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Josh Machesney, City Clerk / Manager of Legislative Services

March 22, 2024

Andrea Fisher  
Director of Legislative Services / Clerk,  
The Town of Goderich  
afisher@goderich.ca

**RE: Council Support for the Town of Goderich re: Return to Combined ROMA and OGRA Conferences**

Dear Andrea Fisher:

This letter will serve to advise that at a meeting of City of Quinte West Council held on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Council supported the attached resolution from the Town of Goderich regarding "Return to Combined ROMA and OGRA Conferences" by passing the following resolution:

**Motion No 24-190 – Printed Information Support Town of Goderich – Return to combined ROMA & OGRA Conferences**

Moved by Councillor Alyea

Seconded by Councillor McCue

That Council support the resolution from the Town of Goderich regarding "Return to Combined ROMA and OGRA Conferences". **Carried**

I trust this is the information and support you require.

Yours Truly,

CITY OF QUINTE WEST

Josh Machesney,  
City Clerk / Manager of Legislative Services

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Friday, March 8, 2024

Rural Ontario Municipal Association  
ATTN: Board of Directors

SENT VIA EMAIL: [roma@roma.on.ca](mailto:roma@roma.on.ca)

Ontario Good Roads Association  
ATTN: Board of Directors

SENT VIA EMAIL: [info@goodroads.ca](mailto:info@goodroads.ca)

RE: Return to Combined ROMA and OGRA Conferences

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Dear ROMA & OGRA Board of Directors,

Please be advised of the following motion passed at the Monday, February 26, 2024, Goderich Town Council Meeting:

Moved By: Councillor Kelly  
Seconded By: Councillor Petrie

WHEREAS as a past attendee of combined conferences, it makes great sense for the OGRA & ROMA conferences to be returned to a combined conference effort, not only financially for the municipality but also for availability for participation of members of Council and staff; and

WHEREAS these conferences afford a vital opportunity for delegations with members of our provincial parliament, returning to a combined conference provides a better respect to their availability and participation; and

WHEREAS during the 2019 OGRA conference AGM a resolution was passed regarding the re-establishment of an annual combined conference for both OGRA & ROMA; and

WHEREAS it is understandable that little movement has happened since the resolution at the 2019 OGRA conference AGM was passed, due to delays of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS not all persons who wish to attend can do so in person, that a hybrid participation option be considered for the sessions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Goderich call upon both the ROMA & OGRA boards to re-establish a combined OGRA & ROMA annual conference.

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FURTHERMORE that this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Minister Paul Calandra, MPP Ben Lobb and be circulated to Municipalities of Ontario; as amended.

**CARRIED**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 519-524-8344 ext. 210 or [afisher@goderich.ca](mailto:afisher@goderich.ca).

Yours truly,

Andrea Fisher  
Director of Legislative Services/Clerk  
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