



**BY-LAW NUMBER XXX-2025  
OF  
THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF STRATFORD**

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BEING a By-law to authorize the entering into and execution of an Outreach Worker Service Agreement / Purchase of Service Agreement with Optimism Place Women’s Shelter and Support Services for the provision of services defined in the Agreement.

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**WHEREAS** Section 8.(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25* as amended, (“the Municipal Act, 2001”) provides that the powers of a municipality under this or any other Act, shall be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on the municipality to enable the municipality to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate and to enhance the municipality’s ability to respond to municipal issues;

**AND WHEREAS** Section 9 of the Municipal Act, 2001, provides that a municipality has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

**AND WHEREAS** Section 10(1) of the Municipal Act 2001, provides that a single-tier municipality may provide any service or thing that the municipality considers necessary or desirable for the public;

**AND WHEREAS** The Corporation of the City of Stratford operating as the Consolidated Municipal Service Manager (“the CMSM”) for The Corporation of the City of Stratford, Town of St. Marys and County of Perth established the Intensive Case Management program (the “Program”) with funding provided by the Province of Ontario through the Homelessness Prevention Plan as well as the Ontario Works program;

**AND WHEREAS** the goal of the Program is to offer intensive support and wrap-around services for individuals experiencing homelessness in Stratford, St Marys and Perth County with the end goal of attaining permanent housing and long-term housing stability for participants in the program;

**AND WHEREAS** the Parties hereto deem it desirable to enter into an Outreach Worker Service Agreement / Purchase of Service Agreement for the provision of services defined in the Agreement;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED** by the Council of The Corporation of the City of Stratford as follows:

1. That the Outreach Worker Service Agreement / Purchase of Service Agreement between The Corporation of the City of Stratford and Optimism Place Women’s Shelter and Support Services for the provision of services defined in the Agreement be entered into and the Mayor and Clerk, or their respective delegates, be and the same are hereby authorized to execute the said agreement on behalf of and for this Corporation and to affix the corporate seal thereto.

Read a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and  
FINALLY PASSED this 24th day of February, 2025.

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Mayor – Martin Ritsma

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Deputy Clerk – Audrey Pascual