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CL 9-2019, April 25, 2019 CSC 4-2019, April 17, 2019 CSD 29-2019, April 17, 2019

LOCAL AREA MUNICIPALITIES

SENT ELECTRONICALLY

Bill 142 – Construction Lien Amendment Act, 2017 CSD 29-2019

Regional Council, at its meeting held on April 25, 2019, passed the following recommendation of its Corporate Services Committee:

- That Regional Council ENDORSE the recommendations made by the Association of Municipalities Ontario (AMO) to the Ministry of the Attorney General to consider the following additional changes to the recently amended Construction Act:
 - Owners should be provided more than 14 days to publish a notice of nonpayment to ensure that due diligence is completed before payment of a proper invoice is required (e.g. 21 business days);
 - The time period between December 24th to January 2nd of each calendar year should be excluded from the calculation of time with respect to Prompt Payment and Adjudication;
 - The date for implementing the Prompt Payment and Adjudication regimes should be postponed from October 1, 2019 to one year following the establishment of the Authorized Nominating Authority (ANA); and
 - That the Ministry create and communicate practice guides, interpretation bulletins, and webinars in alignment with Recommendations 97 & 98 of the Expert Panel's Report to educate owners, contractors, and subcontractors of the new regimes;
- 2. That the Regional Chair **BE DIRECTED** to send a letter to the Ministry of the Attorney General to consider the recommendations made by AMO respecting the changes to the *Construction Act*; and

3. That Report CSD 29-2019 BE CIRCULATED to the local area municipalities.

A copy of CSD 29-2019 is enclosed for your reference.

Yours truly,

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