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Councils of SMART Participating Municipalities

Dear Members of Council,

Proposal for Adoption of By-Law Appointing the County of Bruce as Host Municipality for SMART

As Chair of the Board of Directors of Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit (SMART), I am writing to propose the adoption of the enclosed draft by-law by your Council. This by-law formally appoints the County of Bruce, Ontario, as the host municipality for SMART, enabling it to apply for, receive, hold, and administer allocations from the Province of Ontario's Public Transportation Fund (formerly the - Provincial Gas Tax for Transit) on behalf of all participating municipalities in Grey and Bruce Counties.

SMART plays a vital role in providing specialized transit services that enhance accessibility and mobility across our region. The Ministry of Transportation requires a single designated host municipality for regional transit partnerships to manage these provincial funds effectively. The County of Bruce has agreed to serve in this capacity, in replacement for the Town of Hanover, and the enclosed by-law draft provides a standardized template for confirming this arrangement.

The SMART Board of Directors endorses this appointment and believes it will strengthen our funding administration and service delivery. We kindly request that your Council review and consider passing this by-law at your earliest convenience to ensure a coordinated regional approach. If adopted uniformly by all participating municipalities, this will facilitate seamless access to provincial funding for SMART's ongoing operations.

Should you require any modifications, further details, or a discussion with the Board, please contact Stephan Labelle, General Manager, SMART, at 519-881-2504 or stephan@saugeenmobility.ca. We value your partnership and look forward to your support in advancing this initiative.

Thank you for your continued commitment to regional transit excellence.

Sincerely,

Signed by:

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