

March 4, 2015

Via Email

To All Municipalities over 30,000 residents:

RE: Kingston City Council Meeting – March 3, 2015

I would confirm that Kingston City Council at its regular meeting held on March 3, 2015, approved the following resolution, being New Motion 1:

Whereas currently under Ontario Regulation 282/98 the New Multi Residential Property Tax Class excludes the original residential units when a property is expanded beyond 6 units and may substantially increase property taxes to landlords, which is a major disincentive to constructing additional units, even if a landlord has such capacity; and

Whereas the province is encouraging urban intensification, including secondary suites, in order to increase housing stock and affordability, under their Provincial Policies Statements;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the City of Kingston encourage the Ontario Government to amend legislation to allow for an increase in units up to a maximum of 10 units on the land, built to Code, and that the tax class be established as New Multi-Residential for the entire property (including the original units), in order to encourage additional density in both new and renovated apartments; and

That copies of this motion be shared with the Premier of Ontario and both leaders of the Opposition, AMO and FCM, and all Ontario Municipalities with a population greater than 30,000

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please do not he sitate to contact me.

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The Corporation of the City of Kingston