



**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL
MONDAY, JUNE 26TH, 2023
7:00 P.M.**

3. PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

4. CORRESPONDENCE

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POLICY UPDATE

June 20, 2023

AMO Policy Update - Action on Municipal Codes of Conduct, Summary of Ending Homelessness Symposium, Bill 97 Passes

AMO Encourages Member Action on Municipal Codes of Conduct and Enforcement

AMO's Board and members have been very clear: a safe and respectful workplace is a basic expectation. All council members agree to follow a Code of Conduct when they are sworn into office. However, sometimes there have been incidents when a council member's behaviour clearly crosses the line and councils have limited ability to enforce the Codes.

AMO, other municipal organizations such as ROMA and OBCM and 84 municipalities have lent their support to making changes to improve enforcement of Codes of Conduct. However, with the defeat of Bill 5, more direct action from municipal councils is required. That is why AMO is asking our members to **meet with your local MPPs before the AMO Conference in August to request that the Government of Ontario introduce legislation to enact our recommended changes.**

[Key messages](#) are linked to help guide your conversations with your local provincial representatives. Municipal governments working together make positive change happen.

Summary of Proceedings from AMO's Ending Homelessness Symposium

On May 3-4, 2023, AMO hosted the Ending Homelessness Symposium in Toronto, which brought together around 250 people including municipal elected officials and staff, Indigenous organizations and other sector partners.

A central aim of the symposium was to create a platform for dialogue to share and understand various perspectives and experiences with homelessness across the province, and to move towards building coordinated and strategically aligned solutions. Given this aim, multiple sessions were held that addressed the various perspectives and facets on the root causes of homelessness – including income insecurity, insufficient supply of deeply affordable housing, insufficient responses to mental health and addictions challenges and potential policy responses required. Since governments, community and healthcare partners, as well as the private sector all have a role to play, these sessions brought together these diverse actors.

This [Summary of Proceedings](#) summarizes key takeaways from each session, and will be used by AMO's staff, Task Forces, and Board of Directors to inform ongoing advocacy positions and strategy.

Bill 97, Helping Homebuyers, Protecting Tenants Act, 2023 Passes

Bill 97 received [Royal Assent](#) on June 8, 2023. The Bill amends the Building Code Act, 1992; City of Toronto Act, 2006; Development Charges Act, 1997; Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Act, 1999; Municipal Act, 2001; Planning Act, 1990; and Residential Tenancies Act, 2006. AMO prepared several submissions in response to the consultations on the Bill, which can be found on our [website](#). AMO also delivered [remarks](#) to complement a [written submission](#) to the Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy on Bill 97. AMO staff are currently preparing a submission for the [ongoing consultation](#) on the Provincial Planning Statement, which will be submitted ahead of the August 4, 2023 deadline.

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June 16, 2023

Advocacy Update: Strong Mayor Powers Expanding to More Municipalities

Following a meeting with Ontario Big City Mayors this morning, Minister Clark has announced that the Government is expanding "strong mayor powers" to 26 additional municipalities beyond the City

of Ottawa and the City of Toronto, **effective July 1, 2023**. This extension would be made by adding municipalities to **O. Reg. 530/22** under the *Municipal Act*.

Once the regulation is in effect, a head of council of a listed municipality can choose whether to use these permissive authorities.

The municipalities that will be added to the regulation include:

Town of Ajax	City of Markham
City of Barrie	Town of Milton
City of Brampton	City of Mississauga
City of Brantford	City of Niagara Falls
City of Burlington	Town of Oakville
Town of Caledon	City of Oshawa
City of Cambridge	City of Pickering
City of Clarington	City of Richmond Hill
City of Guelph	City of St. Catharines
City of Hamilton	City of Vaughan
City of Kingston	City of Waterloo
City of Kitchener	Town of Whitby
City of London	City of Windsor

These 26 additional municipalities are single- or lower-tier municipalities with a population over 100,000 or projected to grow to 100,000 by 2023. These municipalities have also submitted a **housing pledge** to the Province.

Of note, during media availability following the announcement, Minister Clark indicated that more municipalities will be receiving a letter inviting them to sign a housing pledge and consideration will be given to adding more municipalities to the regulation.

Minister Clark also confirmed that the additional powers given to these 26 municipalities are the same as what was given to Ottawa and Toronto, and that the Provincial priorities prescribed in **O. Reg. 580/22** remained unchanged.

AMCTO has long advised that without providing reasonable timelines to implement Provincially mandated changes to structures, governance or other matters, the Province continues to place undue administrative and operational burden on municipal staff who must implement these initiatives.

In August of 2022, AMCTO presented to the Standing Committee on Heritage, Infrastructure and Cultural Policy regarding Bill 3: *Strong Mayors, Building Homes Act, 2022*. **Our submission** expressed concerns about the effective removal of non-partisan local government management professionals, especially the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), and the impact this could have on

the politicization of senior and other local government officials. We also emphasized the additional undue administrative burden this change could have on our members and other municipal staff.

In addition, we also responded to the Government's regulatory proposals regarding prescribed **Provincial priorities** related to the *Act*, and **matters that bring Part VI.1** of the *Act* into effect. We once again urged the Province to consider how implementation of these changes would work on the ground, including impacts on local governance, operational matters, and already limited municipal finances, resources and staff capacity.

As an Association representing municipal staff, we play an important role in facilitating conversations on the practical considerations regarding the implementation of 'strong mayor' authority. With this in mind, we will continue to work together with Toronto and Ottawa to bring information and considerations for implementing 'strong mayor powers' to our members and other affected municipalities. Stay tuned for more information on this to come.

For more information or to discuss further, please contact:

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**The Corporation of the
Municipality of Mississippi Mills**

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Council Meeting

Resolution Number 162-23

Title: Item D- South Glengarry Resolution re: Rural Education Funding

Date: Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Moved by Councillor Holmes

Seconded by Councillor Souter

THAT Council supports South Glengarry's resolution re: Rural Education Funding.

CARRIED

I, Casey Munro, Deputy Clerk for the Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution enacted by Council.

Casey Munro, Deputy Clerk



CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH GLENGARRY

MOVED BY Stephanie Jaworski

RESOLUTION NO 119-2023

SECONDED BY Martin Lang

DATE April 3, 2023

WHEREAS an announcement was recently made by the Ontario Public School Boards' Association asking for the Government of Ontario to lift the moratorium on pupil accommodation reviews (and school closures) prior to the end of the 2022-2023 school year;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Township of South Glengarry passed a resolution on June 20, 2022 in support of the Community Schools Alliance's Three Point Action Plan designed to improve access to public education in rural and norther communities; namely:

THAT the Province of Ontario increase the Rural and Northern Education Fund (RNEF) to \$50 million;

THAT should the moratorium be lifted, that the moratorium remain in place for schools that qualify for the RNEF until a thorough review of the education funding formula is completed;

THAT before templates required by the 2018 Pupil Accommodation Review Guideline are developed, there be consultation with school boards and community groups including the Community Schools Alliance;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Minister of Education, has acknowledged the negative social and economic impact school closures have on Rural and Northern Ontario communities, and committed to a review of the process to better reflect the needs of Rural and Northern Ontario prior to the lifting of the moratorium,

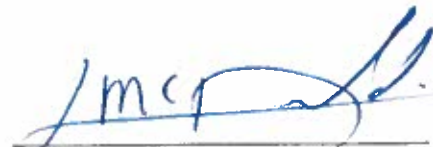
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of South Glengarry hereby respectfully requests that the Province of Ontario, through the Minister of Education, provide an update on the status of any review to rural education funding, including the RNEF and the 2018 Pupil Accommodation Review guidelines.

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AND FURTHERMORE that this resolution be forwarded to the Premier, the Minister of Education, MPP Nolan Quinn, AMO, ROMA, EOWC and all Ontario municipalities.

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Mayor Lachlan McDonald

Recorded Vote:	Yes	No
Mayor McDonald	___	___
Deputy Lang	___	___
Councillor Jaworski	___	___
Councillor McDonell	___	___
Councillor Bougie	___	___

Info

From: FONOM Office/ Bureau de FONOM <fonom.info@gmail.com>
Sent: June 15, 2023 10:06 AM
Subject: FONOM's House Resolution - Seeking Support
Attachments: Municipality Version of Housing Resolution.pdf; Email for FONOM Housing Resolution.pdf

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Good morning

PLEASE SHARE THIS EMAIL WITH YOUR COUNCIL

A need for affordable housing and support for people at risk of homelessness impacts every community across Ontario. Many Councils have supported previous housing Resolutions, seeking help to address the challenges seen in our communities. For several years, FONOM has heard Minister Steve Clark comment about Ontario needing a better deal from the Federal Government. Below is a part of Minister Clark's speech at the 2022 AMO Conference.

"Ontario is currently being underfunded by approximately \$490 million for housing and homelessness over the term of the National Housing Strategy based on the province's level of Core Housing Need, which is the highest in the country." Also, stated, "We need our municipal partners to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with us and urge the federal government to pay its fair share, so we can continue working together to deliver support and resources to vulnerable populations."

FONOM is non-partisan, but the Board believes supporting more funding to address Ontario's Housing challenges should be supported! Therefore, the Board has written and Supported the attached Resolution, and they firmly ask for your consideration and support at your Councils. The Resolution is lengthy, but it speaks to the data, the current funding, and what should be changed to help Ontario achieve better.

Thanks you

Danny Whalen

President of FONOM

PS: Attached in the second document are the email addresses mentioned in the last paragraph of the Resolution. Also, a Word Version of the Resolution will be available upon request.

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WHEREAS the Federal and Provincial Governments need to support their most vulnerable households, the ones who are or are at risk of becoming homeless. Overall, housing and services for low-income, vulnerable, or marginalized people should be a primary consideration moving forward so we help those who need it the most.

WHEREAS the _____Community _____ understands every community across Ontario is impacted by a need for affordable housing and support for people at risk of homelessness. Municipal governments are working in collaboration with all orders of government to invest in permanent solutions to the housing and homelessness crisis in Ontario.

WHEREAS the _____Community _____ understands that the Federal **National Housing Strategy** allocation formula to provinces and territories for jointly funded housing initiatives, roughly follows their share of the national population. This approach leaves Ontario underfunded because, as per the 2021 Census figures, the number of Ontario households in **Community Housing Network** as a share of the national total is 44.1 percent, which is well above the provincial share of the national population at 38.5 percent. This is also by far the highest share of national **Community Housing Network** relative to every other province and territories.

WHEREAS receiving a by-population allocation from the federal government hampers Ontario's ability to reach more of those households in need that require assistance with housing.

WHEREAS the lack of ongoing federal operating funding for **National Housing Strategy** initiatives leads to significant underfunding for subsidized housing projects and can undermine the physical and financial viability of the community housing stock.

WHEREAS a similar situation occurs with federal homelessness funding to Ontario through **Reaching Home**, where the share allocated to Ontario is also below the provincial share of **Community Housing Network** nationally.

WHEREAS there is an inequitable distribution of **Reaching Home** funding in Ontario as only 25 of 47 Service Managers have designated communities receiving funding under the program, despite the prevalence of need across the entire Province.

WHEREAS _____Community _____ understand the federal government takes the position that its role is to provide capital funding while Provinces and Territories are to fund operating expenses, but this approach does not create an equitable sharing of the burden of funding long-term operating costs, which continue for the life of a project.

WHEREAS taken altogether, the underfunding to Ontario for housing and homelessness relative to its share of national **Canadian Housing Network** amounts to approximately \$480 million over the term of the Federal **National Housing Strategy**.

WHEREAS the federal government previously provided leadership in ensuring the long-term financial and physical viability of the social housing stock under the **Social Housing Agreement** for several decades through federal social housing operating agreements that provided funding for both mortgages and operating costs.

WHEREAS without some flexibility on the part of the federal government, Ontario and its municipalities will be poorly positioned to take advantage of this funding, and this will turn into a significant missed opportunity, leading to a further deterioration in the long-term physical and financial sustainability of the community housing stock.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, _____Community _____ also supports the provincial ask for federal operating funding for **National Housing Strategy** initiatives.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED would appreciate the federal effort to repurpose this funding quickly from the main **National Housing Co-Investment Fund** program line, Service Managers across the province have indicated their challenges with meeting the terms of the federal proposal, particularly as they relate to cost matching and meeting the requirements for greenhouse gas emissions, energy efficiency and accessibility.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that _____Community _____ would like need-driven indicators incorporated into the funding allocation formulas for all federal programs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that FONOM appreciates the federal government's commitment to end chronic homelessness and wishes this to be inclusive across all areas of our province by expanding Reaching Home funding to all Service Managers.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, FONOM also supports the provincial position in relation to the provinces and territories **Repair Fund** under the **National Housing Co-Investment Fund**

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, FONOM supports the Province of Ontario position on the application-based \$4 billion federal **Housing Accelerator Fund**. We wish to emphasize the importance of providing municipalities with maximum support in preparing applications to the HAF, understanding that some rural and northern municipalities may face capacity challenges in applying to this program on the anticipated tight timelines.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, _____Community _____ wish to request that **Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation** consider actions taken by municipalities under the province's **Housing Supply Action Plans** into account when assessing municipal applications, recognizing that these initiatives have the potential to significantly increase the supply of housing in our communities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, _____Community _____ believes the lack of ongoing federal operating funding for **National Housing Strategy** initiatives leads to significant underfunding for subsidized housing projects and can undermine the physical and financial viability of the community housing stock.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, _____ Community _____ believe the federal government should heed the precedent of the **Social Housing Agreement** and recommit itself to funding operating costs that often stretch out over decades for the lifetime of a housing project. As an example, the **Rapid Housing Initiative's** 20-year affordability requirement and lack of federal operating dollars will very likely result in housing providers asking Service Managers and the provincial government to fund operating expenses to ensure the long-term affordability of units given housing providers' limited revenue-raising capacity.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED This lack of ongoing federal operating funding for **National Housing Strategy** initiatives leads to significant underfunding for subsidized housing projects and can undermine the physical and financial viability of the community housing stock.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, _____ Community _____ urges the Federal Government provide additional funding for Ontario so that we can deal with our shortages of safe and affordable housing and at the same time build safer and healthier communities for all our residents.

FURTHER IT BE RESOLVED THAT a Copy of the Resolution be forward to the individuals listed below for consideration and support, Prime Minister Trudeau, Minister Ahmed Hussen, _____Your Federal Member _____, Premier Ford, Minister Clark, __your _____ Member of Provincial Legislation, Leaders of the Federal and Provincial Opposition Parties, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities.