Strong Mayor Powers Proposed for 169 Additional Municipalities

April 09, 2025

Municipal Affairs and Housing

The heads of council of the following municipalities would <u>get access to strong</u> <u>mayor powers</u> effective May 1, 2025:

- 1. Township of Adjala-Tosorontio
- 2. Town of Amherstburg
- 3. Town of Arnprior
- 4. Municipality of Arran-Elderslie
- 5. Township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh
- 6. Township of Athens
- 7. Town of Atikokan
- 8. Town of Aylmer
- 9. Town of Bancroft
- 10. Township of Black River-Matheson
- 11. Town of Blind River
- 12. Municipality of Bluewater
- 13. Town of Bracebridge
- 14. County of Brant
- 15. Municipality of Brighton
- 16. Township of Brock
- 17. Municipality of Brockton
- 18. City of Brockville
- 19. Town of Carleton Place
- 20. Municipality of Central Elgin
- 21. Township of Central Frontenac
- 22. Municipality of Central Huron
- 23. Municipality of Central Manitoulin
- 24. Township of Centre Wellington
- 25. Township of Champlain
- 26. City of Clarence-Rockland

- 27. Township of Clearview
- 28. Town of Cobalt
- 29. Town of Cobourg
- 30. Town of Cochrane
- 31. Town of Collingwood
- 32. City of Cornwall
- 33. Town of Deep River
- 34. City of Dryden
- 35. United Townships of Dysart, Dudley, Harcourt, Guilford, Harburn, Bruton, Havelock, Eyre and Clyde
- 36. Township of East Zorra-Tavistock
- 37. Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley
- 38. City of Elliot Lake
- 39. Town of Englehart
- 40. Town of Espanola
- 41. Town of Essex
- 42. Town of Fort Erie
- 43. Town of Fort Frances
- 44. Municipality of French River
- 45. Town of Gananoque
- 46. Township of Georgian Bay
- 47. Township of Georgian Bluffs
- 48. Town of Goderich
- 49. Town of Gore Bay
- 50. Town of Gravenhurst
- 51. Town of Greater Napanee
- 52. Municipality of Greenstone
- 53. Municipality of Grey Highlands
- 54. Town of Grimsby
- 55. Town of Hanover
- 56. Municipality of Hastings Highlands
- 57. Town of Hawkesbury
- 58. Town of Hearst
- 59. Town of Huntsville
- 60. Municipality of Huron East
- 61. Municipality of Huron Shores
- 62. Township of Huron-Kinloss
- 63. Town of Ingersoll
- 64. Town of Iroquois Falls

- 65. Town of Kapuskasing
- 66. City of Kenora
- 67. Township of Killaloe, Hagarty & Richards
- 68. Municipality of Killarney
- 69. Municipality of Kincardine
- 70. Township of King
- 71. Town of Kingsville
- 72. Town of Kirkland Lake
- 73. Township of Lake of Bays
- 74. Municipality of Lakeshore
- 75. Municipality of Lambton Shores
- 76. Township of Lanark Highlands
- 77. Town of LaSalle
- 78. Town of Latchford
- 79. Township of Laurentian Valley
- 80. Municipality of Leamington
- 81. Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands
- 82. Town of Lincoln
- 83. Loyalist Township
- 84. Township of Malahide
- 85. Town of Mattawa
- 86. Municipality of Meaford
- 87. Municipality of Middlesex Centre
- 88. Town of Midland
- 89. Township of Minden Hills
- 90. Town of Minto
- 91. Municipality of Mississippi Mills
- 92. Township of Muskoka Lakes
- 93. The Nation Municipality
- 94. Municipality of Neebing
- 95. Town of New Tecumseth
- 96. Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake
- 97. Norfolk County
- 98. Township of North Frontenac
- 99. Township of North Glengarry
- 100. Township of North Huron
- 101. Municipality of North Middlesex
- 102. Municipality of North Perth
- 103. Town of Northeastern Manitoulin and the Islands

- 104. Town of Orangeville
- 105. City of Orillia*
- 106. Township of Oro-Medonte
- 107. City of Owen Sound
- 108. Town of Parry Sound
- 109. Town of Pelham
- 110. City of Pembroke
- 111. Town of Penetanguishene
- 112. Town of Perth
- 113. Township of Perth East
- 114. Township of Perth South
- 115. Town of Petawawa
- 116. Town of Petrolia
- 117. Town of Plympton-Wyoming
- 118. City of Port Colborne
- 119. Municipality of Port Hope
- 120. Town of Prescott
- 121. County of Prince Edward
- 122. City of Quinte West
- 123. Town of Rainy River
- 124. Township of Ramara
- 125. Town of Renfrew
- 126. Township of Rideau Lakes
- 127. Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers
- 128. Town of Saugeen Shores
- 129. Township of Scugog
- 130. Township of Seguin
- 131. Township of Severn
- 132. Town of Shelburne
- 133. Municipality of Sioux Lookout
- 134. Town of Smiths Falls
- 135. Township of South Algonquin
- 136. Municipality of South Bruce
- 137. Township of South Frontenac
- 138. Municipality of South Huron
- 139. Township of Southgate
- 140. Municipality of Southwest Middlesex
- 141. Township of South-West Oxford
- 142. Township of Springwater

- 143. Township of St. Clair
- 144. Town of St. Marys
- 145. City of St. Thomas
- 146. Township of Stone Mills
- 147. City of Stratford
- 148. Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc
- 149. Township of Tay
- 150. Tay Valley Township
- 151. Town of Tecumseh
- 152. Municipality of Temagami
- 153. City of Temiskaming Shores
- 154. Township of The Archipelago
- 155. Town of The Blue Mountains
- 156. Town of Thessalon
- 157. City of Thorold
- 158. Town of Tillsonburg
- 159. City of Timmins
- 160. Municipality of Trent Hills
- 161. Township of Uxbridge
- 162. Town of Wasaga Beach
- 163. Municipality of West Grey
- 164. Township of West Lincoln
- 165. Municipality of West Nipissing
- 166. Municipality of West Perth
- 167. Township of Whitewater Region
- 168. Township of Wilmot
- 169. Township of Woolwich

Currently, there are 47 heads of council with strong mayor powers in the province of Ontario. Below is a list of these municipalities and the dates those powers were granted:

- 1. Town of Ajax: July 1, 2023
- 2. Town of Aurora: October 31, 2023
- 3. City of Barrie: July 1, 2023
- 4. City of Belleville: October 31, 2023
- 5. Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury: October 31, 2023
- 6. City of Brampton: July 1, 2023
- 7. City of Brantford: July 1, 2023
- 8. City of Burlington: July 1, 2023

- 9. Town of Caledon: July 1, 2023
- 10. City of Cambridge: July 1, 2023
- 11. Municipality of Chatham-Kent: October 31, 2023
- 12. Municipality of Clarington: July 1, 2023
- 13. Town of East Gwillimbury: October 31, 2023
- 14. Town of Georgina: October 31, 2023
- 15. City of Greater Sudbury: October 31, 2023
- 16. City of Guelph: July 1, 2023
- 17. Town of Halton Hills: October 31, 2023
- 18. City of Hamilton: July 1, 2023
- 19. Town of Innisfil: October 31, 2023
- 20. City of Kawartha Lakes: October 31, 2023
- 21. City of Kingston: July 1, 2023
- 22. City of Kitchener: July 1, 2023
- 23. City of London: July 1, 2023
- 24. City of Markham: July 1,2023
- 25. Town of Milton: July 1, 2023
- 26. City of Mississauga: July 1, 2023
- 27. City of Niagara Falls: July 1, 2023
- 28. City of North Bay: October 31, 2023
- 29. Town of Oakville: July 1, 2023
- 30. City of Orillia: April 3, 2025 *
- 31. City of Oshawa: July 1, 2023
- 32. City of Ottawa: November 23, 2022
- 33. City of Peterborough: October 31, 2023
- 34. City of Pickering: July 1, 2023
- 35. City of Richmond Hill: July 1, 2023
- 36. City of Sarnia: October 31, 2023
- 37. City of Sault Ste. Marie: October 31, 2023
- 38. City of St. Catharines: July 1, 2023
- 39. City of Thunder Bay: October 31, 2023
- 40. City of Toronto: November 23, 2022
- 41. City of Vaughan: July 1, 2023
- 42. City of Waterloo: July 1, 2023
- 43. City of Welland: October 31, 2023
- 44. Town of Whitby: July 1, 2023
- 45. Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville: October 31, 2023
- 46. City of Windsor: July 1, 2023
- 47. City of Woodstock: October 31, 2023

*The City of Orillia was granted temporary strong mayor powers on April 3, 2025 to help the municipality respond to the ice storm that impacted the region in late March. These powers will become permanent on May 1, 2025, at the same time as strong mayor powers are extended to the other municipalities listed above.

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