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Friday, November 6, 2026

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**Resolution No. 3**

**MOVED BY: Jamie MacDonald**

**SECONDED BY: Carma Williams**

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Long-Term Care is conducting a public consultation under Project #26-017 (Southbridge Cornwall 2) respecting an application to modify a long-term care home licence; and

**WHEREAS** the proposal would relocate the 70 licensed long-term care beds currently operating at The Palace in Alexandria to a new long-term care facility outside of the community, resulting in the closure of The Palace and the transfer of those licensed beds outside of North Glengarry; and

**WHEREAS** the Township of North Glengarry did not receive direct notification of the consultation process and did not receive any advance notice or information from the owner/operator regarding the proposed closure of The Palace or the relocation of the licensed long-term care beds outside of North Glengarry; and

**WHEREAS** The Palace is currently the only long-term care home operating in Alexandria and the proposed relocation would result in the loss of all 70 licensed long-term care beds from the community; and

**WHEREAS** Council is concerned that the permanent removal of these beds would reduce local access to long-term care services and diminish healthcare infrastructure available to current and future residents of North Glengarry; and

**WHEREAS** long-term care services are a critical component of the local healthcare system and support seniors in remaining close to their families, friends, caregivers and community supports when long-term care becomes necessary; and

**WHEREAS** the proposed relocation of the 70 licensed long-term care beds outside of North Glengarry would require many current and future residents to leave their community to access long-term care services; and

**WHEREAS** relocating these beds outside of North Glengarry would increase travel times for family members, friends and caregivers wishing to visit loved ones and may reduce opportunities for regular visitation and support; and

**WHEREAS** Council recognizes that maintaining close connections to family, friends and community is essential to the health, well-being and quality of life of long-term care residents and that increased separation from these supports may contribute to social isolation; and

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**TOWNSHIP OF NORTH GLENGARRY**
**Council Meeting**

**Date:** Tuesday, October 13, 2026

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**WHEREAS** Council supports the modernization and redevelopment of long-term care facilities but believes that opportunities should be explored to maintain and expand long-term care capacity within North Glengarry rather than permanently relocating the community's licensed long-term care beds elsewhere;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council for the Township of North Glengarry formally opposes the proposed relocation of the 70 licensed long-term care beds from The Palace in Alexandria and the resulting loss of long-term care capacity in both Alexandria and the Township;

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council urges the Ministry of Long-Term Care to fully consider the social, community and healthcare impacts associated with removing long-term care capacity from North Glengarry, including the impacts on seniors, families, caregivers and the broader community;

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council requests that all reasonable options be explored to maintain and expand long-term care capacity within North Glengarry;

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council requests that the Ministry of Long-Term Care reject the proposed licence modification and relocation of the 70 licensed long-term care beds unless satisfactory measures are identified to maintain equivalent or greater long-term care capacity within North Glengarry;

**AND FURTHER THAT** this resolution be submitted as part of the Ministry's public consultation process for Project #26-017;

**AND FURTHER THAT** a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Long-Term Care, MPP Stéphane Sarrazin, Hôpital Glengarry Memorial Hospital, the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, local municipalities, and other interested stakeholders.

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| Councillor: Jeff Manley | ___ | ___ |
| Councillor: Michael Madden | ___ | ___ |
| Councillor: Gary Martin | ___ | ___ |
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November 4, 2026

The Honourable Michael S. Kerzner
Office of the Solicitor General
25 Grosvenor Street, 18th Floor
Toronto, ON
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**RE: Request for Review of the OPP Municipal Policing Cost Model**

Dear Minister Kerzner:

Please be advised that at the Regular Council Meeting on November 4th, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan passed the following resolution, supporting the resolution from the Township of McNab/Braeside.

**Resolution No:** 2026-11-04-09
**Moved by:** Councillor Keller
**Seconded by:** Councillor Quade

**"Be it resolved** that the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan support the Township of McNab/Braeside's resolution regarding the Request for Review of the OPP Municipal Policing Cost Model.

**And further that** this resolution be forwarded to MPP Billy Denault, Renfrew Nipissing Pembroke and All Ontario Municipalities.

**Carried.**

Sincerely,

Tammy Thompson

Tammy Thompson
Deputy Clerk
Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan

TOWNSHIP OF
McNab/Braeside
Where nature awaits.

September 10, 2026

The Honourable Michael S. Kerzner
Office of the Solicitor General
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**Re: Request for Review of the OPP Municipal Policing Cost Model**

Dear Minister Kerzner:

The Township of McNab/Braeside is writing to express its strong opposition to the current Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) municipal policing cost model and the significant cost increases being imposed on small rural municipalities. While the Province has limited the increase in OPP policing costs for 2027 to a maximum of 11 per cent, an increase of up to 11 per cent is not reasonable or sustainable for a small rural municipality. This level of increase places significant pressure on municipal budgets and local taxpayers, particularly at a time when communities are already facing substantial economic pressures.

The issue is not the importance of effective policing or the services provided by the OPP. The Township recognizes and values the OPP's role in keeping our community safe. Our concern is that the current funding model does not fairly reflect the financial realities and policing circumstances of small rural municipalities.

Municipalities with populations of 10,000 or less can have substantially different circumstances than larger urban communities, including smaller tax bases, larger geographic areas and different policing demands. These factors should be meaningfully reflected in how policing costs are allocated.

The Township therefore respectfully requests that the Province undertake a comprehensive review of the OPP municipal policing cost model and consider factors including population, geographic area, policing demand, calls for service and municipal financial capacity when determining municipal policing costs.

Small rural municipalities should not be expected to absorb increases of this magnitude under a funding model that does not adequately recognize the differences between rural and urban communities.

The Township urges the Province to re-evaluate the OPP municipal policing cost model and develop a more equitable, predictable and sustainable approach to policing costs for small rural municipalities.

The Township invites recipient municipalities to consider passing a resolution of support at an upcoming council meeting. Please forward any supporting motions to the Office of the Solicitor General to amplify this vital advocacy for rural communities.

Sincerely,

Mandy Cannon
CAO, Interim Clerk
Township of McNab/Braeside

cc:
MPP Billy Denault, Renfrew–Nipissing–Pembroke
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