

**Corporation of the Town of Essex**

**Municipal Resolution on Widening Highway 3 to Improve Public Safety**

**MOVED BY: Councillor Snively**

**RESOLUTION NO. R16-05-180**

**SECONDED BY: Deputy Mayor Meloche**

**DATE: May 2, 2016**

**WHEREAS** the late Bruce Crozier, as Member of Provincial Parliament for Essex from 1993 to 2011, successfully advocated for the widening of Highway 3 (Bruce Crozier Way) from Windsor to Leamington to address public safety concerns with this stretch of Highway 3.

**AND WHEREAS** two phases of the three-phase Highway 3 Road Widening project were completed by the Ministry of Transportation but the third phase of the Project (covering the stretch of Highway 3 from the Town of Essex to the Town of Leamington) is, based on our understanding, not currently in their short term planning;

**AND WHEREAS** a number of traffic accidents have since occurred on the current two-lane stretch of Highway 3 between Essex and Leamington, with the most recent fatal accident having occurred on April 27, 2016 just east of County Road 23;

**AND WHEREAS** public safety concerns persist today as it relates to this heavily travelled section of Highway 3 which is a major transportation corridor for industrial, agricultural and commercial trade in Southwestern Ontario;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Government of Ontario be called upon to make it a top priority to complete the final phase of the Highway 3 Widening Project (between Essex and Leamington); and

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ministry of Transportation, the AMO and to all municipalities within the Province with a request for support.

**"CARRIED"**



**Mayor McDermott**