



“Via Email: Paul.Calandra@pc.ola.org”

May 24th, 2024

The Honorable Paul Calandra
Minister of Municipal Affairs and housing

Re: Operational Budget Funding

This will serve to advise you that Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cochrane, at its regular meeting held Tuesday, May 14th, 2024, passed the following resolution pertaining to the above noted:

“Resolution No. 281-2024

Moved by: Councillor Sylvie Charron-Lemieux

Seconded by: Councillor Mark Recoskie

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;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Corporation of the Town of Cochrane call on the Province of Ontario to treat all municipalities fairly and provide equivalent representative operational budget funding amounts to all Ontario municipalities.

FURTHERMORE, THAT this resolution be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario; the Premier of Ontario, the Hon. Doug Ford; the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Hon. Paul Calandra; and the Timiskaming-Cochrane MPP, John Vanthof.

CARRIED.”

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated!

Yours truly,

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COCHRANE

Alice Mercier
Clerk

AM/ed

c.c: All Ontario Municipalities;
Premier of Ontario, Hon. Doug Ford;
Timiskaming-Cochrane MPP, John Vanthof

