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Your Worship Mayor Alar Soever Town of the Blue Mountains mayor@thebluemountains.ca

Dear Mayor Soever: Hlas

I would like to thank you, Councillor Paula Hope, Councillor Rob Sampson, and Chief Administrative Officer Shawn Everitt, for taking the time to meet with me at the 2022 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference. Maintaining a close relationship with AMO and its members will continue to be critical as we recover and work towards boosting Ontario's economy.

I appreciated hearing about the town's request for a Minister's Zoning Order, the challenges facing employees trying to find affordable accommodation, and your suggestions regarding affordable housing.

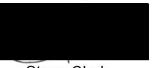
As discussed during your delegation, the Zoning Order request has been received and is currently being considered. I understand that ministry staff have been in regular contact with town staff regarding the requested Minister's Zoning Order.

If you or your staff would like to discuss these matters further, ministry staff would be pleased to assist. Please feel free to contact Ian Kerr, Regional Director in the Western Region Municipal Services Office at 519-873-4026 or lan.Kerr@ontario.ca. You can also contact my Senior Manager, Stakeholder Relations, Stephanie DiNucci, at Stephanie.DiNucci@ontario.ca.

We will continue to work closely with our municipal leaders to build on the progress that has been made in building a vibrant, more resilient Ontario for generations to come. Thank you for your dedication and service to your communities and your continued support and partnership.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to meet with me at the AMO Conference.

Sincerely,



Steve Clark Minister

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