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August 27, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1Y7

**Sent via E-mail:** [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford:

**Re: City of Stratford Resolution – Phase Out Ontario's Gas Plants**

Please be advised that, at its meeting of August 23, 2021, the Council of The Corporation of the City of Port Colborne resolved as follows:

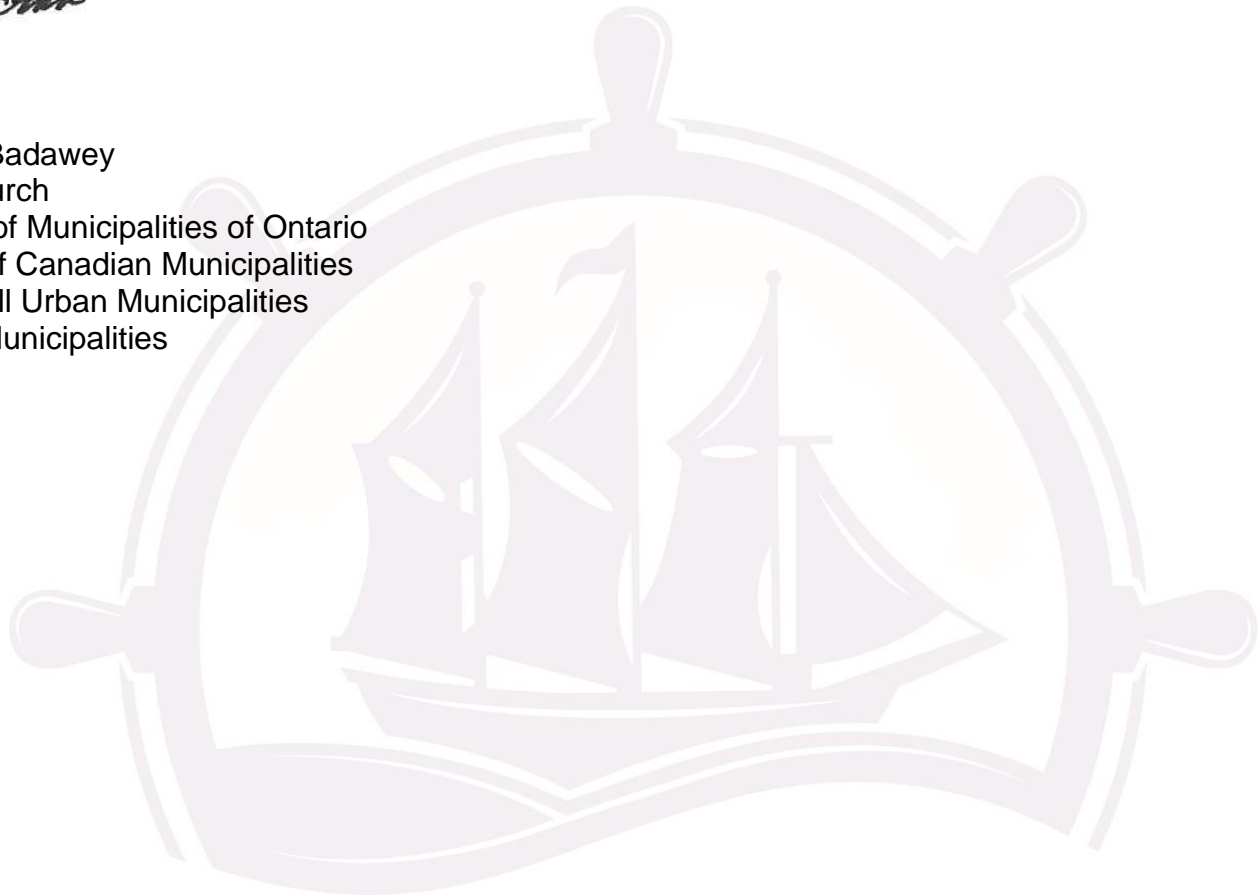
That correspondence from the City of Stratford regarding the Phase Out of Ontario's Gas Plants, be supported.

A copy of the above noted resolution is enclosed for your reference. Your favourable consideration of this request is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

Amber LaPointe  
City Clerk

ec: MP Vance Badawey  
MPP Jeff Burch  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
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July 23, 2021

Honourable Premier Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
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Toronto ON M7A 1A1


[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Resolution to Phase Out Ontario's Gas Plants

At their June 28, 2021 Regular Council meeting, Stratford City Council adopted a resolution petitioning the provincial government to immediately take steps to replace gas powered electrical generation with non-carbon-based sustainable alternatives.

A copy of the resolution is attached for your consideration. We kindly request your support and endorsement.

Sincerely,  
  
Tatiana Dafoe  
Clerk

Encl.  
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cc: MPP Randy Pettapiece  
MP John Nater  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities  
All Ontario municipalities



## THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD

### Resolution: Phase Out Ontario's Gas Plants

**WHEREAS** the Earth is on course toward a climate crisis, unless timely actions are taken to minimize the greenhouse effect;

**AND WHEREAS** the use of fossil fuels is a major contributor to the greenhouse effect because of the increasing amount of heat trapping Carbon Dioxide in the atmosphere;

**AND WHEREAS** Stratford, along with other municipalities has declared a "Climate Emergency" and is considering a Carbon Net Zero goal to be achieved by 2050;

**AND WHEREAS** the 2050 Carbon Net Zero goal has been, and is being adopted by countries and governments at all levels, as well as by industries, social and economic institutions;

**AND WHEREAS** the most effective way of achieving that goal is through initiatives in reducing carbon footprint, and greening;

**AND WHEREAS** in the Province of Ontario, Electricity generation fueled by Natural gas contributes substantially to the province's carbon footprint and provides an opportunity for rapid reduction of carbon dioxide emissions through the elimination of this form of generation;

**AND WHEREAS** in the interest of environmental and economic wellbeing for the province of Ontario, immediate action to replace the gas generators by sustainable zero carbon alternatives should be undertaken;

**NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED** that the City of Stratford strongly appeal to the Government of Ontario to immediately take steps to replace gas powered electrical generation with non-carbon based sustainable alternatives;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution be circulated to Ontario municipalities and their organizations including AMO and OSUM for their consideration of support.

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Adopted by City Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford on June 28, 2021

The Corporation of the City of Stratford, P.O. Box 818, Stratford ON N5A 6W1  
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