



Municipality of West Elgin

Agenda

Special Council Meeting

August 6, 2026, 4:00 p.m.

Recreation Centre

135 Queen Street

Rodney

Council Meetings are temporarily held in-person at 135 Queen Street, Rodney (Rodney Recreation Centre), and the post-meeting recording available at www.westelgin.net, when available (pending no technical difficulties).

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86804567608?pwd=bxxJdOmn1rudZMDkDcV5oqUu20gX5b.1>

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Adoption of Agenda**

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby adopts the Special Meeting Agenda of August 6, 2026, as presented.

- 3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**
- 4. Staff Reports**

4.1 2025 Reserve Transfers

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council hereby receives the report from Emma Nilsson, Manager of Corporate Services/Treasurer;

That \$23,169.07 be authorized to be transferred from the Road Reserve to fund the Kerr line resurfacing costs incurred in 2025;

That \$24,442.41 be authorized to be transferred from the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve to the Arena Facility Upgrades Reserve to account for 2023 and 2024 interest earned; And

That \$9,487.34 be authorized to be transferred from the Tax Rate Stabilization Reserve to the Arena Dehumidification System Reserve to account for 2023 and 2024 interest earned.

4.2 Support for MFOA Advocating for a Permanent Doubling of OCIF

Recommendation:

That West Elgin Council receives the report from Emma Nilsson, Manager of Corporate Services/Treasurer; and

Whereas recent municipal infrastructure funding programs by the Government of Canada and Province of Ontario have tended to prioritize growth-related or housing-enabling infrastructure projects over infrastructure renewal needs;

Whereas the Government of Ontario has regulated municipal infrastructure asset management through O. Reg 588/17 (Asset Management Planning for Municipal Infrastructure) under the Infrastructure for Jobs and Prosperity Act, 2015;

Whereas municipal asset management plans and the Financial Accountability Office of Ontario have identified that municipalities have significant state-of-good-repair backlogs and renewal needs for infrastructure;

Whereas the Government of Ontario doubled the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) from \$200M/year to \$400M/year for 2021-2026 but has not publicly committed to maintaining this level of funding beyond 2026;

Whereas the OCIF has become a vital and indispensable resource for municipalities, assisting them with improving their asset management programs and meeting community-preserving infrastructure renewal needs;

Whereas increased geopolitical uncertainty is threatening the economic prosperity of Canada, Ontario, and every municipality;

Whereas municipal infrastructure is a key enabler and preserver of economic prosperity; And

Whereas the Municipal Finance Officers' Association of Ontario (MFOA) has heard from its members and their municipalities concerns regarding the potential erosion of existing municipal infrastructure and thus service levels in light of the ongoing focus on housing-enabling infrastructure by grant funding programs;

That the Municipality of West Elgin support MFOA's letter to the Ministry of Infrastructure requesting that the doubling of the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund be made permanent in advance of the allocations for the 2027 calendar year, helping municipalities to continue building housing-enabling infrastructure while preserving the economic value provided by existing infrastructure; And

That the Treasurer be directed to provide a copy of this resolution to MFOA, the Acting Minister of Infrastructure, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of Finance.

5. Statement from the Mayor

6. Confirmatory By-law

Recommendation:

That By-law 2026-47 being a By-law to confirm the proceeding of the Special Meeting of Council held on August 6, 2026, be read a first, second and third and final time.

7. Adjournment

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of West Elgin hereby adjourn the Special Meeting of Council at _____ to meet again at 4:00pm, on Thursday, August 13, 2026, or at the call of the Chair.