

On Sep 17, 2023, at 8:32 AM, [REDACTED] wrote:

Clerks Office – please distribute this E – Mail as an “ Added Agenda Submission “ for the Tuesday, Sept 19th SPPC Meeting under the umbrella of Item 2.1 on the MTG Agenda – Development Charges E’s & D’s. I approve and fully support this distribution on the public record .

Mayor Morgan & SPPC Committee Council Members,

As a taxpayer & voter , I have watched taxpayer’s liabilities to pay outs for deferred development fees rise annually over the past 5 – 7 years at growth levels most on Council would never have expected , almost 2 % of my total annual tax payer funded annual requirement mostly to cover the current Downtown Zones & Industrial Incentives.

With **BOTH** the risk of Bill 23 impacts on expanding D’s & E’s and the serious discussion already started on adding D ‘s & E’s and or grants to support London’s drive to build more homes , our current tax payer funded liability here could expand quickly.

RECOMMEND >> That the SPPC ask our Deputy City Manager – Finance Supports to offer up an update outside the 2024 – 2028 Budget cycle; as this issue should have maximum public exposure & SPPC – full Council debate. The Budget Process does not offer that same opportunity as the public input is limited usually to 1 day of feedback , covering 70 – 80 residents in 3 separate rooms focused mostly on what’s not in the budget . I’m still waiting with some glimmer of hope for guidance from our Finance Team that actually supports & “ walks the talk “ that our rapid path to infill & intensification actually offers taxpayers savings going forward on both our capital & tax payer funded operating budgets and I would think this should spill into our Development Fees in these infill areas .

THXS – Chris Butler – [REDACTED]