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Premier Ford  
Legislative Building  
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Via email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford:

**Re: Sustainable Funding for Small Urban Municipalities**

At its November 6, 2024 Regular Council Meeting the Council for the Town of Midland passed the following Resolution:

*WHEREAS it is apparent that the Ontario Government has overlooked the needs of Ontario's small urban municipalities; and*

*WHEREAS Ontario's small urban municipalities face insurmountable challenges to fund both upfront investments and ongoing maintenance of their capital assets including roads, water/ wastewater and municipally owned buildings including recreational facilities, libraries and other tangible capital assets; and*

*WHEREAS an increase of 26% one year, which is a million dollars (roughly 4% tax increase) for Midland and is something never projected;*

*NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT The Town of Midland call on the Ontario Government to immediately implement sustainable funding for small urban municipalities by reabsorbing the cost of the Ontario Provincial Police Force back into the provincial budget with no cost recovery to municipalities; and*

*FURTHER THAT the OPP Billing Model be referred to the Auditor General for review; and*

*FURTHER THAT Council direct Staff to circulate this resolution to Premier Doug Ford ([premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)), Minister of Solicitor General, Minister of Finance, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario ([amo@amo.on.ca](mailto:amo@amo.on.ca)) and all Municipalities in Ontario.*

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MIDLAND**

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