Delegations

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of Delegation Numbers 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

- 2. Mabyn Armstrong will appear before Council to speak to Clause 3 of Report Number 17: Received from the Environment, Infrastructure and Transportation Policies Committee with respect to Turtle Crossing Mitigation Strategy – Princess Street at Collins Creek.
- **3.** Ric Peterson will appear before Council to speak to Clause 3 of Report Number 17: Received from the Environment, Infrastructure and Transportation Policies Committee with respect to Turtle Crossing Mitigation Strategy – Princess Street at Collins Creek.
- 4. Moved by Councillor Doherty

Seconded by Councillor Hill

That Clauses 11.3 and 11.4 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law 2010-1, as amended, by waived in order to allow Kaili Gabirel and Sheila Roewade to speak to New Motion 1 with respect to Bill C-6, An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (Conversion Therapy).

5. Moved by Councillor Doherty

Seconded by Councillor Hill

That Clauses 11.3 and 11.4 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law 2010-1, as amended, by waived in order to allow Ben Rodgers to speak to New Motion 1 with respect to Bill C-6, An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (Conversion Therapy).

6. Moved by Councillor M^cLaren

Seconded by Councillor Hutchison

That Clauses 11.3 and 11.4 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law 2010-1, as amended, by waived in order to allow Ashley Perna to speak to New Motion 1 with respect to Bill C-6, An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (Conversion Therapy).

7. Moved by Deputy Mayor Oosterhof

Seconded by Councillor Osanic

That Clauses 11.3 and 11.4 of the City of Kingston Procedural By-Law 2010-1, as amended, by waived in order to allow Derek Sloan, MP, Hastings, Lennox & Addington to speak to New Motion 1 with respect to Bill C-6, An Act to Amend the Criminal Code (Conversion Therapy).

Communications

The consent of Council is requested for the **addition** of items of communication numbers 03-127 – 03-207.

03-127 Correspondence received from Loisy Ballina regarding support for implantation of turtle mitigation measures, dated September 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 1)

03-128 Correspondence received from Megan Bruce regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation matters, dated December 4, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 2)

03-129 Correspondence received from Zachary Wells regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation matters, dated August 31, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 3)

03-130 Correspondence received from Lori Johnson regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated August 31, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 4)

03-131 Correspondence received from Alysha Hoover regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated August 31, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 5)

03-132 Correspondence received from Carla Baetz regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 1, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 6)

03-133 Correspondence received from Payon Mcintyre regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 7)

03-134 Correspondence received from Sari Cross regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 8)

03-135 Correspondence received from Carolyn Smith regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 5, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 9)

03-136 Correspondence received from Shannon Hill regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 8, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 10)

03-137 Correspondence received from Elliott Lebert regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated November 30, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 11)

03-138 Correspondence received from Leslie Anne St. Amour regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated August 30, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 12)

03-139 Correspondence received from Vivian and Bryce Yorke regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated August 30, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 13)

03-140 Correspondence received from Dani Taylor regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 14)

03-141 Correspondence received from Joannie Karschau regarding Crucial Call to Action – statement of support, dated September 9, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 15)

03-142 Correspondence received from Julie McShane regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated August 30, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 16)

03-143 Correspondence received from Nicole Green regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 17)

03-144 Correspondence received from Jonny Neate regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 18)

03-145 Correspondence received from Wayne Myles regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 1, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 19)

03-146 Correspondence received from KD Thomlinson regarding statement support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 14, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 20)

03-147 Correspondence received from Jeanette Gaffney regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 14, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

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03-148 Correspondence received from Taneda Dawes regarding turtle mitigation measures, dated August 31, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 22)

03-149 Correspondence received from Elana Campbell regarding Turtle Protection Measures at Westbrook Wetlands, dated August 31, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 23)

03-150 Correspondence received from Tieke Jhamandas regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 5, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 24)

03-151 Correspondence received from Christine Proulx regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 3, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 25)

03-152 Correspondence received from Kendra People-Easton regarding Turtles at Westbrook Wetland, dated September 13, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 26)

03-153 Correspondence received from Rob Miller, Cindy Cameron, Lucas Miller and Kate Cameron regarding Turtle Mitigation, dated September 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 27)

03-154 Correspondence received from Caitlyn D'Souza regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated August 30, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 28)

03-155 Correspondence received from Anna Nesbitt regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 6, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 29)

03-156 Correspondence received from Clive and Jody Morgan regarding Turtle Mitigation turtle measures, dated September 5, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 30)

03-157 Correspondence received from Rick and Denise Cameron regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 9, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 31)

03-158 Correspondence received from Kelly Wallace regarding Westbrook Wetland Mitigation Project, dated September 12, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 32-33)

03-159 Correspondence received from David Seburn regarding Westbrook Wetland mitigation proposal, dated September 21, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 34-35)

03-160 Correspondence received from Yves Scholten regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated November 30, 2020

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 36)

03-161 Correspondence received from Melanie Serson regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 20, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 37)

03-162 Correspondence received from Jocelyn Grey regarding Westbrook Wetlands, dated August 31, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 38)

03-163 Correspondence received from Saket Mittal regarding Wetlands turns into housing projects, dated November 12, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 39)

03-164 Correspondence received from Don Fields regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 40)

03-165 Correspondence received from Steven Behm regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated November 30, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 41)

03-166 Correspondence received from Hannah with respect to statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 42)

03-167 Correspondence received from Ellen Hartwick regarding turtle mitigation measures, dated September 1, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 43)

03-168 Correspondence received from Kim Pritchard regarding Call to Action – Turtles, dated September 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 44)

03-169 Correspondence received from Carolyn Brown regarding Crucial Call to Action – Turtle turtle mitigation, dated September 3, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 45-46)

03-170 Correspondence received from Barb Lotan regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 47)

03-171 Correspondence received from Lindsay Rogers regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 48)

03-172 Correspondence received from Jerritt Douds regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated August 31, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 49)

03-173 Correspondence received from Janice and Jim McShane regarding turtle mitigation initiative, dated August 31, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 50)

03-174 Correspondence received from Julie Miller regarding protect natural habitat, dated September 7, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 51)

03-175 Correspondence received from Mella Melnik-Proud regarding support for the Westbrook Wetland Turtle Project, dated September 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 52)

03-176 Correspondence received from Emily Hoover regarding Turtle Conservation, dated August 31, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 53)

03-177 Correspondence received from Karen Smith regarding Turtle mitigation measures, dated September 9, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 54)

03-178 Correspondence received from Karen Lahey regarding Westbrook Wetland, dated November 24, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 55)

03-179 Correspondence received from James Ostler regarding Westbrook Wetlands Turtle Mitigation Measures, dated September 1, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 56)

03-180 Correspondence received from Fiona Charles regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 57)

03-181 Correspondence received from Darlene Brown regarding Implementation of Mitigation Measures for Turtles, dated September 13, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 58)

03-182 Correspondence received from Martine Bresson regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 59)

03-183 Correspondence received from Eryn Jagosky regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 4, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 60)

03-184 Correspondence received from Virginia Bartley regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 61)

03-185 Correspondence received from Janet Drew regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 62)

03-186 Correspondence received from Audrey Helmstaedt regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 4, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 63)

03-187 Correspondence received from Catherine Sutton regarding Mitigation Measures for Westbrook Wetlands, dated September 3, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 64)

03-188 Correspondence received from Bonnie Clarke regarding turtle Mitigation Measures, dated September 2, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 65)

03-189 Correspondence received from Sue Meech, Sandy Pines Wildlife Centre, regarding implementation of turtle mitigation measures, dated December 5, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 66)

03-190 Correspondence received from Jay Way regarding statement of support for mitigation turtle measures, dated September 14, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 67)

03-191 Correspondence received from Kenzie Kereluik regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 23, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 68)

03-192 Correspondence received from Carrie and Brian Finn regarding Please help our Turtles, dated September 4, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 69)

03-193 Correspondence received from Katharina Dillman regarding Please help turtles and our ecosystem, dated August 31, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 70)

03-194 Correspondence received from Andrea O'Halloran regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 17, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 71)

03-195 Correspondence received from Sarah Harmer regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 4, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 72)

03-196 Correspondence received from Sue Carstairs regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated December 6, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 73)

03-197 Correspondence received from Roxanne Ouellette regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 8, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 74-76)

03-198 Correspondence received from Kathleen McGregory regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated September 5, 2020.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 77)

03-199 Correspondence received from Ashley Perna regarding proposed New Motion 1, dated January 10, 2021.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 78-80)

03-200 Correspondence received from Louise Matchett regarding BillC6 – Conversion Therapy, dated January 10, 2021.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 81-83)

03-201 Correspondence received from Jonathan Cresswell-Jones regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated January 11, 2021.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 84)

03-202 Correspondence received from Linda Hutchison regarding Bill C6 – Conversion Therapy, dated January 11, 2021.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 11, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 85)

03-203 Correspondence received from Ellen Hartwick regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated January 11, 2021.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 12, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 86)

03-204 Correspondence received from Bobbi Wright regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated January 11, 2021.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 12, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 87)

03-205 Correspondence received from Matt Keevil regarding statement of support for turtle mitigation measures, dated January 12, 2021.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 12, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 88)

03-206 Correspondence received from James Ostler regarding statement of support – Westbrook Wetlands – Mitigation Measures, dated January 12, 2021.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 12, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule page 89)

03-207 Correspondence received from Edward Layton regarding Motion to support Bill C6, dated January 10, 2021.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 12, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 90-91)

03-208 Correspondence received from Wendy Erikson-Gray with respect to Kingston Accommodation Partners aka I am my business, dated January 12, 2021.

(Distributed to all Members of Council January 12, 2021)

(Attached to Addendum as schedule pages 92-93)

On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 1:27 PM Loisy Ballina To whom it may concern, wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Regards Loisy Ballina

Sent from my iPhone



January 12, 2021

On Fri, Dec 4, 2020 at 10:44 AM Meg Bruce

I love the turtles! (heck, I love all animals!) My husband and I stop regularly for turtles crossing on the road, and if we can do anything to ensure that they're less likely to be harmed, I think we should be. Why spend the money on the site survey if they're not willing to implement the changes that are so obviously required based on the study's findings? (I'll step down from the soap box now).

Thank you for spreading the information! Our turtles need all the help they can get and I'm so glad there are voices like all of yours to help them!

On Fri, Dec 4, 2020 at 10:37 AM Turtles Kingston Thank you very, very much for your support 😭 🌹

On Fri, Dec 4, 2020 at 10:04 AM Meg Bruce

wrote:

wrote:

wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

I've witnessed so many animals unnecessarily hurt along this corridor, and I fully support any measures to ensure their safety. Kingston is a beautiful and diverse city, and it's in our best interests to uphold the diversity of not only human but also animal life.

Megan Bruce

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

From: **Zachery Wells** Date: Mon, Aug 31, 2020 at 2:18 PM Subject: Statement of Support - Wildlife Passage Mitigation at the Westbrook Wetland To: <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>jneill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>> CC:

Dear Councillors,

My name is Zachery Wells. I moved to Kingston from New Brunswick to attend Queen's University in 2010. My wife and I have grown to love this city, and so when we returned from our graduate studies in Montreal for my wife to begin her medical school training at Queen's University in 2016, we knew we were here to stay.

We have recently purchased our first home in Westbrook and we are expecting our first child this fall. Above all else, we have a great passion and appreciation for the nature that surrounds us. One of the driving factors for our moving to the west end was the beautiful wetlands and natural environmental beauty in the area. To raise our child in such close proximity to a downtown centre while being able to grow up surrounded by nature is an ever-shrinking prospect.

I am an environmental consultant and ecologist, and have aided in the permitting and approval of many new roads/bridges/etc. from Ottawa to London. Many of these jobs have been to retrofit existing roads or structures with the mitigation measures necessary to reduce their impacts on wildlife. As both a scientist and resident of Westbrook, I implore you to implement exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites along the Westbrook Wetland. This has been implemented to great success in other cities, towns and municipalities.

I look forward to your environmentally-responsible actions moving forward.

Zachery Wells

Zachery Wells Environmental Consultant M.Sc. Biology

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

From: Lori Johnson Date: Mon, Aug 31, 2020 at 10:55 AM Subject: Statement of Support To: pstroud@cityofkingston.ca <pstroud@cityofkingston.ca>, bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca <bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca>, mrholland@cityofkingston.ca <mrholland@cityofkingston.ca>, jneil@cityofkingston.ca <jneil@cityofkingston.ca>, losanic@cityofkingston.ca <losanic@cityofkingston.ca>, goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca <goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca> CC:

Good morning, I am emailing you a statement of support in regards to the mitigation initiative presently before city council – specifically in regards to my support for Turtles Kingston and the request for the installation of exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook Wetland.

Every single day, Monday to Friday, I drive highway 2 through Westbrook Wetland and have done so for over 2 decades-to see the road mortality on this stretch is heartbreaking and I feel it is our duty to act responsibly and do everything in our power to help those in need, including our animal friends.

With the continued construction and increased traffic on this highway (I live on highway 2 and have since I was a child and am blown away by how busy it is now compared to decades ago), this will continue to be an issue and with the recent suspected poaching of the turtle eggs, every bit we can do will help.

Please accept this email as my full support of the above and the incredible work that Turtles Kingston does and will continue to do on behalf of the species-and hope that you will also see the benefit of supporting initiatives like this to protect species at risk that we have the power to help. Thank you for your time.

-Lori Johnson

Lori Johnson

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

COMMUNICATION

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Addendum Meeting 03 January 12 20 AO: 03-130

On Mon, Aug 31, 2020 at 5:24 PM Alysha Hoover < Hello,

wrote:

My name is Aly Hoover, and I am writing to show my support for the installation of exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook wetland.

I have volunteered to work closely with turtles and other reptiles for 5+ years and feel confident expressing my full support for this initiative, as it would greatly benefit the conservation of this threatened species.

Thank you,

Aly

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Tue, Sep 1, 2020 at 10:37 AM Carla Baetz

wrote:

To:

Councillor Stroud; Chair Councillor Doherty; Vice Chair

Councillor Holland

Councillor Neill

Councillor Osanic

Councillor Oosterhof

IMPORTANT MESSAGE:

Please accept this as my STATEMENT OF SUPPORT for the INSTALLATION OF EXCLUSION FENCING, ECO PASSAGES and ALTERNATE NESTING SITES at the WESTBROOK WETLAND. I believe that passage of the MITIGATION INITIATIVE THAT IS PRESENTLY BEFORE CITY COUNCIL is absolutely vital in protecting turtles from the appalling ROAD MORTALITY at Kingston's NUMBER ONE TURTLE ROAD MORTALITY HOTSPOT from happening.

Sincerely, Dr. Carla Baetz

Kingston, ON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 12:08 PM Payton Mcintye Hello Councillors,

wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

These turtles are extremely important for the environment and need your help.

Thanks,

Payton Mcintyre

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: January 12, 2021

On Wed, Dec 2, 2020 at 3:45 PM Sari Cross

wrote:

Dear Councillors,

"Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

Kind Regards,

Sari Cross

Sari Cross

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Sat, Dec 5, 2020 at 5:40 PM Brett Smith wrote: ALL 6 MEMBERS of the 'Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee' "Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing,

eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

Carolyn Smith

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Tue, Dec 8, 2020 at 10:01 AM Shannon Hill

wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Also, looking at this issue in the bigger picture - why are homes being built (or any type of construction) in a wetland? If the land had been protected, we wouldn't be having an issue with enforcing mitigation measures. It is disgusting that we are are still approving building applications in wetlands in Kingston.

Thank you, Shannon Hill

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Mon, Nov 30, 2020 at 4:42 PM Elliott Lebert

wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages, and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

From: Leslie Anne S. Date: Sun, Aug 30, 2020 at 12:00 PM Subject: Statement Of Support for the Installation of Exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the WESTBROOK WETLAND To: <pstroud@cityofkingston.ca>, <bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca>, <mrholland@cityifkingston.ca>,
<ineill@cityofkingston.ca>, <osanic@cityofkingston.ca>, <goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca> CC:

Good morning Environment, Infrastructure and Transportation Committee,

As a young environmental lawyer living in Kingston I understand the crucial importance of protecting our endangered species and our biodiversity. This is especially important for a community like Kingston which relies on its reputation as a lake front scenic city for its tourism. I have worked for many years in the tourism industry in Kingston and on Lake Ontario and can say with certainty that many visitors to our city are shocked and disappointed to learn of the many ways that Kingston does not live up to that reputation but this does not have to be the case. By installing exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sires at the Westbrook Wetland to protect the many at risk and important turtle species in the area, Kingston would be taking a step that is not only morally important, but makes economic sense to preserve our tourist economy by living up to our reputation.

I kindly ask that I be kept up to date on the decisions made by this committee on this initiative currently before city council.

I am also happy to discuss the importance of this further.

Thank you,

Leslie Anne St. Amour

Kingston ON

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Sun, Aug 30, 2020 at 12:10 PM Vivian wrote: Dear Mr Oosterhof, We have been absolutely devastated by the news of the recent poaching of turtle eggs at the Westbrook wetland.

We have followed the tireless work of Turtles Kingston, their volunteers, and other organizations such as Sandy Pines. Their efforts to educate the public and safeguard the wellbeing and habitats of our area turtles have been, and are, invaluable to our communities.

We understand that there is currently a Mitigation Initiative proposal before City Council (Environment, infrastructure and transport committee) proposing the installation of:

- Exclusion fencing,
- Eco passages, and
- Alternate nesting sites

Please know that my husband and I are both, VERY much in favour of supporting this initiative.

Thank you.

Regards, Vivian and Bryce Yorke

Sent from my iPad

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Wed, Dec 2, 2020 at 8:30 AM Dani Taylor

wrote:

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THANK YOU for your consideration

Dani Taylor

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Wed, Sep 9, 2020 at 6:17 PM Joannie Karschau THERE'S STILL TIME !!!

wrote:

CRUCIAL 'CALL TO ACTION !'

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Mitigation would not only address the issue of 'road mortality' but would also resolve the issue of 'poaching incidents', like the devastating one we recently experienced in that wetland. We are calling on the public to support the project.

Sincerely, Joannie Karschau

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Sun, Aug 30, 2020 at 2:53 PM Julie McShane wrote: Dear Members of the City of Kingston Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee

I was recently stunned by the egregious and shocking incident of turtle poaching that occurred in Kingston last weekend. This incident may well have profound and long lasting implications for local turtle populations. We cannot afford to have another such incident occur. We also can not afford to continue to have adult turtles killed while crossing busy roads in search of nesting sites.

For these reasons, I am writing to you in support of a mitigation initiative currently before you for the installation of exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook Wetland. Similar initiatives have been used in North Frontenac with a good degree of success. The fences make me happy because I no longer see crushed turtles on the highway.

Our native turtles are in trouble. They need us all to play our part in their ongoing survival. Please support this opportunity to do your critically important part.

Sincerely Julie McShane

Sent from my iPhone

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Wed, Dec 2, 2020 at 1:31 AM Nicole Green wrote: Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

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wrote:

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>

> THANK YOU

Jonny Neate

Sent from my iPhone

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Tue, Sep 1, 2020 at 11:41 AM Wayne Myles Dear Councillor:

wrote:

I am in support of the installation of exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook wetland. I believe that passage of the mitigation initiative that is presently before city council is absolutely vital in protecting turtles from the heavy road mortality on the roadway through the wetland.

Please vote "yes" for this initiative.

Wayne Myles

Kingston

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Mon, Sep 14, 2020 at 1:57 AM kd thomlinson wrote: "Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

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On Mon, Sep 14, 2020 at 10:08 PM Jeanette Gaffney wrote: Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Sincerely, Jeanette Gaffney

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Mon, Aug 31, 2020 at 3:25 PM Taneda Dawes

I have been advised that you both are on the Environment, Infrastructure, Transport Committee for the City of Kingston and that there is presently a discussion about the City funding measures to reduce the turtle mortality rate in the vicinity where Collins Creek crosses Princess Street to the east of Westbrook. I am writing to you because Lisa boarded her horse up Gibsons Hill on Burbrook Rd and Gary covers most of the rural area north of the 401, so you both know the creek and marsh as it crosses Hwy 38 just south of Cordukes.

wrote:

When Turtles Kingston got going about/almost a decade ago, that particular wetland was mentioned by the group as one they should be watching out for turtles crossing. At the time I said that, in my opinion, don't bother. Why? I had seen the smashed turtles for forty years and the few remaining being smaller and smaller, until there were no more. ...

This past spring I came to the sad realization that the healthy population of lady northern map and snapping turtles that used to arrive and nest on our gravel driveway at our cottage the second week in June, also was no more. Fast moving boats and scurrying personal watercraft had killed them off when the turtles would hang at the water surface to breathe.

It seems as if everything is against their survival. We are the worst of the invasive species.

If it is done properly, successful mitigation measures to preserve the Collins Creek turtles on Princess would certainly be a lasting legacy for the City. Turtles have been around even longer. Let's keep it that way.

Taneda Dawes.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

From: Elana Campbell
Sent: August 31, 2020 7:34 PM
To: Stroud,Peter <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Doherty,Bridget <<u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Neill,Jim
<<u>ineill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Holland,Mary Rita <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Osanic,Lisa
<<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Oosterhof,Gary <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Costerhof,Gary <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Costerhof,Gary <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Subject: Turtle Protection Measures at Westbrook Wetlands

Dear City Councillors,

I am writing to voice my strong support for the planned initiative to protect the heavily threatened population of turtles in this wetland area through the installation of exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites. These measures are critical for the protection of this endangered species, which is so vital for the health of our wetland environments.

As a volunteer driver with Turtles Kingston and Sandy Pines Wildlife Centre, I have seen the heartbreaking devastation that our cars wreak on these endangered creatures. Please do the right thing and approve this initiative without delay!

Regards,

Elana Campbell

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

wrote:

On Sat, Sep 5, 2020 at 12:09 PM Tieke and Leah Tieke and Leah Councillor Stroud, Chair Councillor Doherty, Vice Chair Councillor Holland Councillor Neill Councillor Osanic Councillor Oosterhof

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of: exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess Street/Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Thank you for your consideration,

Tieke Jhamandas

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

On Thu, Dec 3, 2020 at 6:56 AM Bell Hello, wrote:

We have lived in Westbrook for 12 years now and if anywhere in the City of Kingston needs turtle fencing, it's our area. We suffered a great loss this year after losing all the turtle eggs.

"Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

Right now they are doing construction in our wetlands to widen the road for access into a new subdivision. I can't imagine how that was even allowed! Many birds(maybe endangered) and turtles live right where the construction has taken place. Please help the situation, don't make it worse.

Christine Proulx

Sent from my iPad

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

From: **Kendra Pople-Easton** Date: Sun, Sep 13, 2020 at 7:59 PM Subject: Turtles at Westbrook Wetland To: <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>jneill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, Osanic,Lisa <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, CC:

Dear Councillors Stroud, Doherty, Holland, Neill, Osanic and Oosternof:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Two years ago I was called to assist two ladies with the dead and injured turtles at this location. The scene was absolutely horrifying to say the least. I don't recall the total count of the dead and suffering turtles that day, but it was heartbreaking to see day after day. We need to stop this slaughter on our roadways and I implore you to go forward with this proposal. We must be their voice.

Thanking you in advance.

Sincerely,

Kendra Pople-Easton

Kendra Pople-Easton



January 12, 2021



On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 12:18 PM

wrote:

Dear Mayor, Council and the Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee,

Please do whatever is necessary to approve the mitigation measure that is before Council to reduce turtle mortality. I find it appalling that the environmental impacts of roads and vehicular traffic are not adequately mitigated for certain Species at Risk. Everything else we to build seems to have very comprehensive EA's, and I do not understand why our roadways are any different; there is no free pass for this significant negative impact.

Regards,

Rob Miller, Cindy Cameron, Lucas Miller and Kate Cameron.

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On Sun, Aug 30, 2020 at 1:26 PM Caitlyn D'souza

wrote:

Dear committe members,

As a resident of Kingston Ontario, I support the installation of exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternative nesting sites at the Westbrook wetland. Thank you for helping protect our turtle species!

Thanks, Caitlyn D'Souza

> CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Sun, Sep 6, 2020 at 6:52 AM Anna wrote: Dear members of the Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee,

I would like to voice my statement of support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

It is imperative that necessary steps be taken to protect this important species and, in advance, I thank you for considering and implementing these measures.

Sincerely, Anna Nesbitt

Anna Schukei

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

wrote:

On Sat, Sep 5, 2020 at 2:11 PM

All species of turtles in Kingston have been designated as "species at risk" due to habitat construction, road mortality, illegal collection and fishing by catch. Not only must we teach the public to become stewards to help conserve these vital members of our wetlands, we must do everything we can to mitigate all of these threats. Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Clive and Jody Morgan

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Wed, Sep 9, 2020 at 8:35 AM Denise Cameron

wrote:

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Rick and Denise Cameron

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

From: **Kelly Wallace** Date: Sat, Sep 12, 2020 at 12:23 PM Subject: Westbrook Wetland Mitigation Project To: <u>mayor@cityofkingston.ca</u> <<u>mayor@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u> <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u> <<u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u> <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <u>ineill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u> <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <u>CC:</u>

Dear Mayor Paterson and City of Kingston Council Members,

My name is Kelly Wallace. I am the Founder of Think Turtle Conservation Initiative located in Bancroft. Although, Think Turtle is not situated in Kingston we engage in similar species recovery efforts as does Turtles Kingston and were devastated to learn that the nests they had so vigilantly been protecting this turtle season fell prey to a turtle poacher. Being all too familiar with the hard work and heart and soul that goes into such conservation efforts we feel deeply for Turtles Kingston and the City of Kingston.

It is very upsetting to think of what lies ahead for the turtle eggs soon to be if not already hatchlings that were illegally removed from the Kingston nesting sites. In the hands of an unscupulous individual or group that resorts to illegal activities the turtle hatchlings have been denied the wild and free existence that is their right and have now become a commodity for commercial trade and financial gain. We do hope the person responsible for this is caught and held accountable for this despicable and horrible deed.

The challenges turtles face negotiating today's world are not specific to any one region of Ontario and very much a shared concern. As such this occurrence has resonated through the conservation community and heightened concerns. It reaffirms the necessity and urgency to address measures to better protect turtles in communities throughout Ontario. The most far reaching approach being to implement permanent mitigation measures.

This grows ever more important each year as the number of injured turtles and resulting deceased turtles admitted to the Ontario Turtle Conservation Centre home of Ontario's turtle hospital nears '1,000' this year, '1,498' in 2019 and '946' in 2018 and Sandy Pines Wildlife Centre admissions increase each year. 90% of the turtles admitted are the result of being struck by a motor vehicle. In addition to this are the turtles that are struck by motor vehicles and go unnoticed or the injured turtles that find their way back into the wild to succumb to their injuries at a later date.

The installation of permanent mitigation measures that incorporate eco-passages and exclusion fencing acts as the catalyst for putting turtles on a safer route to help prevent road mortality and encourage them to nest further inland and possibly over a more widespread area making them less vulnerable to poachers. Concentrated nesting sites can be inviting to poachers. The introduction of alternate nesting sites could encourage

turtles to nest away from roads and other locations in harms way and help to keep more turtles and nests safe. Note: An added plus is that research shows other wildlife will use the eco-passages as well.

With turtle populations decreasing each year due to habitat loss, road mortality, poaching, predation and climate change localized turtle populations such as in Kingston cannot continue to sustain losses. This makes each communities conservation efforts all that more important to contribute to species recovery efforts aimed at ensuring future generations of turtles locally and provincially.

For these reasons and many more as a representative of Think Turtle Conservation Initiative I am sending this e-mail as a show of support and to ask that the 'Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee'' of the City of Kingston's Council please move forward with the proposed mitigation project and alternative nesting site(s) in relation to the Westbrook Wetland, located in the west end of Kingston.

With turtles being a species designated at risk the prospect of mitigation measures to address Kingston's number one turtle road mortality 'hot spot' is notable and should plans to go ahead this would show Kingston to be a leader in turtle protection and conservation and inspire other communities in Ontario to address turtle road mortality hot spots.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Kindest Regards, Kelly Wallace Think Turtle Conservation Initiative

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------ Forwarded message ------From: **David Seburn** Date: Mon, Sep 21, 2020 at 4:48 PM Subject: Westbrook Wetland mitigation proposal To: <u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u> <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u> <<u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u> <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, jneill@cityofkingston.ca <jneill@cityofkingston.ca>, goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u> <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>> CC: Turtles Kingston

Dear Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee members

Seven of the eight species of freshwater turtles of Ontario are listed as species at risk by the government of Ontario. This makes turtles one of the most endangered groups of wildlife in the province. They are in urgent need of conservation action.

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

Sincerely,

David Seburn

Freshwater Turtle Specialist

Canadian Wildlife Federation | Fédération canadienne de la faune



Support Canada's at-risk turtles Learn more about our work. <u>Visit HelpTheTurtles.ca</u>

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On Mon, Nov 30, 2020 at 12:31 PM yves scholten wrote: To the members of the Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee,

STATEMENT of SUPPORT

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

As a professional ecologist, I must stress how important healthy wetlands, including Turtles and other wildlife, are for the ecosystem and for the environment, including for human welfare. These warrant a high degree of protection to conserve their ecological function. Turtles, especially, are at high risk from adjacent roads and road crossings. Due to their longevity, slow growth and maturation, every single loss from roads or other human impacts represents a disproportionately high impact on the turtle population. Turtles cannot recover easily from such losses, so they represent serious long-term detrimental effects.

At a time when there is a global Biodiversity Crisis considered by many to be as serious as the Global Warming crisis, and when all eight of Ontario's turtle species are protected federally, and/or provincially as Species at Risk, it is of critical importance to protect valued and significant wetlands, and make serious efforts to mitigate anthropogenic impacts, especially from roads and road crossings.

Thank you for your attention and for making conservation of our Natural Heritage an important part of your Municipal planning,

Respectfully yours, Yves

Yves Scholten, HBSc Planning Ecology Specialist

> CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: January 12, 2021

On Sun, Sep 20, 2020 at 7:35 PM melanie leaver Hello to my City of Kingston Counsellors, wrote:

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Thank you, Melanie Serson

Sent from my iPad

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

REFERRED TO COUNCIL

On Mon, Aug 31, 2020 at 6:31 PM Jocelyn Grey

wrote:

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

City of Kingston Counsellors Stroud, Oosterhof, Osanic, Neill, Holland and Doherty.

I am writing you regarding the proposal before you to decide on installing the mitigation measures (exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites) at the Westbrook Wetland.

I support this proposal 100% and trust that you will be able to see that all of these suggestions are critical to the survival of the turtles. We need to do everything we can to assist these animals.

Thank you in advance.

Jocelyn Grey

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

From: saket mittal

Sent: November 12, 2020 4:38 PM

 To: Stroud,Peter <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Doherty,Bridget <<u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>>;

 Holland,Mary Rita <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Neill,Jim <<u>jneill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Osanic,Lisa

 <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Oosterhof,Gary <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>>;

 Cc:
 Media - News Watch Corus Ent

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Subject: Wetlands turns into housing projects

Hello all,

My name is Saket Mittal and I have been a resident of the Glorious city of Kingston for over a decade. And I have witnessed a lot of atrocities committed in the name of development and infrastructure over the years and it is heartbreaking to see that no one thinks about the Wetlands. Us Humans are suppose to be sensible and always committed these crimes against nature. What make us superior species and what gives us right to destroy nature around us? And label these atrocities as "developing and building infrastructure". For example what I witnessed today down the road from where I live, "Wetlands are being filled to make roads". I didn't think it was possible, I thought there are laws to protect the nature? Where are those laws and conversation authority? Can someone not intervene? Is it all about making a "Buck" at the end of the day? Don't we have some respect and responsibility towards the nature we live?

I simply ask of you to come and take a look and spread the word and do something right? Thank you very much.

"Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

We THANK YOU whole heartedly for responding to this request. We can make a difference ! Action brings hope !

Saket Mittal

Sent from my iPad

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On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 4:56 PM Don Fields wrote: "Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

Don Fields

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As an environmental technician I can't express enough how big an impact this will make, nor how needed it is at this time.

Please feel free to contact me for any questions you may have regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Steven C. Behm

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Wed, Dec 2, 2020 at 5:41 AM RNH wrote: Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads

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On Tue, Sep 1, 2020 at 9:04 PM Ellen Hartwick Honourable Chair and Council Members:

wrote:

As you are aware the recent tragedy 'poaching incident' of turtle eggs has negated the tremendous efforts that many conscientious citizens had attempted to protect to increase the likelihood that hundreds of turtles would hatch this fall. These are Species at Risk and need our protection from the environmental hazards that human activity has created in their wetland habitat. The installation of EXCLUSION FENCING, ECO PASSAGES and ALTERNATE NESTING at the Westbrook Wetland would have prevented not only the recent POACHING incident but also the appalling ROAD MORTALITY at Kingston's NUMBER ONE TURTLE ROAD MORTALITY HOTSPOT' from happening.

Please vote in support of these important and necessary MITIGATION INITIATIVES. The survival of these integral wetland species depends on your help.

Regards, Ellen Hartwick

Sent from my iPhone

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 4:25 PM Kim Pritchard Di

Kim Pritchard

to pstroud, bdoherty, mrholland, jneill, losanic, goosterhof

Please help the turtles, we need them for our environment. There have been some pretty disgusting things happening to our turtles in Kingston, killed on the road, and lately poachers, this is so disgusting what someone has done to these babies. PLEASE KEEP OUR TURTLES SAFE. Whatever it takes, fencing, signage or someone standing guard, it doesnt matter just please help these turtles

Thank You Kim

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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COMMUNICATION **No:** 03-168

4:24 PM (0 minutes ago)

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wrote:

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Mitigation would not only address the issue of 'road mortality' but would also resolve the issue of 'poaching incidents', like the devastating one we recently experienced in that wetland. We are calling on the public to support the project.

Please copy and paste the following 'statement of support' into your email and send the email addressed to all 6 members of the 'Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee'. You can embellish the email if you choose to do so.

"Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

Please copy and paste the email addresses for the 6 members of the 'Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee' found below and send them your email with your statement of support. You do not have to send 6 different emails but simply send your one email addressed to all 6 members of the Committee. Please cc a copy of your email to '<u>turtleskingston@gmail.com</u>'. We thank you whole heartedly for responding to this request. We can make a difference !

Action brings hope !

- * Councillor Stroud; Chair pstroud@cityofkingston.ca
- * Councillor Doherty; Vice Chair <u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>
- * Councillor Holland <u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>
- * Councillor Neill jneill@cityofkingston.ca
- * Councillor Osanic <u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>
- * Councillor Oosterhof

goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca

Please, it's important in so many ways.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Brown

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Wed, Dec 2, 2020 at 6:13 PM Barb Lotan

wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.

Barb Lotan

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Wed, Dec 2, 2020 at 11:36 AM Lindsay Rogers Hello,

wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads. It is crucial to this be implemented so our children grow to see turtles in the wild rather than read about them in an extinction book. Thanks

Lindsay

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Mon, Aug 31, 2020 at 5:44 PM jerritt douds wrote: Hello, I am emailing to show my full support for the exclusion fencing and eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook wetland location.

Recent events prove just how important and rather urgent this needs to be handled.

This would have a very positive impact on many different native species but most importantly our dwindling turtle populations.

Best wishes and stay safe - Jerritt Douds



January 12, 2021

From: Janice and Jim McShane Sent: August 31, 2020 8:47 AM Cc: Subject: mitigation initiative

Hello, I like many other residents of the city, was appalled to learn of the recent poaching of turtle eggs at the Westbrook wetland. Because of this and the threat to turtles generally in the aforementioned area I am contacting you to express my support for the recommendations outlined in the initiative. That is, exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternative nesting sites. Thank you.

James McShane (resident of the city's west end)

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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From: Julia Ellen Miller
Sent: September 7, 2020 11:10 AM
To: Neill,Jim <<u>ineill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Kiley,Robert <<u>rkiley@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Hill,Wayne
<<u>whill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Osanic,Lisa <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Hutchison,Rob
<<u>rhutchison@cityofkingston.ca</u>>
Subject: Please protect natural habitat in Kingston`s Inner Harbour

Good morning,

I am writing to request that you protect that natural shoreline by the old Davis Tannery property for the turtles and other creatures who live and enjoy this space. As Kingstonians we are fortunate to have access to be near wildlife so close to the downtown core. This special ecosystem and rare space along Kingston's shoreline is not replaceable. Much of Kingston's shoreline has already been changed by human efforts to protect real estate and roadways. Please do your best to protect and conserve this stretch of shoreline.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Julia Miller

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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From: Meela Melnik-Proud
Sent: September 2, 2020 4:32 PM
To: Stroud,Peter <pstroud@cityofkingston.ca>; Doherty,Bridget <bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca>;
Holland,Mary Rita <mrholland@cityofkingston.ca>; Neill,Jim <jneill@cityofkingston.ca>; Osanic,Lisa
<losanic@cityofkingston.ca>; Oosterhof,Gary <goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca>
Cc: Turtles Kingston
Subject: Support for the Westbrook Wetland Turtle Project

To Members of City of Kingston's Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee,

"A season's worth of work for Turtles Kingston was destroyed overnight Saturday and Sunday when all but a handful of the protected turtle nests along Princess Street by Collins Creek were raided and the yet to emerge hatchling stolen." <u>https://www.thewhig.com/news/local-news/turtles-kingston-devastated-by-turtle-nest-raids-thefts</u>

It is on the heels of this devastating poaching incident recently profiled in the media, that I urge Kingston City Council to support the Westbrook Wetland turtle project.

All eight of Ontario's native turtles are now on the Species at Risk list, and the Westbrook Wetland is Kingston's number one turtle road mortality 'hotspot'. I am inspired by the tireless work and dedication of Turtles Kingston informing us about the plight of our local turtles, and engaging the public to help protect our local turtle populations.

I strongly support Turtles Kingston's proposal to have the Westbrook Wetland mitigated with exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites.

Judging by the serious blow to the Westbrook Wetland hatchlings, implementation can't come soon enough.

With respect and appreciation,

Meela Melnik-Proud

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-----Original Message-----From: Emily Hoover Sent: August 31, 2020 10:03 PM To: Osanic,Lisa <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>> Subject: Turtle Conservation

Hello,

My name is Emily Hoover, and I am writing to show my support for the installation of exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook wetland.

I absolutely love turtles and I want to do anything I can to conserve them. I always go out of my way to help them cross the roads and I see many others doing the same, but I do think more can be done for them. I have read into this solution and I believe it would greatly help conserve Ontario's turtles!

Thank you, Emily Hoover

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REFERRED TO COUNCIL

From: Karen Smith
Sent: September 9, 2020 7:43 AM
To: Stroud,Peter <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Neill,Jim <<u>ineill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>
Cc: <u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>.; Holland,Mary Rita <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Osanic,Lisa
<<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>
Subject: Turtle mitigation measures

Hello,

"Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

Respectfully yours,

Karen C. Smith, Kingston Sent fmy iPhone

Sent from my iPhone

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

From: Karen Lahey Sent: November 24, 2020 8:25 PM To: Osanic,Lisa <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>> Subject: Westbrook wetland

Dear Councillor Osanic,

"Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

I am saddened so often by the carnage on the roads when it comes to animals, but turtles are particularly endangered and need our help. This low lying road through a wetland is an environmental disaster and I would like to see infrastructure put in place to lessen the damage to wildlife.

Thank you for your consideration,

Karen Lahey

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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From: james ostler
Sent: September 1, 2020 11:09 AM
To: Osanic,Lisa <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>
Subject: Westbrook Wetlands Turtle Mitigation Measures

Dear Lisa,

Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee

I strongly support the installation of Exclusion Fencing, Eco-Passages and Alternate Nesting Sites at Westbrook Wetlands site along Princess Street. Let's protect our Turtle population!

This Wetland is an amazing place for turtles, snakes, frogs, birds and muskrats - wildlife of all types - let's do something to protect it! I have been picking up garbage along the shoulders of the road there all summer and I am very aware of all the wildlife the Wetlands support.

Lets set the example for Ontario and Canada!!!

Thank you, James

James Ostler

Sent from Outlook



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On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 11:51 AM Fiona Charles wrote: Please accept this email as my statement of support for the implementation of mitigation measures comprising 'exclusion fencing, eco passages, and alternative nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St/Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Fiona Charles Quality Intelligence Inc.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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From: darlene Brown Date: Sun., Sep. 13, 2020, 10:24 p.m. Subject: Implementation of Mitigation Measures for Turtles... To: <pstroud@cityofkingston.ca>, <bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca>, <mrholland@cityofkingston.ca>,

<<u>ineill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>> Cc:

"Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

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From: Martine B.
Sent: September 2, 2020 9:40 PM
To: Stroud,Peter <pstroud@cityofkingston.ca>; Holland,Mary Rita <mrholland@cityofkingston.ca>;
Neill,Jim <jneill@cityofkingston.ca>; Osanic,Lisa <losanic@cityofkingston.ca>; Oosterhof,Gary
<gcosterhof@cityofkingston.ca>
Subject: Kingston's number one turtle road mortality 'hotspot'

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures consisting of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

I do hope that you will answer positively to this request. Thank you in advance !

Martine Bresson

Kingston

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 2:32 PM Eryn Jagosky Dear Councillors:

wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of support for proposed mitigation efforts at the Westbrook Wetland located at Princess St./Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads. These measures would include the installation of exclusion fencing, creation of eco passages, and alternate nesting sites at the Wetland.

With all 8 of Ontario's turtle species at risk of disappearing (<u>ontarionature.org</u>), now is the time to act to protect these amazing creatures. With the effects of human activity (poaching, road mortality, fragmented wetlands, land development), the deck is stacked against them. Add to that their slow replacement rate (it takes 15-20 years, depending on species, to reach sexual maturity/egg production), the fact that the majority of nests are predated once eggs are laid, and the current government's passage of Bill 197, it is abundantly clear that turtles need support if we hope to stave off extinction.

You have the opportunity to set an incredible precedent for turtle conservation, serving as a call to action for other municipalities in the province, and beyond. In the 21st century, it is time to recognize the importance of environmental preservation, sustainability and protection of species. Not only for their benefit, but for ours as well. We are only as healthy and well as the environment in which we live. And if we continue down the road we are on, I don't foresee good things for people or the planet.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Eryn Jagosky

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Wed, Sep 2, 2020 at 12:44 PM virginia bartley wrote: Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Virginia Bartley

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Wed, Dec 2, 2020 at 9:14 AM Janet wrote: To the members of the Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Regards, Janet Drew

Sent from my iPad

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On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 5:00 PM Audrey Helmstaedt wrote: Dear Councillors of the Environment, infrastructure and Transport Committee,

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads. Considering the recent desecration to the protected turtle nests in that area it is obvious that such a measure is necessary.

Sincerely, Audrey Helmstaedt

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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From: **Catherine Sutton** Date: Thu, Sep 3, 2020 at 12:33 PM Subject: Mitigation Measures for Westbrook Wetland To: <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>jneill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>> Cc:

Good Day,

As a concerned citizen I understand we have an opportunity to make a difference for the safety of our Turtles. Moments like these need to be measured not only in monetary cost and value but the value of our plant and even more so our region on this planet. We have an opportunity to put nature first and truly make a difference, not to mention help prevent the Crime of Poaching.

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

And please let your conscience guide you vote...Turtles need your voice!

Catherine Sutton



January 12, 2021

From: Bonnie

Sent: September 2, 2020 10:25 PM

To: Oosterhof,Gary <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Osanic,Lisa <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Neill,Jim <<u>ineill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Holland,Mary Rita <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Doherty,Bridget <<u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Stroud,Peter <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>>

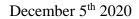
Cc: Turtles Kingston

Subject: Mitigation Measures

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages

and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

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8749 County Road 2 Napanee, ON, Canada K7R 3L1 613-354-0264

\ To the Environment,Infrastructure and Treansport Committee

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to state my support for the implementation of mitigation measures-Exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook Wetland in 2021.

Over the years we have received many injured, dead and dying turtles from the Highway 2 wetland in Westbrook, and numbers are increasing every year as more suburbs are added to the West side of Kingston. It is so notorious a danger zone that there are several volunteers who check the road several times a day for casualties.

Most of our Ontario turtles are species of concern as numbers decline. I would urge you to promote mitigating measures as soon as possible. It would help save many turtles lives and make our work load lighter, It is also a dangerous road for volunteers to be working on to pick up injured turtles.

People are going to stop if they see a situation where help is needed. Mitigation may save more than just turtles lives.

Yours sincerely,

Sue Meech Director Sandy Pines Wildlife Centre Napanee Ontario

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On Mon, Sep 14, 2020 at 9:21 PM Jay Way

wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Thanks,

Jay

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Wed, Sep 23, 2020 at 11:23 AM Kenzie Kereluik

wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support

for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Kind regards,

Kenzie

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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From: Carrie Finn

Sent: September 4, 2020 12:47 PM

To: Doherty,Bridget <<u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Oosterhof,Gary <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; <u>iarthur-qp@ndp.on.ca</u>; Neill,Jim <<u>jneill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Osanic,Lisa <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Holland,Mary Rita <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Stroud,Peter

<pstroud@cityofkingston.ca>

Cc:

Subject: Please help our turtles! 酒

Dear City of Kingston,

I'm sure I'm not the only one who is beyond heartbroken by what took place with the recent turtle poaching incident. We recently moved into town from Odessa and we've watched these amazing volunteers work tirelessly to try to keep our little friends safe. This comes as a huge loss to our city and ecosystem.

Please accept this email as a statement of support for the installation of exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook Wetland! Something absolutely needs to happen to make sure nothing like this ever happens again.

I've always loved helping turtles cross the road.... but this was the first year that I really got involved in learning about the impact these little guys make. Turtles Kingston deserve massive appreciation for their hard work.

I thank you in advance for your time!

Carrie & Brian Finn

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From: Katharina Dillman

Date: Mon, Aug 31, 2020 at 7:54 PM Subject: Please help turtles and our ecosystem To: <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>> CC: Turtles Kingston

Dear Councillor Stroud; Chair

As I'm sure you've heard, there recently has been turtle egg poaching going on right here in Kingston. No I'm not talking about a far away country where we hear about this, I'm talking about Kingston Ontario, Westbrook to be specific. Right along hwy 2. Now for years we have been lucky enough to rely on the volunteers at turtles Kingston to protect our turtle population (which has an Enormous impact on our eco system).

But now turtles Kingston and it's residents need higher up help so we are coming to you.

We need to install exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites.

Let me tell you, I work as a delivery truck driver for UPS and I am on the road everyday!! And the worst mortality rates I see for turtles are on the stretch of hwy 2 between Kingston and Westbrook, also known as the Westbrook Wetland. Please do not ignore this plea. It's so important to all of us. Especially now when we have such an incredible second chance at making our world better and repairing the damage we've previously done.

I have sent this email to many of you to make sure everyone gets the people's message. This is important to the citizens of Kingston. Please Do not turn our city into a poachers paradise. Please hear our voices. Thank you for taking the time to read my email and I hope it has an impact on your decision. Sincerely Katharina Dillman

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On Thu, Sep 17, 2020 at 12:41 PM Andrea O'Halloran wrote: Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Andrea O'Halloran

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Fri, Sep 4, 2020 at 11:47 AM sarah harmer Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee wrote:

Dear Members,

Please accept this email as a statement of support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures including exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook Wetland on Princess St/Highway 2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

I am a citizen of the Countryside district and I live on Collins creek wetland. Please prioritize this threatened species. As the city has declared a climate emergency, and as biodiversity loss is also at catastrophic levels worldwide, we must do our part for this incredible species.

Thank you,

Sarah Harmer

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On Sun, Dec 6, 2020 at 9:56 AM suecarstairs suecarstairs

wrote:

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of turtle road mortality mitigation measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St/Route#2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Turtles are a vital part of a healthy wetland, and wetlands play a vital role for human health; among many other benefits, acting as the filters to our water supply, and providing flood prevention. All eight of Ontario's turtles are now considered Species At Risk federally, and all but one has been classified as At Risk provincially. Road mortality is second only to habitat loss as a reason for population declines. Due to the turtle's life history of possessing very low egg and hatchling survival, every adult is vital to maintaining population health. Healthy populations require that adult mortality is extremely low, since it can take upwards of 60 years (for snapping turtles) to replace themselves in the population.

While our work at the Ontario Turtle Conservation serves to act to 'buy time' for the problem of road mortality to be fixed, the only Gold Standard for mitigation remains prevention of mortality through ecopassages and exclusion fencing. Turtles travel large distances on land, and this is a necessary part of their lives; to find mates, to find suitable feeding grounds, to find hibernation spots, and to lay eggs. The fragmentation of turtle habitat with roads requires turtles to traverse these roads in order to carry out these behaviours. Each road mortality hotspot that we can mitigate, will help to protect these vital components of Ontario's wetlands, and provide much benefit to humans as a result.

Sincerely,

Sue Carstairs

Executive and Medical Director

Ontario Turtle Conservation Centre,

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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On Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 4:04 PM Roxanne Ouellette Hi,

wrote:

I want to apologies for the mistake I made yesterday, I read too fast and misunderstood the procedure. I hope I didn't created any bad outcomes. If I can do anything to correct myself please let me know. My english is not perfect but I will have someone to assist me.

Roxanne,

Télécharger Outlook pour Android

From: Turtles KingstonSent: Monday, September 7, 2020 9:10:39 PMTo: Roxanne OuelletteSubject: Re: Save the turtles

Thank you Roxanne for your response.

Please understand that we needed you to send your own letter to the 6 Council members of the Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee including the 'Statement of Support' we provided in the post as follows:

"Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

We did not anticipate your sending the content of our entire post.

In addition, we provided the 6 email addresses of the Committee for you to simply copy and paste.

Thank you

On Mon, Sep 7, 2020 at 8:27 PM Roxanne Ouellette

wrote:

THIS IS SO IMPORTANT !

PLEASE, PLEASE TAKE A MINUTE TO SAVE THE TURTLES !

Turtles Kingston main objective is to have the Westbrook Wetland located in the west end of the city mitigated with exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites. It is Kingston's number one turtle road mortality 'hotspot'.

The proposal is presently before the 'Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee'' of the City of Kingston's Council.

An engineering firm has been contracted by City Staff to submit an estimate of cost to be accepted for the 2021 budget.

We are calling on the public to support the project. The implementation of these mitigation

measures will not only address the issue of 'road mortality' which is the second highest reason for the decline in the turtle populations following 'habitat loss', but will also resolve the issue of 'Poaching'.

As profiled this past week in the media, there was a devastating poaching incident that took place 10 days ago at the Westbrook Wetland where the hatchlings from 11 of the 18 turtle nests that had been protected with box nest protectors had been raided and the hatchlings stolen for sale in the illegal wildlife trade market.

Please copy and paste the following statement of support into your email and send the one email addressed to all 6 members of the 'Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee'. You can embellish the email if you choose to do so.

"Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

Please copy and paste the email addresses for the 6 members of the 'Environment, Infrastructure and Transport Committee' found below and send them your email with your statement of support.

You do not have to send 6 different emails but simply send your one email addressed to all 6 members of the Committee.

Please cc a copy of your email to '<u>turtleskingston@gmail.com</u>'.

We thank you whole heartedly for responding to this request.

We can make a difference ! Action brings hope !

- * Councillor Stroud; Chair pstroud@cityofkingston.ca
- * Councillor Doherty; Vice Chair <u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>
- * Councillor Holland <u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>
- * Councillor Neill jneill@cityofkingston.ca
- * Councillor Osanic losanic@cityofkingston.ca
- * Councillor Oosterhof goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca

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On Sat, Sep 5, 2020 at 8:18 AM kathleen mcgregor wrote: "Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

Sincerely,

Kathleen McGregor

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

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Subject:Response to Proposed Motion #1 Date:2021-01-10 18:35 From:Ashley Perna To:Mayor&council@cityofkingston.ca

Good Evening,

I am writing in response to Councillor Doherty's motion for Council to formally denounce conversion therapy and lend its support to Bill C-6.

This is a fantastic start and a wonderful first step.

But, on its face, as it is written, the motion does not go far enough.

To begin with, the motion still leaves Kingston residents protected only by existing provincial legislation. This legislation bans conversion therapy as it relates to minors, not those over the age of 18. As a result, there are no current protections for Kingston residents over the age of 18.

We can all agree that conversion therapy is a harmful practice; one that leads to depression, self-harm, suicidal thoughts, and, in some cases, suicide.

And I am sure we are all equally as appalled by the words of Ben Rodgers, Nicole Perry, Ashley Waugh, and countless others who were interviewed by Global in its recent series of articles about Third Day.

However, by limiting the motion to supporting Bill C-6, Council would still leave individuals like Ben, Nicole, and Ashley at risk for this same therapy we agree is unacceptable (as they were 19, 18, and 23, respectively, at the time they endured those "harmful and unethical practices.").

In effect, what this motion does is say that it is okay to use practices we all think are "dangerous and harmful" as long as the individual is an adult. It tells Kingston residents that Council approves of what happened to Ben and Nicole and Ashley and countless others and sets up a municipality where these kind of "harmful practices" can continue to flourish.

One cannot denounce a practice while also allowing it to continue. By not doing more, Kingston is allowing these kind of "dangerous" and "unethical" practices to continue to run rampant, unchecked.

Secondly, we do not know when this Bill will be passed. It only recently passed a second reading at the House, with many MPs not showing up or "only grudgingly" supporting it, in the hopes that it will undergo several amendments.

While we show our support and sit and wait for Bill C-6 to become law, we are leaving countless Kingstonians at risk for something we have all agreed is "a dangerous and harmful practice."

While, of course, a well written and properly executed ban on conversion therapy would be best at a federal level, where it can be criminalized, there is no current federal ban. Nor do we know when one will come into law.

Additionally, the provincial ban does not go far enough to protect all individuals at risk for these kinds of "harmful and unethical practices" as it is restricted to only those under 18.

Furthermore, countless experts, including those consulted for Global's article series, agree that conversion therapy bans are most effective when enacted at all levels of government - including municipal.

In fact, municipalities across the country have already put bans into place to protect all of their residents, not just those under 18, despite the fact that there is pending federal legislation. There is no reason Kingston cannot join them. And there is no reason the City of Kingston cannot enact its own bylaws levying non-criminal penalties, such as fines or the revocation of a business license, for example. Preventative measures could also be enacted at the local level, like amending existing zoning bylaws to prohibit the practice of conversion therapy within the city.

Enforcing these kinds of bylaws may be tricky, but just because something is hard, does not mean it is not worth doing. Again, municipalities across the country have spoken up and done so.

Again, while I am happy to see that Kingston is going to officially support Bill C-6, it does not go far enough to prevent such a "harmful and unethical practice" from occurring to its residents or within the city. In fact, it still allows those very same practices to continue to anyone, so long as they are over the age of 18.

This motion is a fantastic start, but we cannot stop there. We cannot sit back and allow anyone in Kingston, regardless of age, to endure practices we have already agreed are "harmful" and "unethical" and "dangerous." There is a time for patience and a time for action. And when it comes to protecting our citizens, ALL of our citizens, we must act now.

Thank you,

Ashley

Ashley J. Perna Freelance Writer

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Ashley J. Perna Freelance Writer

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Kingston, ON January 10, 2021

Subject: Conversion Therapy Ban

Dear Mayor Patterson & Members of Kingston City Council,

I am writing to you because a few days ago, it was reported that you are considering support for a ban on conversion therapy. As Councillor Doherty has pointed out, there will be no need to draft a municipal law because the federal government is in the process of sending Bill C6 to the Senate for review before its final reading before becoming law. I would like, however, before Council officially votes to support C6 becoming law in Canada, for council to become aware of and understand why close to 300 groups and concerned individuals have submitted briefs to the Committee studying this proposed law. If you are interested in reading any or all of the briefs, you can find them here:

https://www.ourcommons.ca/Committees/en/JUST/StudyActivity?studyActivityId=10980515

Most of these briefs have been written asking for amendments to the definitions of the terms "conversion therapy" and "gender identity". There are few that are against any method of conversion therapy that is aimed at changing a person's sexual preference to heterosexual.

It is because Bill C6 treats gender identity as if it were fixed and immutable when all sorts of facts point to the understanding that it is fluid and very changeable. But where science dictates that sex is binary, even gender ideology advocates insist that there are a plurality of genders or gender expressions.

The problem with the bill treating a fluid gender identity as unchanging, is that should a child or teen be suffering from gender dysphoria, they will not be offered any other counselling than "affirmation" which leads to recommendations for a child to take puberty blockers (a drug designed to treat prostate cancer) which then leads 99% of the kids to cross sex hormones and surgeries, even though this makes these individuals medical patients for life. Please ask yourselves if you believe that kids under 18 understand themselves and their identity well enough to make a decision that causes lifelong changes, many of which are irreversible. A few parents with trans identified children have appealed to courts in Canada to stop gender clinics from going ahead with puberty blockers and surgeries for kids who are not old enough to vote, but are apparently old enough to decide to change their sexual characteristics, a process that has risks for their future fertility and long term health.

Gender dysphoria is real, yes. But there is a great deal of evidence that over time, that most of those who suffer from it as children, mature, grow more comfortable with their body and do not need medicalization. Moreover, recent studies have been released after a lawsuit from a detransitioned teen in the UK, that affirmation therapy with hormones & surgeries does nothing to improve the mental and physical health of transitioned individuals and makes many worse off.

If Bill C6 passes as is, without further amendments, mental health therapists will risking fines and/or jail for offering any counselling for gender confused kids other than affirmation, and more and more young people may have their lives ruined like Keira Bell, a young women who sued the Tavistock Gender Clinic in London. Keira Bell needed time and mental health services to help her explore her feelings of gender dysphoria. That however, was not offered. It is the same in Canada. Getting timely psychological counselling which is covered by our heath system is not available without a long wait. The Keira Bell case is helping to open many people's eyes about a medical scandal that should not be happening to kids. Gender education programs in schools are telling kids as young as eight that they could have been born in the wrong body. The number of kids, and predominantly girls, who are now identifying as the opposite sex (not gender) has increased about 4000% in the last decade, and the growing number of detransitioners is also on the rise because of this. How is it possible that such a large number of kids hate their sex or body or both? In the case of girls, is wanting to be male a symptom of the hypersexualized media representations of women?

I hope you will all take an interest in this issue and read more about it before you vote to support this legislation without amendments.

I am also sending a copy of this letter to our MP & MMP for Kingston & the Islands.

Recommended Reading:

https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/autistic-girls-seeking-answers-are-seizing-on-sex-change-3r82850gw

https://www.economist.com/international/2020/12/12/an-english-ruling-on-transgenderteens-could-have-global-repercussions

https://www.trevoices.com/post/canadian-c-6-bill-make-an-impact-with-4-clicks-of-yourmouse-email-senators-with-ready-templates

https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/irreversible-damage-by-abigail-shrier-review-the-risks-oftransgender-activism-tmlwhpdm9

https://ourduty.group/testosterone-side-effects-in-females/

https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-9130157/The-physicians-testimony-led-High-Courtjudge-ban-child-puberty-blocker-drugs.html

Sincerely

Louise Matchett

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF:

January 12, 2021

From: Jonathan Cresswell-Jones Sent: January 11, 2021 10:20 AM To: City Clerk <<u>CityClerk@cityofkingston.ca</u>> Cc: Subject: Hwy #2 Mitigation Measures

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Regards, Jonathan Cresswell-Jones

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Dear Councillor

We, the Affirming Action Group of Sydenham Street United Church in downtown Kingston, write in support of the motion moved by Portsmouth District Councillor Bridget Doherty, seconded by Mayor Bryan Paterson, for the City of Kingston to send a letter in support of the federal government's legislation, Bill C-6, to ban the practice of conversion therapy nationwide. Although such a ban has been put in place in many local jurisdictions, this should be a national policy of protection for all Canadians.

As an Affirming Ministry within The United Church of Canada, Sydenham Street United Church is publicly, intentionally and explicitly committed to inclusion, protection and justice for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities as well as all marginalized people. Therefore we are opposed to Conversion Therapy practices.

We count on you, a Councilor of the City of Kingston to make a similar commitment to the people of our city to protect them from this harmful practice, known as "Conversion Therapy".

Thank you.

Sincerely

Sydenham Street United Church Affirming Action Group

Linda Hutchinson



January 12, 2021

-----Original Message-----From: Ellen Hartwick Sent: January 11, 2021 7:01 PM To: City Clerk <<u>CityClerk@cityofkingston.ca</u>> Cc: Turtles Kingston Subject: Statement of Support: Mitigation Measures

Mayor and a Council Members:

"Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

Mitigation measures have been proven to reduce mortality of our native turtle species. This implementation is an integral approach for the City of Kingston to address the growing impact that our busy roads and expanding development have on turtle habitats.

Ellen Hartwick

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Bobbi Wright Sent: January 11, 2021 8:38 PM To: City Clerk <<u>CityClerk@cityofkingston.ca</u>> Cc: Subject: Statement of support

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Cheers! Bobbi Wright The Birdhouse Nature Store <u>https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url?a=https%3a%2f%2fthebirdhouse.ca&c=E,1,n2idSYN</u> <u>I9-uEULSZt0--</u> <u>QPP_iBgVIKiEfKOTEQ3dKw7lbL3KfAUd0xY8tzzp81cnkeJPIX98cXZ_kaD7ut3TpPVmS</u> <u>2mw0OpmOg1ubaOZYotV7A,,&typo=1</u>

Sent whilst on the move...



From: Matt Keevil
Sent: January 12, 2021 8:54 AM
To: City Clerk <<u>CityClerk@cityofkingston.ca</u>>
Cc:
Subject: Statement of support for mitigating road crossing at Westbrook Wetland

To whom it may concern,

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of mitigation measures comprised of exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads.

Matt Keevil

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REFERRED TO COUNCIL

From: james ostler
Sent: January 12, 2021 1:24 PM
To: City Clerk <<u>CityClerk@cityofkingston.ca</u>>
Cc: Turtles Kingston
Subject: Statement of Support - Westbrook Wetlands - Mitigation Measures

Dear City Clerk,

Please accept this email as a statement of my support for the implementation of Mitigation Measures comprised of 'exclusion fencing, eco passages and alternate nesting sites' at the Westbrook Wetland located on Princess St / Route #2 between Collins Bay and Westbrook Roads."

We are so lucky to have these Provincially Significant Wetlands in our City! Let's do this to protect this Wetland and its many inhabitants: turtles, snakes, birds and fish!

Many Thanks! James

James Ostler

Sent from Outlook

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From: Edward Leyton Date: 2021-01-10 9:14 p.m. (GMT-05:00) To: Mayor of Kingston <<u>mayor@cityofkingston.ca</u>>, "McLaren,Jeff" <<u>jmclaren@cityofkingston.ca</u>> Cc: Edward Leyton Subject: Motion to support Bill C6 URGENT EMAIL

Dear Mayor and Councillors:

As a practising medical psychotherapist I am deeply concerned regarding the upcoming motion to support the Federal Bill C6 regarding conversion therapy. This Bill makes the egregious assumption that sexual orientation and gender identity can be grouped into the same category, when there is not a shred of scientific evidence to support such a conflation.

In fact, I believe that the Bill was originally designed to prevent conversion therapy for homosexuals (which I do not disagree with), and that somehow gender identity became incorporated as a part of the Bill. I am not sure how that happened, but unfortunately it will do a great disservice to children struggling with gender dysphoria. I have already pointed this out to Mark Gerretsen MP, who has implied that a therapist who does not affirm a child's wanting to be a different gender will be prosecuted. I have also pointed this out to the Committee having hearings on Bill C6, and I attach my Brief to this Committee in this email. The Bill C6 is sufficiently vague so that any therapists who are not "affirming a person's gender" will likely be subject to prosecution.

I am not sure in any event how this motion is relevant to City of Kingston Council other than virtue signalling. This is a Federal Bill, ill conceived, and a particular danger to children who struggle with gender dysphoria in their teens. It is worth pointing out that the United Kingdom, Finland, Australia and other countries have recently required much more stringent regulations for gender clinics than previously because recent research is showing that 80% of children who change gender in their teens later regret it, and desist. It's tragic that surgery, and drugs/hormones with side effects that are **irreversible** are being given to gender dysphoric children, often without the consent of parents. A recent Canadian de-transitioner has formed an

organization <u>https://detranscanada.com/</u> that points out many of these issues.

Detrans Canada – Support for Canadian detransitioners

Detrans Canada is an independent and non-partisan advocacy organization that supports detransitioning, desisting, and re-identifying Canadians. <u>detranscanada.com</u>

I encourage Council members to read the following recent article from the National Post <u>https://nationalpost.com/news/canada/i-feel-angry-why-some-people-regret-and-reverse-their-transgender-decisions</u>

<u>'I feel angry': Why some people regret and reverse their</u> <u>transgender decisions | National Post</u>

'I'm angry that every single doctor and therapist we saw told us this was the one and only option' By age 14, Eva became convinced she was a transgender boy. By 16, she had come out to her ...

nationalpost.com

I would simply ask that my email be presented to Council on Tuesday night, together with my brief to the C6 committee, so that members of Council can be adequately informed before they make a decision as to whether to support a Bill such as this, or whether they vote against it or put it forward for further discussion.

Thank you. Sincerely, *Edward Leyton MD FCFP MDPAC(C)* Copy: Jeff Mclaren

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From:

Sent: January 12, 2021 3:21 PM

To: Kiley,Robert <<u>rkiley@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Bolognone,John <<u>jbolognone@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; McLaren,Jeff <<u>imclaren@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Neill,Jim <<u>ineill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Osanic,Lisa <<u>losanic@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Hutchison,Rob <<u>rhutchison@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Boehme, Ryan N. <<u>rboehme@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Doherty,Bridget <<u>bdoherty@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Oosterhof,Gary <<u>goosterhof@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Stroud,Peter <<u>pstroud@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Mayor of Kingston <<u>mayor@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Chapelle,Simon <<u>schapelle@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Hill,Wayne <<u>whill@cityofkingston.ca</u>>; Holland,Mary Rita <<u>mrholland@cityofkingston.ca</u>> Cc: Mark.Gerretsen@parl.gc.ca; Ian Arthur <<u>ianarthur@ndp.on.ca</u>> Subject: Kingston Accommodation Partners aka I am my business

Tuesday January 12, 2021

To whom it may concern,

Report <u>City of Kingston - City Council Agenda - Meeting 03-2021 - Report COU-21-040</u> looks like slavery, forced labour, to me. I am one person with one accommodation unit within my home with the threat of KAP auditing all of my personal books and then selling that information to who knows where? I am truly repulsed by this report.

If Revenue Canada has no problem with how I categorize and submit my revenue ... which is nothing at the moment ... & one reason is in view of this on-going privacy threat ... I see no reason why I should expose my financials to an organization that expects I should do more work for less money and give up my privacy while they take 10% of the capless 4% MAT they collect for salaries.

Seeing first how mayors and city councils have and are housing some of the most vulnerable and how the garbage pits continue I see know reason to trust the limited knowledge being used if this report is endorsed and the by-law is passed as written.

F.Y.I. when I was doing short term rentals, a job I loved and hope I can do again, it became obvious to me a long-term rental was out of the question ... mayor and council need to get a grip on your random housing situation ... otherwise you look like and are dragging the rest of us into being viewed as slum landlords.

This report <u>https://www.cityofkingston.ca/cok/council/minutes/2006/CO_Minutes_1406.pdf</u> indicates KAP's \$3 million debt for the LVEC ... where does that debt stand and are you expecting a private land owner, with one unit, to pay tax to fund this endeavor?

Who asked by-law to go to the Cozy Inn and why was the 4% MAT imposed on those very vulnerable people, many with mental health issues and the business owner?

About the 180 days ... that is an insurance issue. When I consulted my insurance agent it was made clear insurance companies are not happy to insure such establishments like B&Bs, however, they will cover 180 days ... one can get insured for longer periods of time ... however, it seems one would have to

pay large for that opportunity. I have no problem with that however it will take me 360 days to accommodate that 180 days as, being only one person, I need a day for clean up between guests. Check out time is 11: 00 a.m. and check-in time is 3: 00 p.m. and not enough time to properly do a clean up job. In view of COVID-19 I will likely require even more time and that will impact my income's bottom line. Guests leave late and guests come early ... I need that time. I am always on call when I have had guests.

So, it seems the way the MAT is and is going to be, I would have to work 180 paid days but work 360 days total in order to earn \$27,000 (taxes included) and then there is the overhead which leaves me with money for food and the ability to remain in my home and be happy and not much more on the monetary side. Do you really expect a senior to work hard 360 days a year?

If you are endorsing a living wage and/or asking seniors to come forward so they won't lose their homes ... well, here I am ... what are you going to do for me?

I'm going to need food and I am pennies away from poverty and in view of report COU-21-040 ... do you intend to send me into poverty?

In order to have a voice does KAP require an accommodation entity to become a member of KAP and not just a so-called partner where KAP will demand payment of the MAT?

Yours truly, Wendy Erickson-Gray

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