



# Township of Perry

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The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building , Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

**RE: Transforming and Modernizing the Delivery of Ontario's Building Code**

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Please be advised that the Council of the Township of Perry, at its meeting held on November 6, 2019, passed the following resolution:

**Resolution No. 2019-420**

Moved by: Joe Lumley

Seconded by: Jim Cushman

*WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has legislated in the Building Code Act that "the council of each municipality is responsible for the enforcement of this Act in the municipality" and "the council of each municipality shall appoint a chief building official and such inspectors as are necessary for the enforcement of this Act in the areas in which the municipality has jurisdiction",*

*AND WHEREAS "the council of a municipality may pass by-laws applicable to the matters for which and in the area in which the municipality has jurisdiction for the enforcement of this Act",*

*AND WHEREAS the Province has asked local municipal governments to find efficient and cost effective ways to deliver municipal services is now asking these same municipalities to collect a tax on their behalf to create a new "Delegated Administrative Authority" to deliver services that have historically been the responsibility of the Ontario Government,*

*AND WHEREAS Premier Ford stated in his keynote address at the Association of Ontario Municipalities 2019 Conference that "we can't continue throwing money at the problem (broken systems) as our predecessors did, into top-down, big government schemes. That is neither compassionate nor sustainable",*

*AND WHEREAS alternative methods of building administration and enforcement have been proposed in this consultation that remove municipal authority but not the associated liability,*

*NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Perry requests that the Province of Ontario research their own efficient and cost effective means to deliver their own services, work with current building sector groups that, for the past fifteen years, have been filling the voids as the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has severely reduced its service delivery role and provide documented evidence based justification to all Ontario municipalities that the creation of a new "Delegated Administrative Authority" is necessary prior to any legislative changes to the Building Code Act, with regard to building service delivery, are introduced in the Legislature; and*

*FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be sent to The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, The Honourable Jim McDonnell, Parliamentary Assistant for Municipal Affairs and Housing and The Honourable Norm Miller MPP for Parry Sound Muskoka; and*

*FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Associations of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and all Ontario Municipalities for their consideration.*

*Carried.*

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Yours truly,



Beth Morton  
Clerk-Administrator

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cc: The Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
The Honourable Jim McDonnell, Parliamentary Assistant for Municipal Affairs and Housing  
The Honourable Norm Miller, MPP, Parry Sound-Muskoka  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)  
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