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RE: Association of Municipalities Report

I attended the 2024 Association of Ontario Municipalities Conference and participated in delegations and several workshops and sessions as listed below. Town priorities were discussed and I was updated on several topics related to municipalities as follows.

August 19

- Keynote, Andrew Coyne, Ontario Chief Abram Benedict, Colin Best, AMO President
Council learned about trends in engagement between community member and elected officials.
- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Address
- Energy & Electrification
Hon. Minister Stephen Lecce
This meeting was with Minister of Energy and Electrification Stephen Lecce to share local challenges meeting the electrical capacity demands for new development and discuss opportunities for government interventions that promote local innovation and increase consumer access to low carbon energy utilities.
ASKS: Ensure Caledon has sufficient clean electricity supply to power new residential and employment growth and to meet our decarbonization goals.
 - Ensure Independent Electricity System Operator and Hydro One plan for appropriate capacity to support the Town's growth and GHG emissions targets.
 - Enhance opportunities for municipal participation in the clean energy economy.Outcome: Demonstrated transparency and accountability to the advancement of the Town's environmental targets, such as the Resilient Caledon Community Climate Change Action Plan, and action on power issues reported by constituents.

- Attorney General Doug Downey Delegation
Hon. Doug Downey
The purpose of this meeting was to highlight the impact that Caledon's growing population pressure is having on access to justice; and seek collaboration to remedy the local issue while helping accelerate provincial efforts to address the court backlog.
ASKS: Direct ministry staff to collaborate with the Town of Caledon on court facility planning, POA Justice of the Peace allocations, and modernization opportunities.
Outcome: Demonstrated proactive planning and intergovernmental collaboration to account for a growing and changing population across service areas.

August 20

- Transportation Delegation
Hon. Minister Prabmeet Sarkaria
ASKS: Advance the Caledon-Vaughan GO line to be in service before 2041.
 - Include the Caledon GO line in the upcoming Metrolinx Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update with an in-service date before 2041 (expected by end of 2024).
 - Work with the Town to establish and include a second GO station in Caledon at Highway 50/South Bolton.
 Outcome: Demonstrated proactive transit planning for Caledon's projected population growth and the Town's commitment to preventing traffic congestion, growing the local economy, and protecting the environment.
ASKS: Improve traffic safety along Highway 10 as part of MTO's Operational Performance Review study and add further safety measures to the draft report study, including:
 - Additional right turn lanes on Hwy 10
 - Active warning signs
 - Illumination improvements
 - Piloting a red-light camera at Olde Base Line Road
 Outcome: Demonstrated action on safety concerns along Highway 10.
- Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Small Business
Hon. Associate Minister Nina Tangri
ASKS: Provide tangible support for small businesses in Caledon to grow and innovate, including:
 - Partnering with the Town of Caledon to provide access to Small Business Enterprise Centre (SBEC) services in the community.
 - Prioritizing small business grants that support innovation, training, and digital adoption, particularly for equity-seeking groups
 Outcome: Demonstrated accountability and action on advancing the Town of Caledon's 2020-2030 Economic Development Strategy.

Sincerely,



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