

Brenton, Terri

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]Request to Budget Committee for Monday Dec 6/21 Meeting

From: Mary Ann Allin >
Sent: 2021/12/06 10:02 AM
To: City Clerks Office <City.ClerksOffice@brampton.ca>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]Request to Budget Committee for Monday Dec 6/21 Meeting

I cannot be at this meeting personally and included an email to be shared with the Budget Committee. Thank you.

Mary Ann Allin
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On Dec 6, 2021, at 10:01 AM, City Clerks Office
<City.ClerksOffice@brampton.ca> wrote:

Good morning,

Thank you for your delegation request. Delegations for Budget Committee were scheduled to take place on November 29 and December 1. Any new delegation requests are being referred to the Special Council meeting on **Wednesday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m.**, at which time the Budget Committee recommendations will be considered for final approval.

Please confirm your availability to delegate on this date/time. Upon receiving your confirmation, further information regarding your participation in this meeting will be provided to you.

Thank you,

Sonya Pacheco
Legislative Coordinator
City Clerk's Office | Legislative Services Department

From: Mary Ann Allin
Sent: 2021/12/05 9:17 AM
To: City Clerks Office <City.ClerksOffice@brampton.ca>
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Dear Budget Committee,

Steve Allin and myself are sending this Delegate Request in opposition of money requested to relocate a barn to the Bovaird House Property. We understand that \$1 million is required to do this. That is a lot of money, money that could be used for so many other things. We realize that preserving Brampton's Heritage may be a good thing, but \$1 million is a lot for 1 barn that will be visited by so few people.

There are many other things that could greatly benefit from that money. Businesses like ours, Journey Thrift, located in Ward 1 at 24 Nelson Street East, or organizations like Regeneration Outreach are still trying to recuperate from closures due to COVID. We get more foot traffic than the Bovaird House, and we support many homeless and addicted individuals that come to us in need. Journey Thrift is an essential service to many people who are looking for affordable clothing, household items etc., and that live in or near the Downtown.

Brampton Libraries are growing. I sit as a Trustee on the Library Board, and for a City our size, we always seem to get by on a very slim budget. At this time they are asking for a %1 (well less than \$1 million dollars!) increase to funding, and this would certainly serve a huge number of people that rely on our Libraries each and every day. Bovaird House and an old barn certainly are not used to that capacity, and some of the funding required to move a barn would be well served to those who use our Libraries.

Neighbourhood groups like our Central Public School Neighbourhood group can always benefit from support for Park clean-ups, tree planting or installing of skating rinks etc. We live in Ward 1, and have an active Neighbourhood group. Add to that the fact that a Community Safety Officer would help to support a Downtown Neighbourhood like ours that sees a large number of homeless and addicted individuals in our neighbourhood that also require help. Crime and drug use is up in the Downtown, and that is all the more reason to allocate money for a Community Safety Officer.

We understand that there is an ask for an Indigenous Relations Officer, we strongly support money being allocated towards this.

Please consider the points that we have made? Do we serve a few by moving an old barn or do we serve many, by allocating funds where they are most needed?

Respectfully Submitted by,

Mary Ann and Steve Allin