

The public sector.  
We built it. We paid for it.

## **We Own It**

### **Municipal Motion**

**Whereas** public services are, by their very definition, open to all members of the public and therefore of benefit to all members of the public;

**And whereas** the management and oversight of privatized services are, by their very definition, private and therefore of benefit primarily to investors;

**And whereas** there is ample evidence that privatized public services provide lower quality services to fewer members of the public;

**And whereas** there is also ample evidence that privatized public services cost more because of their need to generate profit for wealthy investors;

**And whereas** proposals to privatize public services have a consistent track record of breaking promises to maintain or even improve quality while reducing costs;

**And whereas** a growing number of communities around the world are reaping significant benefit by in sourcing services that had been previously privatized or outsourced;

**Be it resolved** that the Town of Fort Frances recognizes that the public delivery of public services ensures more transparency and accountability to the public, democratic oversight and control of public service delivery by our community's elected representatives, and avoids the diversion of public funds into profits for private corporations.

**Be it further resolved** that the Town of Fort Frances call a moratorium on privatizing or outsourcing any of its public services without first undertaking a rigorous, credible and fully public and transparent review of the privatization or outsourcing proposal

**Be it further resolved** that the Town of Fort Frances review current privatized and outsourced services with a view to in sourcing them in order to lower costs and/or improve services.