



The Corporation of The Town of Amherstburg

August 14, 2020

VIA EMAIL

Board of Health for the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit
1005 Ouellette Avenue
Windsor, Ontario N9A 4J8
Attention: Lee Anne Damphouse,
Executive Assistant to the Medical Officer of Health, CEO, and Board of Health

Windsor-Essex County Health Unit
1005 Ouellette Avenue
Windsor, Ontario N9A 4J8
Attention: Dr. Wajid Ahmed, Medical Officer of Health

Dear Ms. Damphouse and Dr. Ahmed:

RE: Request for more detailed information and data regarding the spread of COVID-19 in Essex County

At its meeting of August 10th, 2020, Council passed the following resolution for your consideration:

“That Administration BE DIRECTED to send correspondence in support of the Town of Kingsville’s resolution with respect to their request for the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit to provide more detailed information and data regarding the spread of COVID-19.”

Enclosed is a copy of the Town of Kingsville’s resolution for convenience and reference purposes.

Regards,

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July 31, 2020

Board of Health for the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit

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Attention: Lee Anne Damphouse, Executive Assistant to the Medical
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-And To-

Windsor-Essex County Health Unit

1005 Ouellette Avenue

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Attention: Dr. Wajid Ahmed, Medical Officer of Health ldamphouse@wechu.org

Dear Ms. Damphouse and Dr. Ahmed:

**RE: Request for more detailed information and data regarding the spread
of COVID-19 in Essex County**

As its Regular Meeting held July 27, 2020, the Town of Kingsville Council passed
the following Resolution:

461-2020

Moved By Councillor Kimberly DeYong

Seconded By Councillor Larry Patterson

WHEREAS to manage municipal services, municipalities require daily data on COVID-19 cases broken down by all acquisitions i.e. close contact, Agri-farm, Long Term Care Home/Retirement Home, Travel, hot zones and outbreaks (historical and current);

AND WHEREAS in reviewing other regions such as Durham, Hamilton, Peel, and Toronto, they provide an interactive website that allows the public to drill down to not only the municipality level but to the neighbourhoods;

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AND WHEREAS our Health Unit uses static reporting on a weekly basis with a municipal breakdown using percentages of region and this provides no granularity to allow the public and municipalities to evaluate health risks, openings, potential hot zones, and effectiveness of measures put in place to help control the spread;

AND WHEREAS as a municipality, our public needs to see the municipality and neighbourhood data trending over time from the beginning of the pandemic to help show our progress but also to allow us to evaluate future outbreaks and react based on the raw data;

AND WHEREAS the health units are mandated to provide transparency and there should be no privacy concerns as can be seen using municipality and neighbourhood data in other regions;

AND WHEREAS as the Town approaches the move to Stage 3 and beyond, municipality and neighbourhood data will allow our Council and the public to be informed and make decisions on protecting health and supporting our way to a successful reopening of our region.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Administration send a letter to the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit Board of Directors and Medical Officer of Health Dr. Wajid Ahmed, requesting more detailed information and data regarding the spread of COVID-19, with a copy of such letter to be sent to the MPPs of Kingsville and Leamington.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter, and if you have any questions or require any further information, please contact the undersigned.

Yours very truly,



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