

# Delegation Request Form

This form must be completed and submitted to the Clerk of the Town of Essex by all persons wishing to address Council at a scheduled meeting of Council. Delegation requests must be submitted by 2:00 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to the scheduled meeting.

Any person who wishes to appear before Council as a Delegation on a matter that relates specifically to a matter contained in the Regular Council Meeting Agenda shall submit a Delegation Request Form no later than 4:30 PM on the Friday immediately preceding the date of the Regular Council Meeting. The Clerk shall have the sole authority to determine if the subject matter does in fact relate specifically to a matter contained in the Regular Council Meeting Agenda for purposes of allowing or denying the Delegation and the Clerk will introduce such Delegation Request Form(s) at the time of adopting the Published Agenda.

Presentations to Council are limited to 5 minutes per person to a maximum of 10 minutes for a group of two persons or more.

Personal information that you provide on this form is collected pursuant to the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used for the purpose of responding to your request. Please note that this form, if approved, will appear in the published Council Agenda and may be included in the Council Meeting minutes, both of which become part of the public record and are posted on our municipal website.

**Name \***

David Mota

**Date of Request \***

1/17/2022



**Are you representing a group? \***

☐ Yes

☒ No

**Name of Group (if applicable)**

**Provide details on the issue(s) you wish to present to Council and any actions you will be asking Council to take. \***

I would like to continue to draw attention to the issue of affordable housing facing our communities and invite council to explore short and long-term solutions to determine their feasibility. These potential solutions not only fit within the Harrow Community Strategic Plan<sup>1</sup> and the Town of Essex Development Strategy<sup>2</sup>, but they respond to a fundamental and ethical responsibility as a growing community in which our residents can thrive. With rental and home ownership becoming out of reach, more than 5000 households have landed on the social and affordable housing wait list in Windsor-Essex. This is an opportunity for this council to improve access to a range of housing options and to encourage families to stay or to move into the community for long-term positive economic impact.

1. convert municipal or leased lands to a modular dwelling park – insert info on variety/highlights of modular homes

2. more zoning options for residential second dwellings – insert example of 2nd dwelling that home owners could purchase, set up and begin renting as a form of 2nd income and serve the purpose of affordable rental housing; Ottawa has seen success with this:

[https://documents.ottawa.ca/sites/documents/files/how\\_to\\_coach\\_en.pdf](https://documents.ottawa.ca/sites/documents/files/how_to_coach_en.pdf)

3. (? is there land owned by the municipality to do this?) Offer generous incentives to move to the community – sell building lots extremely reasonably priced, and offer dwelling options that encourage young people to establish roots in our community through homeownership; Smooth Rock Falls has seen success with this: <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/sudbury/smooth-rock-falls-growth-1.6213265>

4. ??anything else?

<sup>1</sup>Excerpt from Harrow community strategic plan: pg 152 (affordable housing comment) pg 160 (dwelling comparisons to other similar municipalities) pg 175 (employment/population stats); pg 63 (4.3 Goal 3: Managing Residential Growth Strategies)

[https://www.essex.ca/en/build/resources/Harrow\\_Community\\_Strategic\\_Plan\\_acc.pdf](https://www.essex.ca/en/build/resources/Harrow_Community_Strategic_Plan_acc.pdf)

<sup>2</sup>Excerpt from town of essex development strategy

<https://www.essex.ca/en/town-hall/resources/HICIP-July-2015---Implementation-Strategy-Revised-January-2020.pdf>

Affordable rental housing is needed. Currently, Harrow has only a very small percentage of its housing stock in the form of rental accommodation. What is offered is of modest size and configuration. In response to the mandates of the Planning Act, the Town's general zoning by-law was amended to permit second dwelling units in single-detached, semi-detached and townhome dwellings, subject to compliance with zoning regulations regarding second dwelling units. Harrow has also experienced recent school closings rendering the school buildings and or site redundant for institutional purposes. They are suitable for redevelopment or re-use, particularly for mixed residential land uses. Harrow lacks a range of housing options and such sites provide the opportunity for addressing this deficiency. Grant incentives have been adopted to encourage such residential accommodation in suitable underutilized commercial building space and in low density residential areas within the community improvement project areas.

**Have you consulted with Town staff on this issue? \***

☐ Yes

☒ No

**If you've consulted with Town staff, please provide the names of staff members you've talked to and the details of those discussions.**

**If this is a property matter, are you an owner?**

☐ Yes

☐ No

☒ Not applicable

**Have you appeared before Council in the past regarding this issue? \***

☐ Yes

☒ No

**If you've appeared before Council in the past on this issue, please tell us the year in which you appeared.**

**Will you have written or printed materials to distribute? If so, please submit 12 copies of printed materials to the Clerk before the meeting. \***

☐ Yes

☒ No

**Will you be delivering an electronic presentation that requires access to a computer and software? If so, please submit your presentation on CD, DVD or flash drive by noon on the Friday before the Council meeting. \***

☐ Yes

☒ No

**Please describe any special needs you may have for your presentation.**

none :)

**Your Address or Group Contact Address (full mailing address including postal code) \***

David Mota

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**Your Phone Numbers**

**Home**

[REDACTED]

**Work**

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**Cell**

[REDACTED]

**Email Address**

[REDACTED]

Name and address of all representatives attending, including their positions \*

NONE

# Thank you!

Thank you for completing the Delegation Request Form.

The Clerk's Office will contact you in the near future to review your request.

**Robert Auger, LL.B.**

**Manager of Legislative Services and Clerk**

**Town of Essex**

**33 Talbot Street South, Essex, Ontario N8M 1A8**

**519-776-7336, extension 1132**