

RESOLUTION 12-19

DATE: February 23, 2012

MOVED BY: Denis Turcot

SECONDED BY: Louise Ross

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario's vision for affordable housing is to improve access to adequate, suitable and affordable housing; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has developed the Long-Term Affordable Housing Strategy to support that vision by focusing on transforming the way housing and homelessness services are delivered; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has enacted the Housing Services Act which states the provincial interests in a system of housing and homelessness including: allowing for a range of housing options to meet a broad range of needs; and

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has developed the Investment in Affordable Housing (IAH) for Ontario program, a joint initiative between Ontario and the federal government for the creation and repair of affordable housing over four years; and

WHEREAS the Investment in Affordable Housing now incorporates the former Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program which as a result, based on the past 3 fiscal years of allocations leaves a funding shortfall to the Northern Ontario Service Deliverers Association (NOSDA) and their respective organizations; and

WHEREAS the Investment in Affordable Housing program does include a capital component for the construction of new Affordable Rental Housing; and

WHEREAS the DSSAB/CMSM's that are members of NOSDA have received funding requests under the IAH capital program component for the construction of new Affordable Housing in excess of \$95 million to date; and

WHEREAS the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has only allocated \$23.8 million to the members of NOSDA which falls drastically below the required \$95 million in their communities; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT NOSDA request a meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to discuss the loss of RRAP funding and the additional funding required to meet the needs of the residents we serve; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the NOSDA forward this resolution to its member municipalities requesting their support for a meeting with the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Federal Minister responsible for Canada Mortgage and Housing, AMO, OMSSA and member municipalities.

Carried

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