

## Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin Council Resolution

Date: February 13, 2024
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Resolution Number: 2024-55

9.1.2 AMO Social and Economic Prosperity Municipality Review

**Moved By**: Councillor Moreton

Seconded By: Councillor Grant

## Now Therefore Be it Resolved That:

Whereas current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining Ontario's economic prosperity and quality of life; Whereas nearly a third of municipal spending in Ontario is for services in areas of provincial responsibility and expenditures are outpacing provincial contributions by nearly \$4 billion a year;

Whereas municipal revenues, such as property taxes, do not grow with the economy or inflation;

Whereas unprecedented population and housing growth will require significant investments in municipal infrastructure;

Whereas municipalities are being asked to take on complex health and social challenges – like homelessness, supporting asylum seekers and addressing the mental health and addictions crises;

Whereas inflation, rising interest rates, and provincial policy decisions are sharply constraining municipal fiscal capacity; Whereas property taxpayers – including people on fixed incomes and small businesses – can't afford to subsidize income redistribution programs for those most in need;

Whereas the province can, and should, invest more in the prosperity of communities;

Whereas municipalities and the provincial government have a strong history of collaboration;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Province of Ontario commit to undertaking with the Association of Municipalities of Ontario a comprehensive social and economic prosperity review to promote the stability and sustainability of municipal finances across Ontario; And further that a copy of this motion be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

cc: Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing MPP Victor Fedeli Association of Municipalities of Ontario Ontario Municipalities

Councillor Manson

Results: Carried		
Recorded Vote:		
Member of Council	<u>In Favour</u>	Opposed
Mayor Gould		
Councillor Moreton		
Councillor Latimer		
Councillor Grant		

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