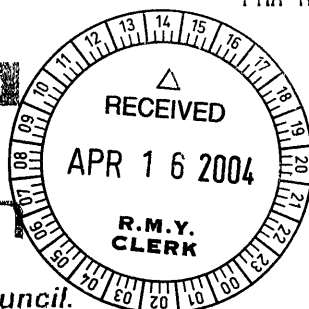


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To the attention of the Clerk and Council.

April 15, 2004 – FYI 04/009

MINISTER EXTENDS AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM DEADLINE

Issue: Change will allow more municipalities to prepare a submission under the existing program and receive funding for municipal housing projects.

Background: In the following letter, Hon. David Caplan, Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal, wrote to AMO President Ann Mulvale to advise that after staff-to-staff meetings on municipal concerns regarding the Affordable Housing Program, the deadline for submission has been extended to August 31, 2004.

March 30, 2004

Her Worship Ann Mulvale
President
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303 University Avenue, Suite 1701
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Dear Ms Mulvale:

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I am writing to congratulate the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and its municipal members on the hard work and dedication that made the recent Affordable Housing Program funding announcements possible.

As you are aware, I am committed to overhauling the program and re-launching it as a new and improved effort to provide affordable housing in Ontario. I understand that my staff recently met with you for the first of a series of meetings on ways to improve the program. I was pleased to hear that this was a successful meeting and appreciate all of the helpful feedback that you were able to provide.

I understand that there remains some concern regarding the submission deadlines under the program. I am pleased to inform you that I am further extending the program deadline to August 31, 2004 to encourage new submissions while a new program is being developed.

I would like to reiterate that we look forward to working with you in strengthening our current efforts.

Yours sincerely,

*Original signed by Minister David Caplan*David Caplan
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