

Hospital, transportation, and long-term care highlight successful AMO conference for Welland delegates

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Welland, ON – The City of Welland's delegation for this year's Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) virtual conference – held from August 16-18 – completed a successful series of meetings with various representatives from the provincial government.

Mayor Frank Campion, Councillor Adam Moote, and corporate leadership staff, advocated for City initiatives and strategic priorities aimed to enhance the quality of life for Welland residents now and into the future, including the benefit and importance of the Welland Hospital, mental health and addictions, additional permanent long-term care beds, and the environment.

"The opportunity to highlight the challenges and the voice of the people in the City of Welland with provincial leaders is critical to the growth and quality of life we offer," said Campion. "The health of our community is reflective of the services and facilities we can offer and working with provincial partners to achieve success in all these areas is a significant component of every Council's mandate."

Held virtually for the second year in a row due to COVID-19, a total of more than 400 online delegation meetings with provincial ministries and ministers took place with members from municipally elected officials and staff.

This year, City of Welland delegates attended meetings with:

- Minister of Labour, Training & Skills, Parliamentary Assistant Deepak Anand
- Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism & Culture Industries
- Ministry of Transportation
- Ministry of Francophone Affairs
- Ministry of Environment, Conservation & Parks, Hon. David Piccini
- Minister of Health, Associate Minister Hon. Michael Tibollo
- Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation & Trade, Hon. Nina Tangri
- Ministry of Long-Term Care, Hon. Rod Phillips

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