

## **Ratification – Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF) Agreement**

**Councillor Mitchell, Chairperson of Planning Advisory Committee**

Council gave direction to staff during in-camera sessions on February 20, 2024 and February 22, 2024 authorizing the CAO to work with Canada Mortgage Housing Corporation (CHMC) and Minister Fraser's office to enter into an HAF Agreement.

The agreement was finalized and a public funding announcement was held.

Council may now proceed with ratification.

***Move that the CAO be authorized to work with CMHC staff and Minister Fraser's office to enter into a Housing Accelerator Fund Agreement for \$5.885 million dollars, which adds an initiative to review the East Hants Planning documents to increase housing density as appropriate, including greater use of accessory dwelling units across the municipality, and densification of Village Core areas of the serviced communities of Enfield, Elmsdale, Lantz and Shubenacadie by increasing as-of-right permissions from 12 units to 16;***

***And that, the Housing Accelerator Fund agreement shall be available to the public.***

***As Chair of the Committee I so move...***