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April 25, 2024

Sent via email to: hboardman@amaranth.ca

Holly Boardman Deputy Clerk Township of Amaranth

Re: Resolution - Operational Budget Funding

We acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated March 12, 2024, regarding the above-mentioned matter.

The said correspondence was provided to Stratford City Council for their information as part of the March 25, 2024, Council meeting Consent Agenda (CA-2024-047). At the meeting, Council adopted the following resolution:

THAT CA-2024-047, being a resolution from the Township of Amaranth regarding Operational Budget Funding, be endorsed.

Sincerely,
T. Dafoe
Tatiana Dafoe, Clerk
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cc: Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario

Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Matthew Rae, MPP Perth-Wellington

Association of Ontario Municipalities (AMO)



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March 12, 2024

Hon. Paul Calandra Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Sent by email to: Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org

Re: Operational Budget Funding

At its regular meeting of Council held on March 6, 2024, the Township of Amaranth Council passed the following resolution.

Resolution #: 4
Moved by: G Little
Seconded by: A. Stirk

Whereas all Ontario municipalities are prohibited from running budget deficits for operating purposes, and;

Whereas all Ontario municipalities have similar pressures with respect to aging infrastructure and operating costs for policing, and;

Whereas the City of Toronto has recently received Provincial funding to cover a \$1.2 billion dollar operating shortfall and approximately \$12 million in Federal and Provincial funding for their Police operating budget, and;

Whereas the City of Toronto has the lowest tax rates in the Province, approximately 40% less than the average Dufferin rural municipal tax rate.

Be it Resolved That the Township of Amaranth call on the Province of Ontario to treat all municipalities fairly and provide equivalent representative operational budget funding amounts to all Ontario municipalities.

CARRIED

Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you require any further information on this matter.

Yours truly,

Nicole Martin, Dipl. M.A.

CAO/Clerk

C: Premier of Ontario; AMO; Ontario Municipalities