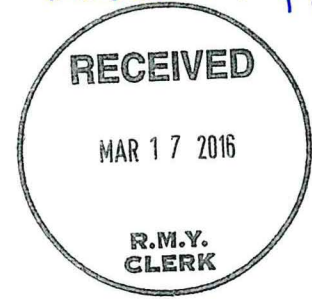




## TOWN OF GEORGINA

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Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs  
77 Grenville Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
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Attn: The Honourable Jeff Leal, Minister

Honourable Minister Leal:

Re: Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF)

Please be advised that Town Council for the Town of Georgina approved the following resolution concerning the evaluation criteria for grant funding under the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF), Building Canada Fund – Small Communities Fund:

“That Council support the position of the Town of Carleton Place requesting that all future infrastructure funding be distributed to all municipalities utilizing a fair and equitable formula, receive email correspondence from Rebecca Mathewson, Director of Administrative Services and Treasurer for the Town of Georgina, providing information concerning the rejection of Georgina’s project proposal for the second intake of the Building Canada Fund, and pass the following resolution;

WHEREAS the Town of Georgina submitted Expressions of Interest for grant funding for the purpose of Watermain Works on Woodbine Avenue and Watermain Works on Dalton Road;

AND WHEREAS the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) has advised that the Town of Georgina’s Expressions of Interest were not selected to move forward to the application stage as other municipalities were comparatively faced with more challenging economic conditions;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Georgina strives to achieve sustainable service delivery through its Asset Management Plan and sound fiscal management;

AND WHEREAS the evaluation criteria used by OMAFRA prevents the Town of Georgina from achieving access to grants available through the OCIF Build Canada Fund – Small Communities Fund due to the Town’s sound fiscal management;

AND WHEREAS the evaluation criteria used by OMAFRA are narrow in scope and do not reflect the broader economic landscape and the identified needs of the communities in the Town of Georgina;

AND WHEREAS municipalities have little ability to alter their circumstances and improve their evaluation score or ranking;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Georgina urges the Honourable Jeff Leal, Minister of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs to discontinue use of the current evaluation criteria and instead consider a fair and equitable formula that promotes access to all future infrastructure grants for all municipalities in Ontario, and that this motion be forwarded to the Region of York, its municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and local MPP’s for their information.

Sincerely,  
FOR THE TOWN OF GEORGINA,



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Council Services Coordinator

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