

POLICY UPDATE

Policy Update - Social and Economic Prosperity Review

Yesterday, <u>AMO presented</u> to the Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs outlining our recommendations for the provincial 2024 budget. AMO highlighted how the current provincial-municipal fiscal arrangements are undermining the social and economic prosperity of Ontario. We are asking the provincial government to sit down with municipalities and work together on a social and economic prosperity review: a joint review of revenues, costs and financial risks and a detailed analysis of Ontario's infrastructure investment and service delivery needs.

We need your help.

Municipal councils are encouraged to support AMO's ongoing advocacy efforts by:

- Highlighting the challenges municipalities are facing and the need for this review during delegations at the upcoming ROMA conference in January, meetings with local MPPs, and your communities, using key messages included in <u>AMO's pre-budget backgrounder</u>
- Passing a <u>council resolution</u> at your next meeting, calling on the province to commit to this review in its upcoming provincial budget
- Sharing your support with local media channels using our <u>news release template</u>
- Meeting with or writing to local MPPs (<u>sample wording</u>) in advance of provincial budget