

Regular Council Meeting Resolution Form

Date:

May 20, 2025

No:

RESOLUTION - 267-2025

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scott Brum

Disposition:

CARRIED

Seconded by Councillor Kevin Rosien

Item No:

12.4

Description: Strong Mayor Powers

RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS the Province has announced the expansion of strong mayor power to another 169 municipalities as of May 1, 2025 in addition to the 47 municipalities which currently have received strong mayor powers;

AND WHEREAS the Province claims that strong mayor powers will get homes and infrastructure built faster, reduce red tape, and accelerate the delivery of key priorities;

AND WHEREAS research from the Association of Municipal Clerks & Treasurers of Ontario has identified that:

- a. There is no evidence to suggest this legislation has any impact on the number of housings starts in municipalities that have been granted the powers; and
- b. Strong Mayor Powers have blurred the political-administrative authority between the roles of head of council and chief administrative offices threatening the neutrality of the public service and politicizing local government leadership;

AND WHEREAS strong mayor powers is an erosion to the democratic process of an historically non-partisan municipal governance structure;

AND WHEREAS the Township of McNab/Braeside has received requests from The Town of Parry Sound, the Municipality of North Middlesex and the Municipality of North Perth for our support to reject strong mayor powers and have strong mayor powers removed from their municipalities;

AND WEHREAS Council of the Township of McNab/Braeside encourages the Provincial government to repeal this legislation;

AND FURTHER THAT the Township support all municipalities requesting the rejection of strong mayor powers.

AND BE IT FURTEHR RESOLVED THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Rob Fack, Premier Doug Ford, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing Pembroke, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all Ontario Municipalities.

MAYOR

Recorded Vote Requested by:

Yea Nay

Mayor Lori Hoddinott

Deputy Mayor Scott Brum

Councillor Kevin Rosien

Councillor Robert Campbell

Councillor Jill Campbell

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

Disclosed his/her/their interest(s), vacated he/her/their seat(s), abstained from discussion and did not vote