes of the Community Services Committee Meeting held Monday, March 4, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Dr. S.F. Monestime Council Chambers.

Council Present: Councillor Dexture Sarrazin  
Councillor Fern Levesque  
Councillor Garry Thibert

Visiting Council: Mayor Raymond A. Bélanger

Staff Present: Sabrina Poullas, Municipal Deputy Clerk  
Paul Laperriere, Interim CAO/Treasurer  
Barry Jackson, Public Works Supervisor

\*When a recorded vote is requested and the minutes indicate the recorded vote was "Unanimous" it means all Councillors present and noted above voted in favour unless otherwise indicated.

### 1. Meeting Called to Order

Meeting Called to Order by Deputy Clerk Sabrina Poullas at 6:00 p.m.

#### 1.1 To appoint a Chair for the Community Services Committee

##### **Resolution Number COM24-01**

Moved by Councillor Fern Levesque

Seconded by Garry Thibert

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Community Services Committee appoints Councillor Dexture Sarrazin as Chair of the Committee

**CARRIED** – unanimous

#### 1.2 To appoint a Vice Chair for the Community Services Committee

##### **Resolution Number COM24-02**

Moved by Councillor Garry Thibert

Seconded by Councillor Dexture Sarrazin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Community Services Committee appoints Councillor Fern Levesque as Vice Chair of the Committee.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

### 2. Announce Electronic Participants

Clerk announced no member of the public participating electronically

### 3. Adoption of Agenda

#### 3.1 To Adopt the agenda as presented or amended

##### **Resolution Number COM24-03**

Moved by Vice Chair Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Garry Thibert

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the agenda dated Monday, March 4, 2024 be adopted.  
**CARRIED** – unanimous

**4. Disclosures of a Conflict of Interest**

**5. Adoption of Minutes**

**6. Presentations and Delegations**

**7. Notice of Motions**

**8. Correspondence**

**9. Committee Reports**

9.1 Fire Department Update – Report # 24-01COM

**Resolution Number COM24-04**

Moved by Vice Chair Fern Levesque

Seconded by Chair Dexture Sarrazin

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Community Services Committee receives Report #R24-01COM titled Fire Department Update.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

**10. In Camera (Closed) Session**

**11. Return to Regular Session**

**12. Motions Resulting from Closed Session**

**13. Adjournment**

13.1 Adjournment of the meeting

**Resolution Number COM24-05**

Moved by Vice Chair Fern Levesque

Seconded by Councillor Garry Thibert

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the March 4, 2024 meeting adjourn at 6:40 p.m.

**CARRIED** – unanimous

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Chair

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Clerk

DATE: MONDAY FEBURARY 3, 2025

5.2

**THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA  
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR \_\_\_\_\_

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**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Community Servies Committee adopt the minutes of the meeting of March 4, 2024.





January 9, 2025

The Honorable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Re: Motion regarding Opposition to Provincial Legislation on Cycling Lanes and Support for Municipal Authority in Transportation Planning

At their Regular Meeting of Council on January 8, 2025, the Council of the Town of Aylmer endorsed the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has announced legislation requiring provincial approval for new cycling lanes;

AND WHEREAS this legislation would compel municipalities to demonstrate that proposed cycling lanes will not negatively impact vehicle traffic;

AND WHEREAS cycling infrastructure is crucial for environmental transportation, road safety, and public health, and provincial oversight in this matter represents an unwarranted intrusion into municipal authority;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Aylmer is evolving an active transportation plan to enhance walking and cycling infrastructure;

AND WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) has strongly criticized this proposed legislation as a "significant overreach" into municipal jurisdiction;

AND WHEREAS AMO has stated that none of its 444 member municipalities were consulted or shown evidence justifying the province's proposed veto power over new bike lanes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the Town of Aylmer strongly opposes the proposed provincial legislation governing bicycle lanes and affirms its support for maintaining municipal jurisdiction over cycling infrastructure decisions.

2. That the Town of Aylmer endorses the AMO's position that municipalities are better positioned than the Ministry of Transportation to make decisions about local transportation matters based on local knowledge and community input.
3. That the Town of Aylmer calls on the Government of Ontario to withdraw the proposed legislation and respect the established authority of municipalities to make informed decisions about local transportation needs, including the implementation of cycling lanes.
4. That the Town of Aylmer reaffirms its commitment to its transportation plan and the continued development of safe, environmentally friendly, efficient cycling infrastructure for the benefit of all residents.
5. That the Town Clerk be directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transportation, the Member of Provincial Parliament representing constituencies within the Elgin-Middlesex-London region, to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario ([amo@amo.on.ca](mailto:amo@amo.on.ca)) and all Municipalities in Ontario.
6. That the Town of Aylmer calls upon municipalities across Ontario to adopt similar resolutions in defense of local decision-making authority and sustainable, efficient and environmentally friendly transportation planning.

Thank you,

**Owen Jaggard**

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**In reply please quote:  
Ref.: 24-MM23.1**

(Sent by Email)

December 20, 2024

**ALL ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES:**

**Subject: Member Motion Item 23.1  
Declaring Toronto a Paid-Plasma-Free Zone - by Councillor Chris Moise,  
seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo (Ward All)**

City Council on November 13 and 14, 2024, adopted [Item MM23.1](#) and in doing so, has forward this item to Canadian Blood Services, federal, provincial and territorial Ministers of Health, Grifols Pharmaceuticals, and all Ontario Municipalities and requested that they support only voluntary blood and plasma collection, where donors do not receive payment for their blood or plasma.

Yours sincerely,

*Niko Markakis*, for

for City Clerk

S. Przewdziecki/mp

Attachment

Sent to: All Ontario Municipalities  
Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Blood Services  
Chief Executive Officer, Grifols Canada

c. City Manager

## City Council

### Member Motions - Meeting 23

MM23.1	ACTION	Adopted		Ward: All
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### **Declaring Toronto a Paid-Plasma-Free Zone - by Councillor Chris Moise, seconded by Councillor Alejandra Bravo**

#### **City Council Decision**

City Council on November 13 and 14, 2024, adopted the following:

1. City Council express its opposition to the operation of private for-profit blood collection companies in the City.
2. City Council forward this item to Canadian Blood Services, federal, provincial and territorial Ministers of Health, Grifols Pharmaceuticals, and all Ontario Municipalities and request that they support only voluntary blood and plasma collection, where donors do not receive payment for their blood or plasma.

#### **Summary**

In the City of Toronto, we uphold the principle of voluntary blood and plasma donation, acknowledging its vital importance as a public good. Our commitment derives from the lessons of Canada's tainted blood crisis, which tragically claimed approximately 8,000 lives. The subsequent Royal Krever Commission urged a fully voluntary, non-payment oriented blood and plasma donation system.

Within our Ontario healthcare system, we perceive blood donations as a priceless public resource, underscoring the need to safeguard the integrity of the public, voluntary donor system.

The Voluntary Blood Donations Act of Ontario strengthens this stance, legislating against the payment of donors and prohibiting donors from receiving financial compensation for their blood or plasma.

Canada Blood Services plans to open five paid plasma clinics, including one in Toronto, by 2025. This issue needs immediate attention and action. The public health community has raised concerns about Grifols Pharmaceuticals' plans to open a Toronto clinic. It's vital we protect vulnerable residents from exploitation by for-profit plasma collection companies offering cash for blood-plasma, a predatory practice.

In bringing this motion forward, we strive to reinforce the principles of voluntary, non-remunerated blood and plasma donation, protecting both the integrity of Canada's public blood system and the dignity of blood donors.

## **Background Information (City Council)**

Member Motion MM23.1

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-249600.pdf>

Attachment 1 - Resolution to Declare the City of Hamilton a "No Paid Plasma Zone"

<https://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2024/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-250144.pdf>

**Ministry of Natural Resources**

Development and Hazard Policy Branch  
Policy Division  
300 Water Street  
Peterborough, ON K9J 3C7

**Ministère des Richesses naturelles**

Direction de la politique d'exploitation des  
ressources et des risques naturels.  
Division de l'élaboration des politiques  
300, rue Water  
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November 25, 2024

Subject: *Decision on Discussion Paper: Regulating Commercial-Scale Geologic Carbon Storage Projects in Ontario, and Proposal on Enabling the Development of Commercial-Scale Geologic Carbon Storage in Ontario: The Geologic Carbon Storage Act*

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Hello,

Over the past two years, the Ministry of Natural Resources has been taking a measured and phased approach to enabling and regulating geologic carbon storage in Ontario. Carbon storage is new to the province, and developing a comprehensive framework to regulate this activity would help ensure that it is done responsibly, with measures in place to safeguard people and the environment.

Geologic carbon storage (further referred to as carbon storage) involves injecting captured carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) into deep geological formations for permanent storage. This technology could provide industries in Ontario with a critical tool for managing their emissions and contributing to the achievement of Ontario's emissions reduction targets.

Today, we are writing to notify you that 1) a decision has been made to proceed with the development of a framework for enabling commercial-scale geologic carbon storage (Environmental Registry of Ontario posting # 019-8767), and 2) that a new *Geologic Carbon Storage Act* is being proposed (Environmental Registry of Ontario posting # 019-9299).

These developments represent significant steps towards Phase 3 of Ontario's [approach to enabling and regulating geologic carbon storage](#). Ontario aims to have a framework in place by summer 2025. Initially, the ministry anticipates that commercial-scale projects would be proposed in Southwestern Ontario, where the geology is expected to be the most suitable.

- 1) In the summer of this year, we shared information about the development of a legislative and regulatory framework for commercial-scale geologic carbon storage. This information included a discussion paper that provided an overview of how various components of the framework could function. Based on feedback received, a decision was made to move forward with the development of the framework.

More details on the decision, the feedback received, and the original discussion paper can be viewed in the decision notice on the Environmental Registry of Ontario: <https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-8767>.

- 2) Based on comments received in response to the discussion paper, as well as feedback received in previous phases of framework development, a *Geologic Carbon Storage Act* (the “Act”) is being proposed. The proposed Act would enable the regulation of research and evaluation activities, and carbon storage activities associated with the permanent storage of carbon dioxide in underground geologic formations in Ontario.

We encourage you to review, and submit feedback on, the legislative proposal on the [Environmental Registry of Ontario posting # 019-9299](#).

If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact Andrew Ogilvie, Manager of Resources Development Section, at 705-761-5815 or through email: [Resources.Development@ontario.ca](mailto:Resources.Development@ontario.ca).

Sincerely,



Jennifer Keyes  
Director, Development and Hazard Policy Branch



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**Hamilton**

November 19, 2024

Via Email: premier@ontario.ca  
Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

**Re: Opposing the Proposed Provincial Initiative that Seeks to Restrict or Limit the Autonomy of Municipalities in Implementing Road Safety Measures**

Hamilton City Council, at its meeting held on Wednesday, November 13, 2024, passed the following resolution:

**7.1 Opposing the Proposed Provincial Initiative that Seeks to Restrict or Limit the Autonomy of Municipalities in Implementing Road Safety Measures**

**(Kroetsch/Cassar)**

WHEREAS, the safety of all road users, including cyclists, is a paramount concern and a fundamental responsibility of both provincial and municipal governments;

WHEREAS, crashes involving motor vehicles pose significant risks to cyclists, pedestrians, and other vulnerable road users, leading to serious injuries and fatalities;

WHEREAS, the implementation of safe road infrastructures, such as bike lanes, is a proven measure to enhance the safety and accessibility of roadways for cyclists, promoting healthier and sustainable transportation options;

WHEREAS, the Office of the Chief Coroner of Ontario ("OCC") conducted the Cycling Death review, which was the most comprehensive death review into the causes of cycling deaths in Ontario;

WHEREAS, the OCC made its primary recommendation to the province the adoption of "Complete Streets" which emphasize the need for comprehensive planning and design of roadway infrastructure to safely accommodate all users, including through the installation of more cycling networks including bike lanes;



WHEREAS, municipal governments have the local knowledge and contextual understanding necessary to effectively address specific community transportation needs, including the development and maintenance of safe cycling infrastructure within their cities;

WHEREAS, any provincial initiative that seeks to prevent or preclude municipalities from implementing necessary road safety measures, such as bike lanes, undermines local governance and the ability of municipalities to protect the well-being of their residents and ensure compliance with their obligations that roadways are reasonably safe for all users; and

WHEREAS, this resolution expresses the City of Hamilton's commitment to supporting municipal autonomy in enhancing road safety and emphasizes the importance of integrating protective measures for cyclists through locally tailored infrastructure solutions.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- (a) That Hamilton City Council formally oppose any proposed provincial initiative that seeks to restrict or limit the autonomy of municipalities in implementing road safety measures, including the establishment and or removal of bike lanes or bike infrastructure;
- (b) That Hamilton City Council supports the empowerment of municipal road authorities to independently assess and recommend the best methods to ensure the safety of all road users within their jurisdictions and responsibilities; and
- (c) That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; the Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, the Minister of Transportation; the Honourable Paul Calandra, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; the area MPPs and MPs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities.

Sincerely,



Matthew Trennum  
City Clerk

cc. Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation  
Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Area MPPs and MPs,  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
All Ontario Municipalities

DATE: MONDAY FEBURARY 3, 2025

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**THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA  
COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR \_\_\_\_\_

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**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the February 3, 2025 meeting adjourn at \_\_\_\_\_ p.m.