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**Cc:** [REDACTED]; Councillor, Reid McAlpine - Markham  
**Subject:** Fwd: URGENT: Save Thursday Nights at the Bandstand Petition  
**Attachments:** Unionville Bandstand Petition Signatures.pdf; Unionville Bandstand Petition Comments.pdf

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Hello Kim,

Please see the attached correspondence to Mayor Frank Scarpitti, and City Councillors regarding **"Save Thursday Nights at the Bandstand"**. The petition to date has 837 signatures and community support continues to grow.

Councillor Reid McAlpine recommended I "reach out to the city clerk for a presentation at the next general committee meeting and ask to make a deputation in support of it".

Please let me know when the next general committee meeting is, as time to organize the event is of the essence. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,  
Ashley Korey

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**From:** Ashley Korey <[REDACTED]>  
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Mayor Frank Scarpitti & City Councillors,

Is there an update on this? In submitting the petition on Monday, April 17, 2023, I am yet to receive any acknowledgement that this petition has been received. **The petition to date has drawn support from 829 community residents and counting.**

It has been brought to my attention by a number of other Unionville/ Markham Residents that they have also voiced their concerns about the cancellation of the bandstand, only to be left in silence.

Is this how the City of Markham treats their residents?

There has been a plan for protest in circulation, which I have been apprehensive to offer my support in awaiting a response. Multiple news outlets have been made aware of the situation at hand.

A few weeks ago Reid McAlpine kindly provided me with everyone's emails in this thread. We as a community would like the additional support of the City, and we would expect the City to listen to the priorities of the community.

Direct link to the petition: [Save Thursday Nights at the Bandstand Petition](#)

Re-attached are the petition signatures and comments.

I look forward to hearing from you with a solution and the next steps. I will continue to follow up until I receive an update.

Regards,

Ashley Korey

Ward 3 Resident

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From: **Ashley Korey** <[REDACTED]>

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Subject: URGENT: Save Thursday Nights at the Bandstand Petition

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Cc: bill.dawson.23 <[REDACTED]>

Mayor Frank Scarpitti & City Councillors,

My name is Ashley Korey. My family and I have been residents of Unionville since 2001. I am reaching out to you today regarding an important community matter. As you know, **Thursday Nights at the Bandstand in Unionville has been an integral part of the community since 2009.**

Understandably with a growing community, and increased event popularity, public safety is always a top priority. No argument there.

I started a petition a few weeks ago, to draw awareness to the cancellation of the beloved Thursday Nights at the Bandstand program. The petition's goal was to ensure the community's priorities were being heard. **The petition to date has drawn support from 815 community residents and counting (see attached signatures and comments).**

Mayor Scarpitti and Councillors, many of you have been members of the Unionville and Markham communities for years. For any unfamiliar Councillors, discontinuing the Thursday Nights at the Bandstand program will be a massive loss to the community.

It was brought to my attention by a variety of community members that the City of Newmarket and Aurora Township fully support their local bandstands, so why can the City of Markham not do the same? I understand that the City has previously supported the program through a Celebrate Markham grant of \$10,000 annually and would continue to do so. Additional support is required from the City to assist with the added road closing and security costs.

We as a community would like the additional support of the City, and we would expect the City to listen to the priorities of the community.

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I look forward to hearing from you with a solution and the next steps.

Regards,  
Ashley Korey  
Ward 3 Resident