

Welland delegates complete AMO conference schedule of meetings with cabinet ministers, parliamentary assistants

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Welland, ON – Attending this year's Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) conference from Aug. 14 to 17, City of Welland delegates met with various cabinet ministers and parliamentary assistants to raise awareness of the city's critical projects and strategic priorities.

Topics raised by Welland delegates included hospital capacities, physician attraction, mental health, long-term care, growth planning, and more.

Mayor Frank Champion, and Councillors Adam Moote, John Chiocchio, John Mastroianni, Leo Van Vliet, and Graham Speck, along with members of the city's corporate leadership team, met with:

- Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Hon. Caroline Mulroney, Minister of Transportation and Francophone Affairs
- Hon. Neil Lumsden, Minister of Tourism, Culture, and Sport
- Hon. Victor Fedeli, Minister of Economic Development, Job Creation, and Trade
- Hon. David Piccini, Minister of Environment, Conservation, and Parks
- Ric Bresee, Parliamentary Assistant, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
- Robin Martin, Parliamentary Assistant, Ministry of Health
- John Jordan, Parliamentary Assistant, Ministry of Long-Term Care
- Amarjot Sandhu, Parliamentary Assistant, Ministry of Infrastructure

"Attending AMO is important for our community; it allows the City of Welland to meet with decision-makers at the provincial level to discuss Welland's future," said Mayor Champion. "Welland is becoming the heart of Niagara and prospering. Our relationships with the province are as important as ever."

Welland delegates, after consecutive years of virtual participation, were able to connect with provincial and other municipal representatives in-person in Ottawa.

AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports and enhances strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as an essential component of Ontario and Canada's political system. For more information on AMO, visit www.amo.on.ca.

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