



TOWN OF CORNWALL

RESOLUTION

DATE: January 15, 2020

DEPARTMENT: Finance/Administration

MOTION NUMBER: F/A-01-2020

MOTION CARRIED 4-0 ✓

MOTION LOST _____

MOTION WITHDRAWN _____

Moved by Councillor

Corey Frizzell

Seconded by Councillor

Elaine Barnes

Whereas: Almost 2 billion people around the world do not have access to clean drinking water, 4 billion people face severe water scarcity and 2.5 billion people do not have adequate sanitation,

And Whereas: On July 28, 2010 the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution recognizing human rights to water and sanitation,

And Whereas: Recognizing these rights to water and sanitation is one of three steps, in addition to banning bottled water in municipal facilities and at municipal events and the promotion of public water and wastewater infrastructure, needed to declare the Town of Cornwall a “Blue Community”,

Therefore, Be it Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall recognizes and affirms that water and sanitation services are fundamental human rights,

And Be it Further Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall will make every reasonable effort to find a solution in cases of non-payment before shutting off water and wastewater services in any residence for non-payment of the water and wastewater services,

And Be it Further Resolved: That where access to municipal potable water is available, single use bottled water will not be sold in municipal facilities, from municipally owned or municipally administered concessions, or from vending machines in municipal facilities, and that single use



bottled water will not be provided at municipal meetings or events where access to municipal water is available,

And Be it Further Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall oppose privatization in any form of water and wastewater treatment infrastructure and services and commits to keep these services publicly financed, owned, operated and managed,

And Be it Further Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall lobby the federal government to fulfill its responsibility to support municipal infrastructure by investing in a national water and wastewater infrastructure fund, that would fund only public projects, to address the growing need to renew existing water and wastewater infrastructure and to build new systems,

And Be it Further Resolved: That the Town of Cornwall forward this resolution to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for circulation to its members and the federal government.