



Council Information Package

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The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

Agenda Number: 4.4.3.
Resolution Number 2026-074
Title: Correspondence - Northeastern Manitoulin & The Islands - Resolution No 75-03-2026
Date: April 15, 2026

Moved by: Councillor Laframboise
Seconded by: Councillor Lachance

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles hereby supports Resolution Number 75-03-2026 passed by Northeastern Manitoulin & The Islands regarding chip and tar surface treatment;
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Minister of Environment; our local Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO); the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM); Ontario Good Roads Association; and all Ontario Municipalities.

CARRIED


MAYOR



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Please see below a Resolution passed by the Council of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands.

If your Council supports this motion please share with the appropriate Ministries and Organizations.

Thank You

Resolution No. 75-03-2026

Moved by: B. Wood

Seconded by: P. Aelick

Whereas the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands, like many municipalities, utilizes chip-and-tar surface treatment on a significant portion of its road network; and

Whereas the Town has observed a substantial decrease in the length of time these treated roads remain in acceptable condition; and

Whereas the quality and durability of the oil used in the surface treatment appears to be a contributing factor; and

Whereas the Ministry of the Environment amended its regulations several years ago, permitting only lighter-grade oils for environmental considerations; and

Whereas the reduced durability of the lighter-grade product has resulted in more frequent resurfacing cycles and has consequently led to increasing maintenance costs;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands respectfully requests that the Ministry of the Environment reconsider its decision regarding the lighter grade of oil, taking into account the increased number of applications required, as well as the associated additional time, energy, and financial burden placed on municipalities or develops a better alternative oil.

And Further that this motion be forwarded to the Ministry of Environment, AMO, Good Roads, FONOM, MPP Bill Rosenberg, and all other municipalities.

Carried

June 5, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Via Email

Re: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday June 1, 2026, adopted Resolution No. 2026-0107 regarding Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2026-0107.

Respectfully,



Melissa Lawr, AMP, Dipl.M.A.
Deputy Clerk – Legislation

cc. Ontario Minister of Natural Resources
Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness
Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change
Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
Halton area MPs and MPPs
Region of Halton
HRFA
OFA
Conservation Halton
Credit Valley Conservation
Grand River Conservation Authority
AMO
ROMA
FCM
Ontario Invasive Plant Council
Landscape Ontario
Canadian Nursery Landscape Association
All Ontario municipalities



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Resolution No.: 2026-0107

Title: Modernizing Ontario's Invasive Plants Rules to Protect Taxpayers, Municipal Lands, Agriculture, Natural Heritage and Local Gardens

Date: June 1, 2026

Moved by: Councillor J. Brass

Seconded by: Councillor C. Garneau

Item No. 12.3

WHEREAS invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species, seeds and nursery stock can cause significant damage to municipal infrastructure, roadsides, stormwater systems, parks, trails, natural heritage areas, agricultural lands, woodlots, shorelines, private property and local biodiversity;

AND WHEREAS Ontario municipalities and conservation authorities are estimated to spend approximately \$50.8 million annually managing invasive species, and the average annual cost per Ontario municipality has been estimated at \$218,148, with approximately 80% of expenditures directed toward control and management rather than prevention; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS these costs are ultimately borne by local taxpayers, conservation authorities, property owners, farmers, volunteers and community groups who are often left to manage invasive species after they have already been introduced, sold, planted, escaped cultivation and spread;

AND WHEREAS the Province of Ontario, through the Invasive Species Act, 2015, which allows species to be listed as prohibited or restricted, and which can make it illegal to import, possess, transport, propagate, buy, sell, lease or trade listed invasive species; (Invasive Species Centre)

AND WHEREAS the concern is not with plants that are already clearly prohibited or restricted, but with invasive species and seeds and nursery stock that may

continue to be sold or distributed before modernized provincial rules, public guidance and retail practices have fully caught up with current science and local experience;

AND WHEREAS garden centres, nurseries, landscape suppliers, seed distributors, online retailers, landscapers and residents all have an important role to play in preventing the spread of invasive plants before they become a costly municipal and environmental problem;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead program promotes native and non-invasive alternatives for healthy, diverse and wildlife-friendly gardens, and its updated Southern Ontario guide includes additional invasive plants and alternatives to help residents, gardeners and landscapers make better choices; (Ontario Invasive Plant Council)

AND WHEREAS recent local reporting in Halton Hills has highlighted the importance of choosing native alternatives to invasive garden plants, including through Grow Native Halton and the Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Grow Me Instead resources;

AND WHEREAS the continued sale and distribution of invasive ornamental plants undermine the work of municipalities, conservation authorities, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, local volunteers and residents who are investing time and taxpayer dollars to remove and manage these same species;

AND WHEREAS prevention at the point of sale is more cost-effective, more practical and more respectful of taxpayers than asking municipalities and property owners to pay for removal after invasive species have spread across property lines and municipal boundaries;

AND WHEREAS invasive plants do not recognize municipal boundaries, and effective prevention requires coordinated action by the Province of Ontario, the Government of Canada, municipalities, conservation authorities, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, the nursery and landscape sector, retailers, landowners and residents;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills respectfully request that the Province of Ontario, in consultation with municipalities, AMO, ROMA, conservation authorities, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Indigenous communities, agricultural organizations, environmental organizations, horticultural societies, the nursery and landscape sector, garden centres and other relevant stakeholders, undertake a review and modernization of Ontario's invasive plant regulatory framework;

AND FURTHER THAT this review include consideration of expanding and regularly updating the list of prohibited and restricted invasive plant species, including invasive plants, shrubs, vines, groundcovers, ornamental species,

seeds and nursery stock that pose a risk to Ontario's natural heritage, agriculture, municipal infrastructure, parks, trails, roadsides, stormwater systems and private property;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to prohibit the sale, distribution, propagation and trade of listed invasive plant species through garden centres, nurseries, landscaping suppliers, online retailers, seed distributors and other commercial pathways;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to develop clear labelling, public education and retailer guidance requirements so that residents, gardeners, landscapers and retailers can easily identify invasive species and choose native or non-invasive alternatives;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario be requested to work with the nursery, garden centre and landscape sectors on a practical transition plan that supports compliance, protects small businesses, promotes native and non-invasive alternatives, and prevents invasive plants from continuing to enter communities through ordinary consumer purchases;

AND FURTHER THAT the Government of Canada be requested to review and strengthen, where appropriate, federal import, border, labelling and online sales rules related to invasive plants, seeds and nursery stock entering Canada, so that provincial prevention efforts are not undermined by interprovincial or international trade;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario and Government of Canada be requested to support municipalities, conservation authorities and community partners with stronger prevention tools, updated science-based lists, public education materials and funding programs that prioritize prevention over costly long-term control and removal;

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, the Ontario Minister of Natural Resources, the Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, Halton-area MPs and MPPs, the Region of Halton, HRFA, OFA, Conservation Halton, Credit Valley Conservation, Grand River Conservation Authority, AMO, ROMA, FCM, the Ontario Invasive Plant Council, Landscape Ontario, the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association, and all Ontario municipalities for their consideration and support.



Mayor Ann Lawlor

June 5, 2026

Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Via Email

Re: Supporting the Role of Trustees in Public Education

Please be advised that Council of the Town of Halton Hills at its meeting of Monday June 1, 2026, adopted Resolution No. 2026-0105 regarding Supporting the Role of Trustees in Public Education.

Attached for your information is a copy of Resolution No. 2026-0105.

Respectfully,



Melissa Lawr, AMP, Dipl.M.A.
Deputy Clerk – Legislation

- cc. Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister of Education
Members of Provincial Parliament representing ridings in the Region of Halton
Leaders of the Opposition for the NDP and Liberal Parties
Halton Region
City of Burlington
Town of Milton
Town of Oakville
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Rural Ontario Municipal Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA)
Halton District School Board
Halton Catholic District School Board
Conseil scolaire Viamonde (French-Language Public School Board)
Conseil scolaire catholique Mon Avenir (French-Language Catholic School Board)
Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA)
Ontario Catholic School Trustee's Association (OCSTA)
Ontario Ombudsman



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Resolution No.: 2026-0105

Title: Supporting the Role of Trustees in Public Education

Date: June 1, 2026

Moved by: Councillor B. Inglis

Seconded by: Councillor A. Hilson

Item No. 12.1

WHEREAS, school board trustees have existed in Ontario since 1816 and have long played an essential role in delivering accountability, reflecting local priorities for students and parents in the publicly funded education system;

AND WHEREAS the role has been central to the operation of Ontario's schools since before confederation, enshrining democratic representation as a key principle at the heart of our publicly funded education system;

AND WHEREAS, provincial Bill 101, Putting Student Achievement First Act, 2026 underscores the province's intention to reshape school board governance and the role of trustees;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills support the role of locally-elected public school trustees;

AND FURTHER THAT Council for the Town of Halton Hills request the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Education commit to and complete a full-scale, transparent, and province-wide consultation on school board governance models before altering the governance role of trustees. The consultation to include students, parents, trustees, Indigenous partners, communities, municipalities and education stakeholders.

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Doug Ford (Premier), the Honorable Paul Calandra (Minister of Education), Members

of Provincial Parliament representing ridings in the Region of Halton, the Leaders of the Opposition for the NDP and Liberal Parties, Halton Region, Halton's Local Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Rural Ontario Municipal Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), the Halton District School Board, the Halton Catholic District School Board, the Conseil scolaire Viamonde (French-Language Public School Board), the Conseil scolaire catholique Mon Avenir (French-Language Catholic School Board), the Ontario Public School Boards' Association (OPSBA), the Ontario Catholic School Trustee's Association (OCSTA) and the Ontario Ombudsman.



Mayor Ann Lawlor



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June 9, 2026

Via email: doug.fordco@pc.ola.org

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Dear Hon. Doug Ford

Re: Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant

Please be advised that South Huron Council passed the following resolution at their June 1, 2026, Regular Council Meeting:

257-2026
Moved By: Aaron Neeb
Seconded by: Marissa Vaughan

That South Huron Council supports the May 21, 2026 correspondence of the City of Kitchener regarding the Heritage Helping Housing Building Grant; and

That this supporting resolution and the originating correspondence be circulated to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, the Ontario Heritage Trust, AMO and all Ontario municipalities.

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

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Encl.

- cc: Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Hon. Rob Flack, rob.flack@pc.ola.org; Minister of Finance, Hon. Peter Bethlenfalvy, peter.bethlenfalvy@pc.ola.org, Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism, Hon. Graham McGregor, graham.mcgregor@pc.ola.org, Ontario Heritage Trust, john.ecker@heritagetrust.on.ca; AMO, resolutions@amo.on.ca; and all municipalities in Ontario.