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### Press Release

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#### **AMO Partners with Barrier-Free Web Solution Provider**

**October 24, 2019 – Toronto, Ontario** - The Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) is partnering with eSolutionsGroup (eSolutions) to offer AMO members cost-effective website solutions that meet accessibility requirements and ensure that all members of the community can access information and online municipal services that they need.

eSolutions is an industry leader in providing AODA and WCAG 2.0 accessible and responsive digital solutions. With a team of more than 80 dedicated staff members proven in project management, they are committed to providing a professional, structured and fulfilling client experience. With more than 350 public sector clients across North America and 20 years of experience and expertise, eSolutions keeps citizens connected with their governments.

“A quality, accessible website is the face of the municipality and important to engaging and serving the public effectively,” said AMO President Jamie McGarvey. “AMO supports an inclusive and accessible approach to online information and services so that all residents benefit from the convenience and ease of these platforms. Our research found that eSolutions’ approach and templates for building barrier-free websites has been serving Ontario municipalities well for years.”

Since the 2017 release of #OnMuni Online: Towards Digital Transformation and Opportunities for Ontario’s Municipal Governments, AMO has been partnering with leading solution providers to offer scalable, affordable, and easy-to-use technologies to help members find ways to be more efficient and reduce costs.

"Ontario is our home. It's where we operate and where we've grown relationships with

some of our closest partners. Being deeply familiar with the Ontario digital landscape has allowed us to help municipalities better serve their citizens through efficient, centralized solutions and services," said Karen Mayfield, President of eSolutionsGroup. "We develop our products and services alongside our clients, so we understand the unique pain points and pressures that come with local governance. Our team is proud to earn the trust of our public institution partners and we don't take that confidence lightly. We're honoured to partner with AMO and continue to evolve our offerings."

AMO has been actively engaging with municipal governments on their needs and experience with website development. Following a survey and more in-depth consultation with members, eSolutions was selected as an AMO preferred partner for website development. AMO is committed to an accessible Ontario by 2025 and considers municipal governments to be at the forefront of efforts to creating accessible communities for their residents.

**About AMO** – AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario and Canada's political system.

**About eSolutionsGroup, a GHD Company** – eSolutions is an award-winning, privately held consulting firm based in Waterloo, Ontario with accompanying offices in Ottawa and Toronto. eSolutions is a division of GHD, the world's leading professional services company operating in global markets. GHD employs more than 10,000 people in 200 offices in 135 countries. eSolutions' clients include municipalities, governments, public sector organizations, non-profit organizations and businesses. Driven by a client-service led culture, we connect the knowledge, skill and experience of our people with innovative practices, technical capabilities and robust systems to create lasting community benefits.

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