

From: Marney Beck Robinson  
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CC:  
Subject: feedback/concerns re 2019 operating budget  
Sent: Monday, February 25, 2019 11:52 AM

This is addressed to all councillors of the Town of Richmond Hill, considering the 2019 operating budget.

Yes, taxpayers want you to help us live within our means, and no, we taxpayers never like paying higher taxes.

But if the story on [yorkregion.com/The Liberal](https://www.yorkregion.com/The Liberal) (<https://www.yorkregion.com/news-story/9184711-richmond-hill-library-service-may-suffer-as-council-considers-2019-budget/>) is accurate, some councillors, especially the two regional councillors, want other departments/organizations to “do what they say, not what they do”!

How can council members expect the library board to survive with a lower operating budget that impacts staff and may even result in the library closing its doors on Sunday; when they turn around and ask for a higher budget and new staff in the corporate services department?

How can councillors be crying poor, or in the case of Regional Councillor Perrelli, suggesting Richmond Hill could “go bankrupt like Detroit,” yet maintain council needs a higher budget to hire more assistants?

We taxpayers would like to trust that all nine members of council will help achieve a balanced, fair budget. But it’s hard to trust those councillors who talk out of both sides of their mouths; warning of dire economic pressures on our town, then asking for higher taxes for their own benefit!

I vote for library service that benefits every single resident of Richmond Hill, not for extra assistants who only benefit two members of council.

Sincerely,  
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Subject: Library budget  
Sent: Mon 2/25/2019 3:12 PM

As a resident of Richmond Hill I am very disappointed in the lack of support for the very necessary services at the library. These are key community spaces and the loss of support and services on a Sunday due to the lack of spending is unacceptable.

Especially when compared to the increase in administrative support for regional counsellors.

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Subject: Library provision in budget  
Sent: Mon 2/25/2019 5:06 PM

With Respect:

I support the proposed 5.9% increase in library funding. I support Mayor Barrow in preferring libraries over extra staff for regional councillors.

We have too few libraries as it is, and they seem to me to be underfunded. Did you know that the City of Vaughan has nine branches, and a tenth under construction? Their population is larger at 300,000, but at 200,000, Richmond Hill is way behind with only four.

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Sent: Tue 2/26/2019 8:06 AM

I do NOT support this.

In the corporate world, no one has a personal assistant other than the CEO. Everyone shares administrative support with at least three other Managers.

kind regards,  
Randy Milthorpe