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Her Worship Olivia Chow
Office of the Mayor
City Hall, 2nd Floor
100 Queen Street West
Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N2

Dear Mayor Chow:

Re: Toronto City Council Membership in the Association of Municipalities of Ontario

I am writing to follow up on a recent conversation between AMO and City of Toronto officials on the possibility of the City of Toronto becoming a member of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) in 2025.

On behalf of the AMO Board of Directors, I am pleased to provide additional information that may assist City staff and Council in their deliberations.

Membership in AMO would further strengthen the ongoing collaboration of the City and AMO in advancing good public policy in Ontario. It would not otherwise affect the City in its engagement with other orders of government or public agencies. For example, as a signatory to the recently renewed Canada Community-Building Fund agreement, the City would continue to receive its share of annual funding directly from the Government of Canada and would remain directly accountable to the federal government for its administration of the agreement.

Similarly, membership in AMO would have no impact on the City's appointment responsibilities for the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS) governing boards, or its arrangements for City appointments to the board of the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC).

AMO is not aware of any situation in which Toronto's membership in AMO would have any impact on the City's engagement or relationships with other organizations.

I hope this information is helpful. I would be pleased to provide any additional information that may be of interest. City officials can also contact AMO Executive Director Brian Rosborough who would be pleased to assist in any way.

Sincerely,



Robin Jones
AMO President

cc: Paul Johnson, City Manager, City of Toronto
Jean Abou-Saab, Deputy Chief of Staff, Intergovernmental and Agency Relations, City of Toronto
Brian Rosborough, Executive Director, AMO