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## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

WHEREAS, the 2025 budget process has started with a potential double digit increase to taxpayers before Council considers the business cases; and

WHEREAS, rising costs this year are outpacing revenues leaving staff and Council looking for innovative ways to continue to maintain core services to taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, new studies have uncovered gaps in infrastructure funding that will have to be addressed; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED; that Council freeze hiring of the new positions approved in 2023 and 2024 that have not yet been filled and place all contract conversions on hold, pending the approval of the 2025 Operating Budget and new CAO is hired and has the opportunity to review operations and appropriate staffing levels.