



**The Corporation of the
Township of Perry**

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Date: June 4, 2025

Resolution No.: 2025- 199

Moved By: Joe Lumley Seconded By: Paul Sowrey

Be it resolved that Council hereby receives and supports the Municipality of Chatham-Kent's Resolution "Bill 5 – Risks to your communities";

And further that Council directs staff to forward a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Municipality of Chatham-Kent, and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried: ✓ Defeated:

Margaret Ann MacPhail
Margaret Ann MacPhail, **Acting Mayor**

RECORDED VOTE		
Council	For	Against
Councillors Jim Cushman		
Joe Lumley		
Paul Sowrey		
Acting Mayor Margaret Ann MacPhail		

May 13, 2025

To all Ontario Municipalities, AMO, ROMA and FCM:

Re: Bill 5 - Risks to your communities and support requested

As Mayor of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, I am sharing this motion to bring to your attention the potential risks to your communities and ask for your support to oppose this approach. The following motion was approved yesterday, May 12, 2025:

"Whereas 29831 Irish School Road in the Municipality of Chatham-Kent is a property approximately 800 metres from the Town of Dresden;

And Whereas the property contain small fill areas used for historic local landfill purposes, and the property has never been properly studied or zoned for any significant landfilling use;

And Whereas the current property owners are attempting to create a new recycling and landfill facility for millions of tonnes of waste, which would result in hundreds of trucks travelling through towns and communities in the area;

And Whereas this approach has been strongly opposed by Council, the Community, neighbouring Indigenous Nations and many other voices, due to impacts to the environment, our homes, the safety of our families and children, and the fabric of our communities;

And Whereas the Provincial government has proposed Bill 5, which includes a section removing the obligation for a full Environmental Assessment for this new landfill and recycling facility;

And Whereas if this limited, historic local landfill use on the edge of Dresden can be expanded into a massive landfill and recycling facility, then this can happen anywhere;

And Whereas there are likely hundreds of properties across the Province that may have had limited, historic waste uses, which could also face this threat;

And Whereas Bill 197 established a veto for Municipalities within 3.5 kms of a new landfill, which reflected the need for local government and community approval of landfill sites;

And Whereas the approach being taken for this property disregards the importance of our rural communities, and local voices, in determining appropriate landfill sites within their communities:

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Now Therefore to ensure that other Municipal Councils and communities know about what is happening in Dresden, and the potential risk to their community if this approach is taken by the Province, Council requests that the Mayor's Office write a letter to all other Ontario Municipalities, AMO, ROMA and FCM:

1. Advising them of this issue and the risks to their community if a similar approach is taken for other historic landfill properties; the possibility of the Ontario government setting a precedence and
2. Requesting their support in opposing this approach and ensuring that full Environmental Assessments are required for all landfills and that municipalities have a strong voice in determining appropriate locations for landfills in their communities."

Thank you for your time and attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



Darrin Canniff, Mayor/CEO
Municipality of Chatham-Kent



CLERK'S OFFICE
MARY REMMIG, ACTING CLERK
Municipality of North Grenville

June 4, 2025

Please be advised that, at their regular meeting on June 3, 2025, Council of the Municipality of North Grenville adopted the following resolution:

Title: Bill 5: Protecting Ontario By Unleashing Our Economy Act, 2025

Date: June 3, 2025

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has introduced *Bill 5: Protecting Ontario by Unleashing Our Economy Act, 2025*, which proposes substantial changes to environmental planning policies, including replacing the Endangered Species Act with a new framework that reduces protections for at-risk species, and enabling the creation of Special Economic Zones that may override local planning authority and environmental oversight;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality of North Grenville supports increasing housing supply and economic growth, but believes this must be done in a way that upholds environmental responsibility and maintains the integrity of local planning processes;

AND WHEREAS Bill 5, as proposed, weakens safeguards for natural heritage systems, threatening biodiversity, and diminishing the authority of municipalities to manage growth in accordance with local needs and official plans;

AND WHEREAS the Municipality of North Grenville urges the Government of Ontario to recommit to upholding the rights of Indigenous Peoples as affirmed in Canadian law through the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act and engage in transparent inclusive consultations with Indigenous Nations and civil society before tabling new development legislation;

AND WHEREAS Special Economic Zones would allow the Province to unilaterally override municipal decision-making by exempting Special Economic Zones from Municipal By-laws;

AND WHEREAS the use of Special Economic Zones to bypass local deliberation on proposed projects may not deliver on the promise of supporting economic growth;

MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

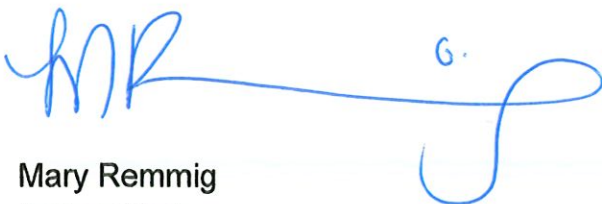
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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of the Municipality of North Grenville:

1. Opposes all provisions in Bill 5 that reduce environmental protections and Ontario's proud legacy of protections of endangered species, that override the rule of law and that nullify Municipal planning authority;
2. Urges the Province of Ontario to support housing and infrastructure development in ways that align with sound environmental planning and wildlife protection and empower municipalities with appropriate planning tools;
3. Urges the Province of Ontario to conduct robust consultation on Bill 5: Protecting Ontario By Unleashing Our Economy Act, 2025;
4. Urges the Province of Ontario not to use Special Economic Zones to exempt projects from By-laws that impacts revenue including development charge By-laws, property tax By-laws, or fees and charges By-law;
5. Requests the Province of Ontario consider the feedback submitted for Bill 5 by the Associations for Municipalities in Ontario (AMO) which highlights protecting Municipal autonomy and fiscal sustainability and Ontario's Environment and Indigenous Cultural Heritage; and,
6. Directs that a copy of this resolution be sent to:
 - o The Minister of Energy and Mines;
 - o The Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;
 - o The Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks;
 - o The Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism;
 - o The Premier of Ontario;
 - o The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); and,
 - o All Ontario Municipalities.

The above resolution, adopted by the Municipal Council, is forward for your information and action as required.

Thank you,

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Mary Remmig
Acting Clerk

MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE

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June 11, 2025

Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
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Sent Via Email

Re: Bill 5, Protect Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act, 2025

Council of the Town of LaSalle, at its Regular Meeting held Tuesday, June 10, 2025,
passed the following resolution:

146/25

Moved by: Councillor Burns
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Akpata

"That the correspondence from the Township of The Archipelago regarding Bill 5,
Protect Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act, 2025 be supported."

Carried.

Please consider this letter as confirmation of the Town of LaSalle's support of the above
matter.

Yours Truly,

Jennifer Astrologo
Director of Council Services/Clerk
Town of LaSalle
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Encl.

cc: (via email)

Hon. Sylvia Jones, Minister of Health and Deputy Premier of Ontario
Hon. Todd J. McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Hon. Stephen Lecce, Minister of Energy and Mines
Hon. Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Hon. Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation
MPP Anthony Leardi
MPP Andrew Dowie
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
All Ontario Municipalities



**The Corporation of The Township of The Archipelago
Council Meeting**

Agenda Number: 15.7.
Resolution Number 25-086
Title: Bill 5, Protect Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act, 2025
Date: Friday, May 23, 2025

Moved by: Councillor Barton
Seconded by: Councillor Manners

WHEREAS the Government of Ontario has introduced Bill 5: Protecting Ontario by Unleashing Our Economy Act, 2025, which proposes significant changes to environmental legislation, including the replacement of the Endangered Species Act, 2007 with the significantly weaker Species Conservation Act, 2025, and would grant the Premier and Cabinet unprecedented powers to override provincial and municipal laws – including laws that protect public health, farmland, and the natural systems that safeguard communities from extreme weather events; and

WHEREAS The Township of The Archipelago's strategic priorities include protecting and preserving our unique and high-quality natural environment, and delivering municipal services in a responsible, sustainable, cost-effective, and efficient manner; and

WHEREAS The Township of The Archipelago supports the goals of responsible economic growth and increased housing supply; and

WHEREAS nature is not red tape – it is the economic driver of our region, and is central to Canadian culture, identity, and economy; protecting nature is essential for building resilient communities and upholding the sovereignty and stewardship of Indigenous peoples; and

WHEREAS Bill 5 will undermine critical environmental, species, and heritage protection laws, introducing significant economic, environmental, social, and cultural uncertainty, endangering Ontario's 249 at-risk species, and potentially infringing on the legal and constitutional rights of the Ontario public – especially Indigenous communities that are disproportionately affected by such actions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Township of The Archipelago hereby

opposes the provisions in Bill 5 that would undermine environmental safeguards, Indigenous rights, or local planning authority, and urge the Province to withdraw the Bill; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that Council urges the Province of Ontario to pursue housing and infrastructure development through policies that maintain robust environmental protections and respect local planning regimes; and

FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED THAT this resolution be sent to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier; The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; The Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; The Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation; The Honourable Stephen Lecce, Minister of Energy and Mines; The Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka; The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM); The Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA); and all Ontario municipalities; Chief Adam Pawis, all Township of The Archipelago Ratepayer Associations; and to other environmental organizations.

Carried

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June 23, 2025

Re: Bill 5 – Protecting Ontario by Unleashing Our Economy Act

At their regular Council meeting held on June 18, 2025, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Southgate adopted the following:

No. 2025-343

Moved By Deputy Mayor Dobreen

Seconded By Councillor John

Be it resolved that the Township of Southgate receives and supports the correspondence from the City of Woodstock - Bill 5, Protect Ontario by Unleashing our Economy Act, 2025, and by virtue of that the correspondence, supports the resolution from City of Kingston; and

Whereas the Township of Southgate supports increasing housing supply and economic growth, but believes this must be done in a way that upholds environmental responsibility and maintains the integrity of local planning processes; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Township of Southgate oppose all provisions in Bill 5 that reduce environmental protections and Ontario's proud legacy of protections of Endangered Species, that override the rule of law and that nullify municipal planning authority; and

That the Council of the Township of Southgate urge the Province of Ontario to rescind Bill 5 and instead support housing and infrastructure development in ways that aligns with sound environmental planning and wildlife protection, respects the sovereignty and stewardship of Indigenous peoples, and empowers municipalities with appropriate planning tools; and

That this resolution be sent to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier; The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; The Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; The Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation; The Honourable Stephen Lecce, Minister of Energy and Mines; The Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka, MPP Paul Vickers Bruce Grey Owen Sound, The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM); The Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA); Conservation Ontario; Saugeen Ojibway Nation Chief Conrad Ritchie; Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Chief Greg Nadjiwon; Six Nations of the Grand River Chief Sherri-Lyn Hill; Anishinabek Nation Grand Council Chief Linda DeBassige; Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) President Margaret Froh; and all Ontario Municipalities. **Carried**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact our office at (519) 923-2110.

Sincerely,

Lindsey Green

Lindsey Green, Clerk
Township of Southgate

cc: The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier of Ontario
The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
The Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
The Honourable Prabmeet Singh Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation
The Honourable Stephen Lecce, Minister of Energy and Mines
The Honourable Graydon Smith, MPP Parry Sound-Muskoka
Paul Vickers, MPP Bruce Grey Owen Sound
The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
The Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM)
The Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA)
Conservation Ontario
Conrad Ritchie, Chief, Saugeen Ojibway Nation
Gregory Nadjiwon, Chief, Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation
Sherri-Lyn Hill, Chief, Six Nations of the Grand River
Linda DeBassige, Chief, Anishinabek Nation Grand Council
Margaret Froh, President, Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO)
All Ontario Municipalities



Hon. Doug Ford
Premier of Ontario
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June 18, 2025

Hon. Todd McCarthy
Minister of the
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Wellington-Halton Hills
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RE: Bill 5: Protecting Ontario by Unleashing Our Economy Act 2025

Please be advised that Township of Puslinch Council, at its meeting held on May 28, 2025 considered the aforementioned topic and subsequent to discussion, the following was resolved:

Resolution No. 2025-167:

Moved by Councillor Sepulis and
Seconded by Councillor Hurst

That the Consent Agenda item 6.9 and 6.10 be received for information; and

Whereas the Government of Ontario has introduced Bill 5: Protecting Ontario by Unleashing Our Economy Act, 2025, which proposes substantial changes to environmental planning legislation, including the repeal of the Endangered Species Act and the creation of "Special Economic Zones" that may override local planning authority; and

Whereas the Township of Puslinch supports increasing housing supply and economic growth, but believes this must be achieved without undermining environmental protections or compromising the integrity of municipal planning processes; and



Whereas Bill 5, as proposed, risks weakening safeguards for Ontario's natural heritage and reducing the role of municipalities in managing growth in a responsible and locally informed manner;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Township of Puslinch:

- **Opposes the provisions in Bill 5 that would reduce environmental protections or override municipal planning authority;**
- **Urges the Province of Ontario to advance housing and infrastructure growth through policies that respect sound environmental planning principles and uphold the planning tools available to local governments;**
- **Opposes the use of Bill 5 that may reduce a municipality's ability to enforce its local by-laws (planning and other affected by-laws);**
- **Opposes the potential use of Bill 5 to supersede Ministry jurisdiction to require proper approvals such as ARA licences or ECAs; and**
- **Opposes the potential use of Bill 5 to apply a SEZ to lands that are already licenced through provincial approvals such as an ARA licence or ECA to supersede requirements under those licenses or approvals.**
- **Directs that this resolution be forwarded to:**
 - 1. The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario**
 - 2. The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing**
 - 3. The Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks**
 - 4. MPP Joseph Racinsky**
 - 5. The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)**
 - 6. All Ontario municipalities for their awareness and consideration.**
 - 7. All Conservation Authorities in Ontario**
 - 8. Conservation Ontario**

CARRIED

As per the above resolution, please accept a copy of this correspondence for your information and consideration.

Sincerely,

Justine Brotherston
Municipal Clerk

Monika Farncombe

From: Jennifer E. Willoughby <jwilloughby@shelburne.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2025 9:50 AM
To: rob.flack@pc.ola.org; sylvia.jones@pc.ola.org; premier@ontario.ca; todd.mccarthy@pc.ola.org
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Subject: Town of Shelburne - Responsible Growth and Opposition to Elements of Bill 5

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Good Morning

At the May 12, 2025, meeting of Shelburne Town Council, the following resolution was passed unanimously

Moved By: Councillor Len Guchardi
Seconded By: Councillor Lindsay Wegener

Whereas the Government of Ontario has introduced Bill 5: Protecting Ontario by Unleashing Our Economy Act, 2025, which proposes substantial changes to environmental planning legislation, including the repeal of the Endangered Species Act and the creation of “Special Economic Zones” that may override local planning authority;

And Whereas the Town of Shelburne supports increasing housing supply and economic growth, but believes this must be achieved without undermining environmental protections or compromising the integrity of municipal planning processes;

And Whereas Bill 5, as proposed, risks weakening safeguards for Ontario’s natural heritage and reducing the role of municipalities in managing growth in a responsible and locally informed manner;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That Council for the Town of Shelburne:

- Opposes the provisions in Bill 5 that would reduce environmental protections or override municipal planning authority;
- Urges the Province of Ontario to advance housing and infrastructure growth through policies that respect sound environmental planning principles and uphold the planning tools available to local governments;
- Urges the Province to support municipalities through ensuring responsible growth through infrastructure projects designed to ensure protection of sensitive wildlife and natural resources;

And Directs that this resolution be forwarded to:

- The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario,

- The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing,
- The Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks,
- Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin–Caledon,
- The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO),
- All Ontario municipalities for their awareness and consideration,
- All Conservation Authorities in Ontario,
- Conservation Ontario

CARRIED; Mayor Wade Mills

Thank You

Jennifer Willoughby, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

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Resolution

Meeting Date: May 12, 2025

Resolution No. 2025-093

Moved: Councillor Prendergast

Seconded: Councillor Andrews

Responsible Growth and Opposition to Elements of Bill 5

Whereas the Government of Ontario has introduced Bill 5: Protecting Ontario by Unleashing Our Economy Act, 2025, which proposes substantial changes to environmental planning legislation, including the repeal of the Endangered Species Act and the creation of “Special Economic Zones” that may override local planning authority; and

Whereas the Town of Orangeville supports increasing housing supply and economic growth, but believes this must be achieved without undermining environmental protections or compromising the integrity of municipal planning processes; and

Whereas Bill 5, as proposed, risks weakening safeguards for Ontario’s natural heritage and reducing the role of municipalities in managing growth in a responsible and locally informed manner;

Now therefore be it resolved that Council for the Town of Orangeville:

- Opposes the provisions in Bill 5 that would reduce environmental protections or override municipal planning authority;
- Urges the Province of Ontario to advance housing and infrastructure growth through policies that respect sound environmental planning principles and uphold the planning tools available to local governments;
- Directs that this resolution be forwarded to:
 - The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
 - The Honourable Rob Flack, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
 - The Honourable Todd McCarthy, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
 - The Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier, Minister of Health and MPP for Dufferin–Caledon
 - The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
 - All Ontario municipalities for their awareness and consideration.

Result: Carried Unanimously



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June 02, 2025

To all Ontario Municipalities, AMO, ROMA and FCM:

Re: In Support of: Bill 5- Risks to your communities and support requested

Moved: Councillor Derbyshire

Seconded: Mayor Grantham

THAT: Council support the Chatham-Kent Resolution for opposition of this section of Bill 5.

Result: Carried

As Mayor of the Municipality of Chatham-Kent, I am sharing this motion to bring to your attention the potential risks to your communities and ask for your support to oppose this approach. The following motion was approved yesterday, May 12, 2025:

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- 2. Requesting their support in opposing this approach and ensuring that full Environmental Assessments are required for all landfills and that municipalities have a strong voice in determining appropriate locations for landfills in their communities."*

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'C. Grantham'.

Colin Grantham, Mayor
Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc

June 13, 2025

Premier of Ontario
Legislative Building
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Dear Mr. Premier,

RE: Council motion passed June 10, 2025

Please be advised that on June 10, 2025 during a City Council meeting, Guelph City Council passed the following resolutions in regards to the Special Economic Zones Act, 2025.

Moved By: Councillor Caron
Seconded By: Councillor Goller

1. THAT the City of Guelph opposes provisions in Bill 5, particularly under Schedules 2 and 9, and provisions in Bill 17, that would diminish environmental protections or override municipal planning authority; and
2. THAT the City of Guelph call on the Province of Ontario to obey their own rule of law, to pursue housing, forestry, infrastructure and critical mineral development through policies that follow sound environmental planning principles, uphold the planning authority of local government, respect Indigenous treaty obligations, and protect vital ecological systems; and
3. THAT City of Guelph Council endorse the City's submissions regarding Bill 5 to ERO 025-0391 - Special Economic Zones Act, 2025 and ERO 025-0380 - Species Conservation Act, 2025 as posted in Information Items on May 23, 2025; and
4. THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario; Mike Schreiner, MPP for Guelph; Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks; Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade; and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Carried

Stephen O'Brien, General Manager, City Clerk's Office/City Clerk
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Association of Municipalities of Ontario