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Honourable Sylvia Jones
Solicitor General
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Dear Honourable Jones,

Re: Community Safety and Well-Being Plan – Extension Request

Like all municipalities, the City of Kawartha Lakes has been responding to the pandemic in our community since March of 2020. This response, and plans for recovery from the effects of COVID-19 have required us to make difficult decisions on how resources have been allocated. Many important projects have been delayed due to this unprecedented situation including the development of our Community Safety and Well-Being Plan.

The process to develop our Plan is underway. An Advisory Committee has been established and data from many sources has been analyzed to identify four priority focus areas: Mental Health and Addictions, Youth, Poverty and Housing.

In order to have meaningful consultation with stakeholders and our community we are respectfully requesting an extension to the deadline of July 1, 2021. We want to ensure the Kawartha Lakes Community Safety and Well-Being Plan reflects the needs of our residents and we require further time to ensure we have gathered appropriate feedback. Our revised timetable will see the Plan completed by December 31, 2021.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our request. Please do not hesitate to reach out should you require any further information.

Sincerely,


Andy Letham
Mayor

CC: Mark Mitchell, Police Chief, Kawartha Lakes Police Service
Inspector Tim Tatchell, Detachment Commander, OPP – Kawartha Lakes
Rod Sutherland, Director, Human Services, City of Kawartha Lakes
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