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December 21, 2022

Re: City of Cambridge - Opposition to Bill 23, More Homes Built Faster Act

Municipalities of Ontario,

At the Special Council Meeting of December 15, 2022, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge passed the following Motion:

Moved By: Councillor Roberts

Seconded By: Councillor Hamilton

Whereas the More Homes Built Faster Act received Royal Assent on November 28, 2022; and

Whereas these changes that will have significant impacts on several provincial Acts and in turn, significant and longstanding impacts on Ontario municipalities; and

Whereas the Act defines affordable housing as 80% of the market rate; and

Whereas a definition of affordability which is tied to a percentage of market rates remains largely unaffordable for many; and

Whereas the province has restricted the use of inclusionary zoning by limiting it to 5% of dwellings within a development, thereby limiting affordable housing opportunities; and

Whereas the province has restricted the use of inclusionary zoning by capping the time to remain affordable at 25 years, thereby limiting the longevity of housing affordability; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the provincial definition of affordable be based on income and not market rates, and

Be it further resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the provincial limitation of 5% of the use of inclusionary zoning within a development be increased; and

Be it further resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the provincial timelines regarding the use of inclusionary zoning affordable housing be increased beyond 25 years;

Be it further resolved that the Cambridge City Council requests that the Province reconsider how the More Homes Built Faster Act, 2022, will negatively impact environmental protection, heritage preservation, public participation, and loss of farmland; and

Be it further resolved that Cambridge City Council also supports the resolution passed on December 8, 2022 by the Ontario Big City Mayors regarding the More Homes Built Faster Act.

Should you have any questions related to the approved resolution, please contact me.

Yours Truly,



Danielle Manton
City Clerk

Cc: (via email)
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Ontario MP's and MPP's
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
All Ontario Municipalities
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