

ADDENDUM

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

2012 03 19

4:30 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

3. APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Mover: Councillor B. Watkins

Seconder: Councillor L. Turco

Resolved that the Addendum #1 for the 2012 03 19 City Council meeting as presented be approved.

4. DELEGATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

PART ONE – CONSENT AGENDA

5. COMMUNICATIONS AND ROUTINE REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- s) Correspondence from the Premier of Ontario concerning the report of the Commission on the Reform of Ontario's Public Services is attached for the information of Council.
- t) Correspondence from the M.P. for Nickel Belt concerning Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act is attached for the information of Council.

PART TWO – REGULAR AGENDA

6. REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

- (1) ADMINISTRATION**
 - (2) COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT**
 - (3) ENGINEERING**
 - (4) FIRE**
 - (5) LEGAL**
 - (6) PLANNING**
 - (7) PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION**
 - (8) BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**
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- 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS, NOTICE OF MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS
PLACED ON AGENDA BY MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**
 - 8. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUCH MATTERS AS
ARE REFERRED TO IT BY THE COUNCIL BY RESOLUTION**
 - 9. ADOPTION OF REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**
 - 10. CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF BY-LAWS**

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of Ontario

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March 9, 2012

Her Worship Debbie Amaroso
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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Dear Mayor Amaroso:

Thank you very much for your letter regarding the report of the Commission on the Reform of Ontario's Public Services. I welcome this opportunity to hear your thoughts on the recommendations contained in the report — in particular, as they pertain to the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation and the City of Sault Ste. Marie.

My colleagues and I will take your comments into consideration as we increase our focus on eliminating the deficit by 2017-18. We will build a stronger economy that supports good jobs and quality public services.

As you know, the commission was formed to examine the way the provincial government delivers services to the people of this province and to provide advice on reforms to help eliminate the deficit. Our government is closely reviewing the report's recommendations as we prepare the 2012 Ontario Budget.

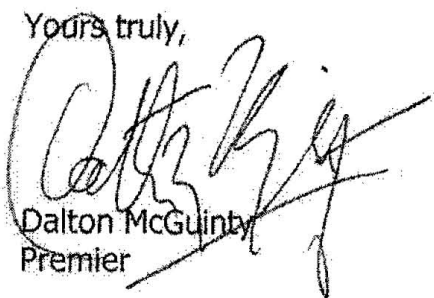
The commission's report is just one of the key pieces of advice we will consider. We also look forward to continuing to hear the views of Ontarians throughout the province, as well as the ideas of our partners at the municipal level.

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As my colleague the Honourable Dwight Duncan, Minister of Finance, would also be interested in hearing your views, I have forwarded a copy of your correspondence to him. I am certain that he, too, will take your thoughts and ideas into careful consideration.

Mayor Amaroso, thanks once again for sharing your views with me. Please accept my best wishes.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Dalton McGuinty', is written over a circular stamp. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Dalton McGuinty
Premier

c: The Honourable Dwight Duncan

DEBBIE AMAROSO
MAYOR



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CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE

February 16, 2012

Dalton McGuinty, Premier
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Dear Premier McGuinty,

We have just completed our preliminary review of the Drummond Report and recommendations. We acknowledge that it is imperative that our Provincial government review and consider these recommendations as it puts into place a fiscally sustainable plan for Ontario. We can only urge you and your government, Mr. Premier, to move forward and to balance the need to effectively deal with Ontario's current deficit with the absolute need to ensure that communities who are already struggling are not further significantly disadvantaged.

We accept that everyone and every institution in the Province needs to fairly and proportionately share in the burden that may need to come with changes. We accept that all levels of government need to do whatever is necessary to achieve better value for taxpayers with improvements in services and/or controlled costs. We accept that duplication in service delivery needs to be reduced wherever possible.

This brings me to the point of my letter to you today. Mr. Dummond in his report (Recommendation 17-3) suggests the improvement of "the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation's efficiency though at a minimum, the following measure:

- Close one of the two head offices ..."

Quite frankly, we in Sault Ste. Marie, have never heard the reference to two "head offices", though we do acknowledge that there has been a significant growth in the number of corporate jobs that have been established in or transferred to the Southern Ontario location since the days when the corporation was headed up by Ron Barbaro, who was appointed as both Board Chair and CEO. Up until that point in time, Sault Ste. Marie was the only corporate head office and the CEO resided in Sault Ste. Marie and worked at the head office.

Over the years, City Council has had many discussions about jobs being transferred from Sault Ste. Marie to the Toronto area. Resolutions expressing our concern about these job transfers and resolutions inviting newly appointed CEOs to take up residence in Sault Ste. Marie "at OLGC's head office" were passed and sent along to appropriate corporate and government officials over the years.

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It should be remembered why the head office was established in Sault Ste. Marie in the early 90's by the then Peterson government in the first place. It was part of a package for Northern Ontario to assist with a most difficult economy, brought on by downturns in the forestry, mining and steel sectors. While most other northern cities received significant new Provincial government jobs and offices as part of a decentralization initiative (Northern Relocation Program), Sault Ste. Marie was announced to be the home and head office for what was then OLC. Quite frankly, we knew very little about the work of this Crown Corporation but were encouraged by the assurances from the Premier that Sault Ste. Marie would significantly benefit by head office presence and its potential growth into other endeavours.

Indeed, the establishment of the head office in Sault Ste. Marie provided exactly the "shot in the arm" that our struggling community needed. A beautiful Provincial office complex was built on our waterfront and good jobs followed. New hope for a stable future spawned in our community and young people started to think about returning home because of these new opportunities.

OLGC has "anchored" our community for the last 20 years in many ways. This corporation has been an excellent corporate citizen, very much involved in every way in community events. It provides many excellent job opportunities for our young (and even not so young) people. It also provides a great sense of prestige to our community's profile by its presence and its involvement. It is now difficult to imagine Sault Ste. Marie without the OLGC head office.

Suffice to say at this point, the loss of the OLGC head office in Sault Ste. Marie would be devastating to Sault Ste. Marie and to Northern Ontario.

While the closure of the Toronto area office would no doubt have some impact on that community, it would be nowhere near the devastation that would come to Sault Ste. Marie and its economy and future. We would expect that your government would do an impact study/analysis before this recommendation would even be considered.

As the Mayor of Sault Ste. Marie, I am asking you early in the process to dismiss any suggestion that the OLGC head office in Sault Ste. Marie would close. All of the reasons that existed at the time of Premier Peterson's announcement of the establishment of the head office in our community need to be revisited. The loss of the OLGC head office would devastate Sault Ste. Marie and wipe out all of the wonderful gains that the City and Province have made here over the last two decades. It would indeed be a huge backward step for all of us.

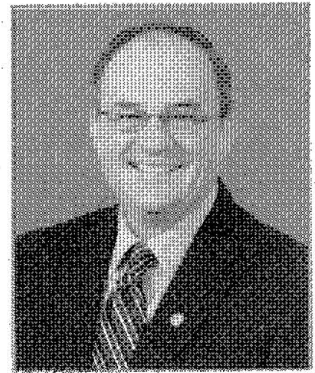
While there are other parts of the Drummond Commission report and recommendations that we will make comment on in the future, given the significance of the potential impact on Sault Ste. Marie and its future, we felt the need to immediately react to recommendation 17-3 and the reference to the OLGC head office.

Thank you,



Debbie Amaroso
MAYOR

cc: David Oraziotti, MPP
Rod Phillips, OLGC
City Council
Joe Fratesi, CAO
Media



Claude Gravelle

*M.P. for Nickel Belt
Député de Nickel Belt*

Thursday, March 8, 2012

Mayor Debbie Amaroso,

On February 15, 2012, I introduced my private members' bill, Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act, to ensure Northern Ontario keep at least its current 10 federal ridings during the post-census readjustment of riding boundaries necessitated by Ontario receiving more seats in the House of Commons.

During the last readjustment prior to the 2004 federal election, Northern Ontario lost one of its seats. There is always the real danger with the large increase of population in the south that some suggest a seat be taken from the north.

We need a strong voice representing the north in Ottawa and we cannot let this happen again. There are compelling historic, geographic, linguistic and democratic reasons to maintain our current representation.

I encourage your municipality to support this campaign by passing the resolution that is enclosed. This pro-Northern Ontario campaign enjoys broad support across the north and across partisan lines.

The resolution is self explanatory. Should you require further information, do not hesitate to contact my office in Ottawa and speak with my legislative assistant, Rick Prashaw. I also welcome receiving word that your municipality has passed a resolution in favour of keeping our northern ridings.

Yours sincerely,



Claude Gravelle

Nickel Belt MP

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Resolution in Support of Keeping Northern Ontario's Federal Ridings at No Less than 10

Whereas any readjustment of the boundaries of an electoral district must respect the principle of fair representation, and the inhabitants of Northern Ontario are entitled to be governed by that principle;

Whereas electoral boundaries commissions, in determining boundaries, do not only consider the average population per electoral district but also give weight to historical, geographic, linguistic (Franco Ontarien population) and democratic factors and principles;

Whereas it is important that the electoral districts in remote northern and rural regions, because of their low population density and extreme weather conditions, must have reasonable dimensions in order to ensure the fair representation of the inhabitants of those regions;

And whereas the northern part of Ontario is greater in geographic size than every other province and territory except for Quebec and British Columbia;

This municipality of _____ supports the Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act introduced in the House of Commons by Nickel Belt MP Claude Gravelle that includes broad support across the north and across partisan lines.

We support the electoral districts in Northern Ontario being no less than 10 and that Northern Ontario means the geographic area comprising the following ten current electoral districts:

Algoma — Manitoulin — Kapuskasing; Kenora; Nickel Belt; Nipissing — Timiskaming; Parry Sound — Muskoka; Sault Ste. Marie; Sudbury; Thunder Bay — Rainy River; Thunder Bay — Superior North; and Timmins — James Bay.

En français au verso.