

Where Ships Climb The Mountain...

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Niagara Region 1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way, Thorold, ON L2V 4T7

Attention: Mr. Frank Tassone Director of Transportation Services

Dear Frank:

Re: Proposed Transfer of Roadway Jurisdiction by the Ministry of Transportation to the Niagara Region – Hwy. 20 from Hwy. 58 to Thorold Townline Rd. in the City of Thorold

The City of Thorold is experiencing unprecedented growth in the Rolling Meadows community and is planning to exceed its growth targets for the next couple of years. In our preparation to manage the impacts of new development we look forward to working with the Niagara Region to ensure that key initiatives like active transportation, transit route expansion and *Complete Street* design criteria are strategically used to shape individual development projects.

The section of Hwy. 20 (from Hwy. 58 to Thorold Townline Road) plays an integral role in the movement of local goods and services in an east-west direction across the Niagara Region and functions well as an arterial road. Its connectivity to NR 20 (east of Hwy.58) and NR 20 (west of Thorold Townline Rd. at Lundy's Lane in the City of Niagara Falls) no longer suits its original design as a rural, controlled-access highway.

The transfer of this section of roadway jurisdiction to the Niagara Region, at no cost, will allow the City of Thorold and the Niagara Region to cost effectively plan, construct and service this corridor in a coordinated and collaborative way.

Please share the City of Thorold's support for this undertaking in your discussions with the Ministry of Transportation and keep us apprised of the status of this important initiative.

Yours truly, **Geoff Holman** Signed with Consigno Cloud (2024/06/10) Verify with verifio.com or Adobe Reader.

Geoff Holman, Director of Public Works and Community Services

cc. Terry Ugulini, Mayor Manoj Dilwaria, CAO