FW: Please protect the Bruce-Berczy Ecological Corridor!

From: Sherman Sung

Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2018 5:25 PM

To: Mayor Frank Scarpitti - Markham; Deputy Mayor, Jack Heath - Markham; Bavington, Kitty; Regional Councillor, Jim Jones - Markham; Councillor, Valerie Burke - Markham; Councillor, Alan Ho - Markham; Regional Councillor, Nirmala Armstrong – Markham; Councillor, Don Hamilton - Markham; Councillor, Karen Rea - Markham; Councillor, Colin Campbell - Markham; Councillor, Amanda Collucci - Markham; Councillor, Logan Kanapathi - Markham; Councillor, Alex Chiu - Markham; Regional Councillor, Joe Li - Markham

Subject: Re: Please protect the Bruce-Berczy Ecological Corridor!

Dear Major and Councillors,

I am writing to you to say that I am in support of the animal-bylaw update and that stores should only have animals sourced from rescues and I believe wildlife and domestic animals should be protected. I also want to see Markham do more for animals and environmental protection.

Thank you for reading this.

Concerned citizen, Sherman Sung

Sent from my iPhone

On FebDear Mayor and Councillors, herman Sung wrote:

I am emailing to urge you to please protect the Bruce-Berczy Ecological Corridor and prevent this important passage for wildlife to be developed. The continual urbanization of Markham has been devastating for wildlife. Without these corridors, there will be no where for the animals to go and an increased risk for human-wildlife conflict. These corridors connect core habitats and support the long term survival and sustainability of plant diversity and wildlife by allowing the passage of animal species for feeding, breeding and migration. Environmental and wildlife protection is extremely important to me and I strongly urge the City of Markham to do the right thing and protect these corridors from development.

Sincerely, Sherman

FW: Supporting By-Law Amendments for the Animal Protection and Services By-Law

From: Dr. Julie Chan, ND, R.Ac.

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 2:51 PM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley; Mayor & Councillors; Alexander, Christopher

Subject: Supporting By-Law Amendments for the Animal Protection and Services By-Law

Dear Markham Council,

I'm writing to you as a resident of Markham to support the by-law amendments for the Animal Protection and Services By-Law. I strongly think there needs to be stronger protection of domestic and wildlife animals and that there should be a prohibition of animals for sales in stores. I have come across a few stores that sell animals including puppies and kittens which is very upsetting given that there are thousands of animals waiting for homes in shelters. There should be no place in our municipality in supporting backyard breeders or puppy or kitten mills which we know are highly inhumane. I think this new by-law is progressive and it will really help Markham stand out as being a leader. I strongly support this bylaw and all the amendments within.

Thank you for your time.

Warmly,



FW: Animal Protection and Services By-Law

From: Esther Attard [

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 8:24 PM

To: Mayor & Councillors; Kitteringham, Kimberley; Alexander, Christopher

Subject: Animal Protection and Services By-Law

Hello,

I would like to express my support for the new/updated Animal Protection and Services By-Law. This by-law allows Markham to adopt many best practices for the industry, offer better service to Residents and improve animal welfare! Sincerely,

Esther Attard

Sent from my iPad

FW: Support for Revised Animal Services and Protection Bylaw

From: Sherman Sung

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 4:54 PM

To: Mayor Frank Scarpitti - Markham; Deputy Mayor, Jack Heath - Markham; Bavington, Kitty; Regional Councillor, Jim Jones - Markham; Councillor, Valerie Burke - Markham; Councillor, Alan Ho - Markham; Regional Councillor, Nirmala Armstrong - Markham; Councillor, Don Hamilton - Markham; Councillor, Karen Rea - Markham; Councillor, Colin Campbell - Markham; Councillor, Amanda Collucci - Markham; Councillor, Logan Kanapathi - Markham; Councillor, Alex Chiu - Markham; Regional Councillor, Joe Li - Markham; Kitteringham, Kimberley; Mayor & Councillors; Alexander, Christopher **Subject:** Support for Revised Animal Services and Protection Bylaw

Dear Major and Councillors,

Thank you for your time.

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Thank you for reading this.

Kindest regards, Sherman Sung

FW: Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

From: Daniel Rocha

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 3:43 PM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley; Mayor & Councillors; Alexander, Christopher

Subject: Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

Dear Mayor, City Clerk, and Councillors,

I'm asking that you please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update, which is going for vote on Tuesday. It is so important to shut down all pet stores not sourcing animals from reputable rescues (eg. Teddy Club, Oh My Dog etc.)

Pet Stores should instead be working with animal shelters to take unwanted animals at risk of euthanasia.

Agenda meeting: https://www2.markham.ca/.../html/council/agenda/cl180626.htm

Thank you for your time!

Best Regards, Daniel Rocha Subject: FW: BY-LAW 2018-91 ANIMAL PROTECTION AND SERVICES BY-LAW By-law

From: Terry Lazarus

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 10:03 PM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley; Mayor & Councillors; Alexander, Christopher

Subject: RE: BY-LAW 2018-91 ANIMAL PROTECTION AND SERVICES BY-LAW By-law

As a 40 year resident of Markham, I strongly support...

BY-LAW 2018-91 ANIMAL PROTECTION AND SERVICES BY-LAW By-law

Thanks for your consideration of this matter.

Terry Lazarus of Carnegie Cres. Thornhill, ON

FW: Please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

From: Jenny McQueen

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 9:32 AM

To: Alexander, Christopher; Kitteringham, Kimberley; Mayor & Councillors

Subject: Please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

Dear Mayor, City Clerk, and Councillor,

I'm asking that you support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update, which is going for vote on Tuesday. It is so important to shut down all pet stores not sourcing animals from reputable rescues eg. Teddy Club, Oh My Dog etc.

Pet Stores should instead be working with animal shelters to take unwanted animals at risk of euthanasia.

Agenda meeting:

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Thank you!

Jenny McQueen Ontario resident

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FW: Please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

From: Peter McQueen [

Sent: Sunday, June 24, 2018 11:06 PM

To: Alexander, Christopher; Kitteringham, Kimberley

Cc: Mayor & Councillors

Subject: Please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

Dear Mayor, City Clerk, and Councillor,

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Pet Stores should instead be working with animal shelters to take unwanted animals at risk of euthanasia.

Agenda meeting:

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Thank you!

Peter McQueen Ontario resident

FW: Please Support the Animal Services and Protection Bylaw Revision

From: Katie Daniels

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 2:10 AM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley; Mayor & Councillors; Alexander, Christopher Subject: Please Support the Animal Services and Protection Bylaw Revision

Good day.

The purpose of this email is to request your support for the revised Animal Services and Protection Bylaw which includes the ban to sell cats and dogs in stores unless the animals are sourced from a rescue.

Thank you.

Katie Daniels

Sent from my iPad

FW: Animal Services and Protection ByLaws

From: Sook-Yee Chan <

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 7:25 AM

To: Mayor & Councillors; Kitteringham, Kimberley Subject: Animal Services and Protection ByLaws

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am a long time resident of Thornhill Markham at 91 Kings College Rd. I am aware that amendments have been made to the Animal Protection ByLaws and you will be voting on it this week.

I would like you to know that I am 100% in support of these amendments and I am truly hoping they will pass through. It will ban the sale of animals from puppy and kitten mills, where backyard breeders only breed animals for profit, with no regard for their health and living conditions. There are no need for these mills to continue to breed and sell sickly animals when there are so many homeless and rescue animals in Markham. There are also a lot of reputable rescues in Markham who would provide proper vet care and shelter, as well as properly screen potential candidates through an adoption process just like the Adoption Centre does, in the Thornhill Community Centre.

Please support these new important changes, and ban animal sales like Toronto and Richmond Hill did. This matter will greatly influence my vote in upcoming elections, as well as that of many of my friends, family and colleagues.

Yours truly, Dr. Sook-Yee Chan, DDS

Sent from my iPhone

FW: Support for Animal Protection and Services By-Law

From: Rhiannon Lane

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 9:42 AM

To: Mayor & Councillors, Kitteringham, Kimberley >; Alexander, Christopher <

Subject: Support for Animal Protection and Services By-Law

Dear Markham Council,

I am writing to express my support for the new proposed Markham Animal Services Bylaw. As our city grows it is more important than ever to have a document that accurately addresses the challenges that face our intentions to live harmoniously with wildlife. As the city expands into more habitats these policies will help ensure that the citizens of Markham and the animals and habitats within are able to coexist.

It is also important that our relationships with domestic animals are addressed which is why I am so happy to see updated policies regarding dogs and the TNR program.

I hope that you will pass the bylaw tomorrow and am confident that the bylaw will continue to guide the work of the city in being progressive and thoughtful when it comes to living with animals.

Kind regards Rhiannon

FW: I support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

From: Janette Lee [

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 9:32 AM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley < Mayor & Councillors < Alexander, Christopher < **Subject:** I support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

Dear Mayor, City Clerk, and Councillors,

I'm writing in regards to the Animal Protection and Services By-law that is on the agenda for tomorrow's council meeting. There was a situation a few months ago where a pet store in Markham kept in deplorable conditions. The Teddy Club located on 7220 Kennedy Road had puppies and kittens kept in small spaces, overheating under hot bright lights with no water. People standing in front of the display cases could feel the heat radiating off of the glass boxes. There was no bedding or any kind of stimulation for them. The animals look dehydrated and paced along the glass due to stress and discomfort. All of this had been captured on video. It was obvious that these animals were sourced from puppy mills and cat mills.

I am outraged that Markham does not have a better bylaw to protect animals, allowing businesses like this to exist. I am also deeply concerned that the sale of animals is still allowed in Markham. Richmond Hill and Toronto have already banned the sale, choosing to support animal rescue groups and adoptions instead. As a resident of Markham, I'm disappointed to see that we don't already have a ban in place.

As I understand, the current by-law was written in 2005 – that's 13 years without an update! I strongly urge you to make amendments to the bylaw to stop all sales of live animals, except through reputable rescue groups, and on other areas to provide stronger protection of animals, for both domesticated animals and wildlife.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Janette Lee

Subject:

FW: By-law 2018-91 Animal Protection and Services by-law

From: Aviva <avivahm@rogers.com> Sent: Tuesday, June 26, 2018 7:12 AM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley; Alexander, Christopher; Mayor & Councillors

Subject: By-law 2018-91 Animal Protection and Services by-law

Please accept this email as confirmation of my support for the above referred to by-law.

Yours truly,

Aviva Harari-Marovitz 25 Carnegie cres. Markham, ON L3T 5G9

Sent from my iPad

Subject:

FW: Markham Animal Protection Bylaw update

From: Ricky Kong

Sent: Jun 25, 2018 3:35 PM

To: "Kitteringham, Kimberley"; Mayor & Councillors < "Alexander, Christopher" <>

Subject: Markham Animal Protection Bylaw update

To Mayor Scarpitti and Councillors,

It is my understand that the Animal Protection and Services By-law is on the agenda for tomorrow's council meeting. I have concerns that the existing bylaw is not supportive enough of the current environmental landscape in our city, and as a longtime Markham resident I would greatly appreciate it if you show your support for this new bylaw as well.

The protection of animals is very important to me and my family.

Thanks for talking the time to read my email and to take my opinion into consideration.

Cheers, Ricky Kong Ward 8 Resident

Subject:

FW: Please vote yes to the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

From: Paul T

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 3:52 PM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley; Mayor & Councillors; Alexander, Christopher

Subject: Please vote yes to the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

To Mayor Scarpitti and Members of Council,

I understand that the Animal Protection bylaw is up for review to be amended. I would like to take this opportunity to ask you to support the proposed amendments with the objective for better protection of animals, and for stricter rules on pet store operation, including the ban on all sales of live animals, unless obtained through rescue groups.

I fully support the proposed changes to the current bylaw and I hope you will too!

Thank you for your consideration.

Paul Thorn

Subject:

FW: Support The Markham Animal Service and Protection Bylay

-----Original Message-----From: Toktam Jahandideh

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 4:55 PM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley <

Cc: Mayor & Councillors; Alexander, Christopher

Subject: Support The Markham Animal Service and Protection Bylay

Dear Mayor of City of Markham and all Councillors,

We are asking that you as our chosen Mayor to support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw updated. Please vote on Tuesday for their support to ban the sale of pets in pet stores. It is so important to shut down all pet stores not sourcing animals from reputable rescue organizations in the area.

Pet stores should instead be working with Animal shelters to take unwanted and unfortunate animals that are at risk of euthanasia. Pet stores rather to help these innocent animals and find a forever home and at the same time promote adoption not selling and buying life. These animals are unfortunate enough to be in shelters not at their fault but fault of human.

As my mayor of town who had my vote please vote to support Animal Services and Protection Bylaw and at the same time create more peace and deserved life to our animals and pets.

Agenda meeting: http://www2.markham.ca/markham/ccbs/indexfile/html/council/agenda/cl180626.htm

Kind regards,

Toktam and Anuj Patel

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FW: Please support the Animal Protection Bylaw update and the licensing of pet stores

From: Maggie W. <

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 5:35 PM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley; Mayor & Councillors; Alexander, Christopher

Subject: Please support the Animal Protection Bylaw update and the licensing of pet stores

Hello Mayor Scarpitti and Councillors,

My name is Margaret Woo and I have been a resident of Markham for 40 years. It is my understanding that a couple of the discussion items at the council meeting tomorrow are the Animal Services and Protection Bylaw and licensing of pet stores in Markham. I would like to ask for your support on the proposed changes. The current inadequate version needs to be updated and the inhumane living condition of cats and dogs at pet stores need to be stopped!

The proposed changes, such as - new definition of terms, recognition of the Trap Neuter Return program, strengthening the list of prohibited animals, stricter rules around the proper care of animals, reducing the number of animals sourced from puppy mills and providing opportunities to shelters and rescue groups to re-home their animals – are ALL excellent ideas and should be supported without questions. I would like to see that my city is one that is progressive and with the times.

Gandhi have said "The greatness of a nation can be judged by the way its animals are treated". I would like to see that Markham treats animals in our city with proper care and respect.

Please support updating the bylaw for animal protection and the licensing of pet stores!

Thank you,

Margaret Woo

Subject:

FW: Please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

From: Queenie Lee <

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 8:24 PM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley

Subject: Please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

Dear Mayor Scarpitti and Councillors,

I am writing to urge you to vote yes to the suggested amendments on the Animal Protection Bylaw. I feel very strongly that the current bylaw is not enough and long overdue for a review and update. I have read the proposed updates in detail and I feel that the suggestions are all very reasonable. I also want to urge you to prevent situations like the one with Teddy Club from happening again. It was very upsetting to see. I was appalled by what I learned and sad to see that this place exists in Markham, and it even made the news. This is not the Markham I know. There should be stricter rules around how pet stores are operated and the conditions in which they keep the animals, and pet stores should only source animals from reputable rescues.

I hope you will put your full support behind this.

Sincerely,

Queenie Lee

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Subject:	FW: Please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw Update		
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Dear Mayor Scarpitt	ti and all Councillors,		
I am contacting you support for the new	regarding the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update – please show your bylaw.		
and wildlife include want to see better tre with rescue groups of	am as a city that not only cares about its people but also for animals as well, domesticated d. Many of my friends and family have pets and consider them as part of the family. We eatments and protection for animals, and for laws to be put into place for pet stores to work only. There are too many animals being euthanized in shelters. We don't need more by mills. Sourcing animals from rescue groups is the only way to go.		
-	concerned about this issue and will be paying close attention. We hope that you will do the to support the passing of the new bylaw.		
Thank you,			
Cynthia Lee			

Subject:

FW: Please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

From: Rosita Chan

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 5:57 PM

Subject: Please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

To Mayor Scarpitti and all Councillors,

I am writing in regards to the Animal Protection Bylaw and for the ban of live animal sales at pet store. I am surprised to learn that the ban is not yet in place, even though many other cities - Toronto, Mississauga, Oshawa, Kitchener-Waterloo and our neighboring town, Richmond Hill have had this ban since 2011. Markham is lagging 7 years behind! What are we waiting for?

At the meeting tomorrow, I hope you will all vote to support the bylaw updates and the ban, while demanding that animals must be sourced from rescue groups. As a long time resident of Markham, I want to see continual improvement and progression of the city, and this includes updating this outdated bylaw.

I appreciate your time.

Thank you,

Rosita Chan

Subject:

FW: I urge you to support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

From: Sandra Lee <

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 8:22 PM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley; Mayor & Councillors; Alexander, Christopher

Subject: I urge you to support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update

Dear Mayor Scarpitti and Councillors,

I understand that the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update will be going for vote on Tuesday. I have lived in Markham for almost 30 years and have always been a proud resident. I love the vibrancy and diversity of our city, and the many beautiful sceneries that Markham has to offer. I want to continue to feel proud of where I live and that is contingent upon how we treat each and every one of Markham's residents, humans and non-humans alike.

As someone who cares about animals and the environment, it is extremely important to me to know that the council will make efforts to ensure they are properly protected and cared for. All of my family members live in Markham and I want my children and grandchildren to grow up living in a place that is caring and compassionate.

I ask that you please vote to support the updates to the bylaw.

Thank you,

Sandra Lee

Subject:

FW: Email from Denielle Duncan, Chair of the Animal Care Committee re: Animal bylaws

From: Julie Chan <

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 2:07 PM

To: Mayor & Councillors; Kitteringham, Kimberley; Alexander, Christopher; Denielle Duncan **Subject:** Email from Denielle Duncan, Chair of the Animal Care Committee re: Animal bylaws

Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

Denielle Duncan, the Chair of the Animal Care Committee asked me to send this email to you as she is having trouble with her internet.

Email:

The Animal Care Committee have reviewed all the revised animal bylaws and passed a motion to fully endorse the aformentioned bylaws. We are particularly pleased with the staff's recommendation to disallow exemptions to the prohibited animal list. This will no doubt make it easier on the city's staff while providing a safer community.

We would also like to extend our gratitude to the city's staff for their many hours and dedication to the proposed new bylaws. The bylaws will definitely improve the welfare of both animals and Markham's residents.

Sincerely

Denielle Duncan Chair, Animal Care Committee

Subject:

FW: Support the animal services and protection bylaw updates

From: Zhan Wang

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2018 2:31 PM

To: Kitteringham, Kimberley Mayor & Councillors; Alexander, Christopher **Subject:** Support the animal services and protection bylaw updates

Hello Mayor, City Clerk and Councillors,

Animal welfare and environmental issues are very important to me and greatly affects my voting decision, so I ask that you please support the Markham Animal Services and Protection Bylaw update that's up for vote tomorrow Tuesday, Jun 26, 2018.

It is very important that we don't allow pet stores that sell non rescue animals from reputable rescues.

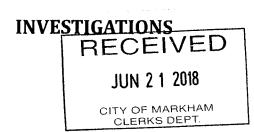
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Thank you for your time.

Zhan Wang







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June 18, 2018

To Municipal Clerk,

The Ontario SPCA is launching the **2018 No Hot Pets campaign on June 21**st with the goal to educate the public on the dangers of leaving pets unattended in vehicles during the summer months and we are requesting your municipality's support.

"I left the window down for him" "I wasn't going to be gone long" We've heard it all! The issue of owners leaving their pets in their vehicles during the hot summer months, putting animals' safety at risk and even causing death, is a serious and ongoing problem across Ontario. There is **NO** excuse for leaving a pet unattended in a vehicle!

The Ontario SPCA has less than 75 officers on the road, to patrol the whole province. Due to our limited resources, we simply cannot respond to every single call and rely heavily on police and animal control to help respond to the 1000+ calls we receive every summer about dogs in cars. When we don't have an officer nearby or the call comes in after hours, it is dispatched to the local police in that area. If municipalities have an Animals in Vehicles by-law in place, their animal control officers can step in when the Ontario SPCA or police are not available to educate or lay charges under the by-law and potentially safe a life.

Below is an excellent example of a by-law we are respectfully asking you to bring forth to your City Council to have passed. This would make a HUGE difference in the lives of pets in your community.

Animals in Vehicles

- 1.(1) No person shall leave an animal unattended in a motor vehicle unless: (230-14)
- a) The animal is restrained in a manner that prevents contact between the animal and any member of the public; and
- b) The animal has suitable ventilation.
- 2) Notwithstanding subsection 1.(1) of this By-law, no person shall leave an animal unattended in a motor vehicle if the weather conditions are not suitable for the animal to remain free from distress or injury.
- 3) Notwithstanding subsection 1.(1) of this By-law, no person shall transport an animal outside the passenger compartment of any motor vehicle unless the animal is contained in a kennel or similar device that provides adequate ventilation, adequate space, protects the animal from the elements and is securely fastened in such a manner to prevent distress or injury to the animal.

For more information on the No Ho Pets campaign, visit nohotpets.ca.

Please let us know if you can count on your municipality's involvement by emailing **nohotpets@ospca.on.ca.**

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Connie Mallory Chief Inspector Ontario SPCA