



## Staff Report

**Report Title: Resolutions for Consideration September 7, 2022**

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**Department: Clerk's Department**

**Date: Sep. 7, 2022**

**Report Number: CLK-2022-09-80**

**File Number: C10 RES22**

**Attachments: 1. Owen Sound Council Recall, 2. Increased Funding for Extreme Heat and Cold Events, 3. Money Laundering in Ontario Real Estate Market,**

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### **Recommendation:**

1. THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby support the City of Owen Sound in their request for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing study the merits of allowing the recall of municipal councillors and facilitate strengthened orientation and training for councils, boards and committees AND directs staff to distribute as they see fit.
2. THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby support the Town of Alymer in their request to the Federal and Provincial governments for increased funding for Health Units to develop uniform and comprehensive local responses to extreme heat and cold events.
3. THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby support the City of Brantford in their request for the Province of Ontario to investigate regulatory action and to implement legislative changes to combat money laundering in the Ontario Real Estate Market.

### **Background:**

The following resolutions were received for the Committees consideration.

### **Discussion:**

1. At the August 3, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting, the Committee deferred their decision on supporting the City of Owen Sound in their request to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to study the merits of allowing the

recall of municipal Councillors and facilitate strengthened orientation and training for Councils, Boards and Committees to receive further information on the recalling of municipal Councillors.

Currently the province of Ontario does not have legislation in place to allow for the recall of municipal Councillors; however, it is permitted federally under Private Members [Bill C-269](#) an Act to establish the right of electors to recall members of Parliament.

The recall election is held on the same basis as a by-election under the Canada Elections Act. The purpose of this enactment is to allow electors of an electoral district to vote in a recall election, no later than 3 months after a petition asking for a recall vote is signed by at least 25% of the number of electors who voted in the previous election for that electoral district.

2. The Town of Alymer has adopted a Warming and Cooling Centre Policy and are requesting increased federal and provincial funding for Health Units to develop uniform and comprehensive local responses to extreme heat and cold events.
3. The City of Branford is voicing concern over single family homes being purchased for purposes other than family residency which is a factor in driving up the price of home values. The city is also facing a growing concern that money laundering is taking place with foreign investments in housing and housing developments.

**Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts with this report.

**Strategic Alignment / Link:**

We are an accessible community that offers opportunities for everyone by being open and transparent.

**Respectfully Submitted By:**

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**Approved By:**

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