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Subject: FW: storm sewer tax

From: Hamilton, Don <DHamilton@markham.ca>
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 4:11 PM
To: Mayor & Councillors; Taylor, Andy; Muir, Robert
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Rob has asked me to forward his email (below) to you.

DON HAMILTON

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Working with the community, for the community!

Begin forwarded message:

From: Rob Kadlovski
Date: September 28, 2015 at 1:22:59 PM EDT
To: "Hamilton, Don" <DHamilton@markham.ca>, Jim Jones <jjones@markham.ca>
Subject: storm sewer tax

Hi Don and Jim,

I am a little under the weather with a cold and as a result won't attend this evenings council meeting....don't want to make anyone else sick!

It has come to my attention that the City is preparing to move forward with the non-residential portion of the Storm Sewer tax. The proposed formula for calculating this tax is based on a 60/40 split (40% being the share of the tax on non-residential properties). I feel that the position being presented by the Markham Board of Trade, whereby the cost split would mirror the property tax, that being 80/20 is a more fair and equitable solution. This proposed funding formula would result in a substantial savings to businesses in Markham. But would have a very minor impact to the residential community.

Many small businesses in Markham are owned by and employ thousands of local residents. We strongly believe that by not following the property tax split, the city is sending the wrong message to the business community who are operating here currently and for those who are considering the City of Markham for expansion in the future.

Your support would be appreciated.

All the best,

Rob

Rob Kadlovski