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Subject: Blue Bin Enviro Event

Good morning to all and a Happy Thanksgiving to everyone,

I am writing this email to voice my discontentment with Councilor Pirrelli's attempt to make me and the other good citizens of Richmond Hill pay for an ill-thought plan to replace our blue bins at almost 4x what the current cost to do so is.

Annual Program Costs (excludes staff and overhead costs): No exchange fee (prior to Aug 2020) Cost to purchase waste containers (3 yr. avg.) \$98,300 Revenue from sales of new containers (3 yr. avg.) (\$43,300) Revenue from developers for containers for new homes (\$24,000) Revenue from exchange fee (based on 3,900 bins) \$0 Net Annual Program Cost \$31,000 The Regional and Local Councillor has a deficit of \$83,914.35 in his Events Account from net costs incurred with respect to the multiple-day Enviro Day Events.

However, the Councillor has recently informed the treasurer through email correspondence that his event is exempt and the revenue of \$55,709.00 in the account is not for the Enviro Day event. The total spent on the event is \$139,623.30.

Why should this event and its costs be exempt??? Were there sponsors or not? Were we lied to or did the sponsors back out? Who were they and why did they back out?

"On May 5, 2021, it was staff's understanding that the exemption meant the event would continue under the Council Events Guidelines, which requires the Councillor to acquire sponsorship to cover the costs. During the May 5th Council meeting, the Councillor did not request the expenditures for the event to be paid for from an alternate source nor provided a suggested source. All City expenditures require a funding source and if it was the Councillor's intent to pay for the expenditures from a different source, he should have provided the information as part of the motion. At the meeting, multiple Councillors sought clarification on what the exemption meant but paying for the event was never one of the responses."

"If no form of reimbursement is forthcoming or additional event sponsorship funds attained, the City's 2021 Operating Results will be impacted by a total of \$83,914.35 or \$139,623.30 (if the revenue of \$55,709.00 was not applied to the Councillor's Enviro Day Events). If Council intended to exempt Regional and Local Councillor Perrelli from paying for any costs associated with his Enviro Day Events, Staff will need Council's direction to use a Tax Supported Reserve."

In conclusion, I and many other Richmond Hill citizens and voters are fed up with certain councilors using our money to make themselves look good. DO NOT USE OUR MONEY TO FUND COUNCILOR PERELLI'S PLAN!!!

Further, I would like this email to be included in the Revised Agenda for the October 13th meeting and to become a part of the public record.

Sincerely,
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