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His Worship Fred Eisenberger
Mayor
City of Hamilton
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Dear Mayor Eisenberger:

Thank you for your letter outlining the City of Hamilton's suggestions regarding infrastructure funding in Ontario.

As announced in the 2016 Ontario Budget, the province is making public infrastructure investments of more than \$137 billion over the next 10 years. This represents the largest investment in public infrastructure in the province's history.

The province's infrastructure commitments include transit, transportation, and other priority infrastructure through Moving Ontario Forward that is supported by \$31.5 billion in dedicated funds. This plan includes about \$15 billion for projects outside the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA) and about \$16 billion for projects in the GTHA.

I appreciate your bringing Council's ideas regarding cost-sharing for infrastructure projects to my attention; however, this issue would be more appropriately addressed by my colleague, the Honourable Brad Duguid, Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure. I have taken the liberty of forwarding your letter to Minister Duguid for his review and consideration.

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Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Charles Sousa
Minister

c: The Honourable Brad Duguid
The Honourable Ted McMeekin, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing