MUNICIPALITY OF PORT HOPE
RESOLUTION

23/2017

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WHEREAS all forms of incineration of waste, including Gasification, Plasma Arc, Pyrolysis, Energy-from Waste, Combustion and all other forms of burning of waste, produce very large quantities of deadly and/or health destroying substances that cause cancer, heart and circulatory disease, birth defects, mental disease and much more;

AND WHEREAS safe and environmentally friendly alternative means of waste-disposal management are available, including reduction, reuse, recycling, properly insulated landfill and other;

AND WHEREAS incineration is not banned in Bill 151;

AND WHEREAS incineration is explicitly condoned in the document "Strategy for a WASTE-FREE ONTARIO Building the CIRCULAR ECONOMY" released by the Government of Ontario in December 2016 (see page 10; emphasis added here: "Although energy from waste and alternative fuels are permitted as waste management options, these methods will not count towards diversion in Ontario");

AND WHEREAS with the latter statement, that energy-from-waste will nevertheless not count toward diversion, it is already acknowledged that incineration does not contribute to the circular economy; and in fact incineration is incompatible with a circular economy;

AND WHEREAS for the reasons given in paragraphs 1 and 2 above, incineration should not be performed in Ontario;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ontario Minister of the Environment and Climate Change be requested to revise existing legislation, to explicitly ban construction of incinerators, and phase out use of existing incinerators, in Ontario;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, the Minister of Energy, Lou Rinaldi, MPP for Northumberland-Quinte West, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Chiefs of Ontario (COO) and all Ontario Municipalities.

Mayor R.J. Sanderson