

Subject:

Council Resolution re Voters' List for Municipal Elections

Good afternoon,

In light of the recent municipal election, the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney passed the following resolution in regard to the creation, maintenance and general quality of the Municipal Voters' List:

Resolution #

10.(d)(iii)/21/11/2018

WHEREAS concern over the quality of the Municipal Voters' List is not a new phenomenon;
AND WHEREAS in 2012, the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) published a "Voters' List Position Paper" and since that time has been advocating for transformational changes to the way that Ontario creates and maintains the Voters' List for municipal elections;

AND WHEREAS the Preliminary List of Electors which forms the Voters' List in Ontario is supplied by data from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC);

AND WHEREAS despite the incremental changes made by MPAC, MPAC has a limited ability to fix the currency and accuracy issues that impairs the current process and the Voters' List continues to be flawed with data inaccuracies and outdated information;

AND WHEREAS a transformational solution to the way that the Voters' List is created and managed is required;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney supports the re-establishment of the multi-stakeholder working group between the Ministry of

Municipal Affairs, Ministry of Finance, AMCTO, MPAC and Elections Ontario in exploring and identifying ways to create and maintain the Voters' List for Municipal Elections;

AND FURTHER Council requests an update be provided from this 'Voters' List Working Group' on the transformational solutions being discussed;

AND FURTHER that this resolution be circulated to all Ontario Municipalities for their consideration and support.

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We hope that this resolution will be of interest to your Municipality, and that you will support this endeavour moving forward.

Sincerely,

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