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The Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

**Re: Town of Aurora Council Resolution of June 23, 2015  
Motion (g) Councillor Humfryes; Re: Accessibility Advisory Committee –  
Telephone or Video Conference Participation**

Please be advised that this matter was considered by Council at its Council meeting held on June 23, 2015, and in this regard Council adopted the following resolution:

**WHEREAS** the preamble of the *Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2001*, recognizes that Ontarians with disabilities experience barriers to participating in the mainstream of Ontario society; and

**WHEREAS** The Town of Aurora supports removing barriers for persons with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS** the Accessibility Advisory Committee (“AAC”) includes citizen Members who are people with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS** in the past the AAC has had difficulty in achieving quorum for its meetings, especially during winter months; and

**WHEREAS** the *Municipal Act, 2001* does not permit electronic meeting participation in municipal boards and committees; and

**WHEREAS** these *Municipal Act, 2001* rules create a barrier to participation for members of the AAC who are people with disabilities.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT** Aurora Council supports the following resolution adopted by the Town of Newmarket Council on September 19, 2014:

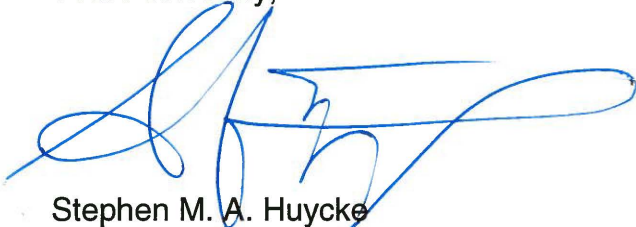
**“THAT** the Ontario Government consider the appropriate legislative amendments to the *Municipal Act, 2001* to permit telephone or video conference participation by appointed members of municipal accessibility advisory committees required by the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005*;

**AND THAT this resolution be circulated to the Hon. Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario; Hon. Brad Duguid, Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure; Hon. Ted McMeekin, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Mr. Chris Ballard, MPP; municipalities in York Region, Durham Region, Halton Region, City of Toronto and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario”; and**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Honourable Kathleen Wynne, Premier of Ontario; Honourable Brad Duguid, Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure; Honourable Ted McMeekin, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Mr. Chris Ballard, MPP; municipalities in York Region, Durham Region, Halton Region, City of Toronto and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.**

The above is for your consideration and any attention deemed necessary.

Yours sincerely,



Stephen M. A. Huycke  
Town Clerk  
The Corporation of the Town of Aurora

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Copy: The Honourable Brad Duguid, Minister of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure  
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