
File A-2100

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Association of Municipalities of Ontario

Re: Request to Extend the Restart Agreement Fund

At its meeting of January 24, 2022 Oshawa City Council adopted the following recommendation of the Finance Committee:

“Whereas the pandemic has negatively impacted economies, businesses, workers and communities. It has also had a major impact on the finances of municipal governments; and,

Whereas the City of Oshawa received and is thankful for the financial assistance provided by the Province of Ontario and Federal Government through the combined phases of the Safe Restart Agreement Fund to respond to COVID-19 related operating pressures; and,

Whereas the City of Oshawa has fully expended this funding through 2020, 2021 and the City's 2022 operating budget to mitigate increased COVID related cost pressures and lost revenue offsets; and,

Whereas additional COVID restrictions were implemented in the Province of Ontario effective as of January 5, 2022 for a period of not less than 21 days which requires the closure of City facilities to adhere to the measures imposed to help limit the spread of the virus; and,

Whereas facility closures will increase the revenue losses to the City incrementally as compared to the revenue losses already anticipated in the City's approved 2022 operating budget projections; and,

Whereas due to the continually changing conditions of the pandemic and emergence of new variants, the City continues to experience additional operating costs such as PPE and staff screeners; and,

Whereas the City has a need to further offset the financial consequences of COVID-19 and would greatly benefit from additional funding support to ensure that municipal services and programs can be maintained in 2022; and,

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Now therefore be it resolved:

1. That Mayor Carter, on behalf of City Council, write to the Prime Minister of Canada and the Premier of Ontario requesting an extension of the Restart Agreement Fund to provide additional funding support to municipalities.
2. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Ontario Big City Mayors, the Region of Durham, all local municipalities in the Region, and all MP's and MPP's in the Region of Durham."

If you require further assistance concerning the above matter, please contact me at the address listed above or by telephone at 905-436-3311.



Mary Medeiros
City Clerk

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