



RESOLUTION OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

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1. Whereas the impacts of COVID-19 on municipally administered Provincial Offences Court have resulted in a higher volume of pending *Provincial Offence Act* trial matters.
2. Whereas immediate regulatory and legislative changes are critical to delivering services to the public by putting in place the most modern, efficient, and effective justice system attainable.
3. Whereas the proposed Early Resolution reforms in Bill 177 *Stronger, Fairer Ontario Act (Budget Measures) 2017* do not fully support the objectives of the Ministry of the Attorney General pertaining to creating a modernized and efficient justice system.
4. Therefore, Be it Resolved, that Council requests the Attorney General of Ontario to halt the proclamation of the Early Resolution reforms included in Bill 177 *Stronger Fairer Ontario Act (Budget Measures), 2017* and take immediate action to streamline and modernize this section of the legislation by making it easier and more convenient for the public and prosecutors to engage in resolution discussions and by making it more effective and efficient to administer early resolution proceedings for Part I and Part II offences in the Provincial Offences Court.
5. And furthermore, that Council requests the Attorney General of Ontario to enact changes to the *Provincial Offences Act* and any related regulations to permit the prosecutor and defendant or legal representative to agree, at any stage of a proceeding, to a resolution in writing for proceedings commenced under Part I or Part II of the *Provincial Offences Act* and to permit the Clerk of the Court to register the court outcome immediately upon receipt of the written agreement without requiring an appearance before a justice of the peace.

## **ATTACHMENT 2**

6. And furthermore, that Council requests the Ministry of Transportation in consultation with Municipalities give consideration to suspending (temporarily) the imposition of demerit points for persons who pay their ticket in cases where they have no previous relevant convictions.