

Date: March 18, 2016



Resolution Number 155 -16

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH FRONTENAC

Moved by: Wayne Good Seconded by: John Gohi

WHEREAS the Independent Electrical System Operator has requested input on the RFP process used to award renewable energy contracts;

AND WHEREAS the government indicated that new contracts would be directed to willing host communities with the Minister of Energy indicating on March 7 that it would be 'almost impossible' for a contract to be granted under the current process without municipal agreement;

AND WHEREAS four of the six contracts announced on March 10 2016 did not have municipal support for the project;

AND WHEREAS the current process does not meet the government's standards for openness and transparency because municipal Councils are asked to support power projects based on little or no detail and further, the recipient municipalities are unable to determine the basis on which individual contracts were awarded;

AND WHEREAS the province has not demonstrated that renewable energy projects are of sufficient strategic importance in meeting Ontario's electricity generation requirements and/or carbon emission reduction targets to warrant the province taking action to override municipal decisions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of North Frontenac requests:

- 1. That the Municipal Support Resolution become a mandatory requirement in the IESO process;
2. That the rules be amended to require that the resolution related to this support must be considered in an open Council meeting held after the community engagement meeting organized by the proponent;
3. That full details of the project, including siting of project elements and site consideration reports, are required to be made available at the community engagement meeting and to the Council before the resolution is considered;
4. That the terms of any municipal agreement related to the project also need be discussed in open Council and that such agreements cannot contain terms that limit the municipality's ability to exercise Municipal Act powers relative to the project;
5. That the process includes the requirement for the municipality to provide comments on the project directly to the IESO;
6. That any points for Aboriginal participation in a given power project be limited to the First Nation who has a comprehensive claim on the land where the project will be built;
7. That any announcement of the successful bidders includes an explanation of the points awarded to each bid.

Carried

Deputy

Mayor

Signature of Fred T. Rung

AND THAT the Mayor is authorized to

AND THAT this Resolution be provided to the President of IESO, Minister of Energy. All municipalities within the Province; Randy Hillier, MPP and Amos