

December 17, 2014

Andrew Brouwer  
Town of Newmarket  
395 Mulock Drive  
Newmarket ON  
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Dear Andrew Brouwer:

**Re: Canada Post Residential Delivery Service**

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Richmond Hill Town Council, at its meeting on December 15, 2014, approved the following resolution:

“Whereas Canada Post requested a key staff person in the planning department of Richmond Hill to assist Canada Post in their efforts to replace door to door mail delivery with community mailboxes (C.M.B.) in Wards 2,4,5 and 6; and,

Whereas moving to C.M.B. delivery would be especially hard on seniors and people living with mobility and health challenges and could undermine their ability to live independently and will be compounded during inclement weather; and,

Whereas the proposed change would entail the downloading of responsibilities, costs, and liabilities to local governments, such as paving, lighting, snow removal, and policing related to vandalism and mail theft; and,

Whereas this proposed change would have an adverse economic effect on our communities with regards to the loss of jobs; and,

Whereas this proposed change to Canada's postal system is unprecedented in other G7 countries;

Therefore be it resolved that:

Prior to any service adjustments being implemented by Canada Post and prior to any assistance by Richmond Hill Town Staff, the Town of Richmond Hill as part of our service responsibilities to our residents requires:

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1. Canada Post to conduct Town Hall meetings or open communication (in addition to the Canada Post mailed surveys with the residents being affected by the service change) for all concerned residents; and
2. The Town Hall meetings are to be hosted by the local member of Parliament (M.P.) and/or other elected representatives of the community, with Canada Post representatives and all other local councillors to discuss what kind of postal services Richmond Hill residents need; and,
3. That the Town of Richmond Hill will not endorse Canada Post actions prior to the consultation process being satisfactorily completed; and.
4. The Town of Richmond Hill send a letter to Deepak Chopra, Chief Executive Officer, Canada Post, to inform Canada Post that the Town of Richmond Hill supports the existing delivery system and wishes to retain this valuable service for our communities; and,
5. That the Town of Richmond Hill send a copy of this motion to the Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, York Regional Council and all other municipalities in the York Region and the G.T.A. for endorsement and to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, all York Region M.P.'s and M.P.P.'s."

In accordance with Council's directive, the foregoing Council resolution in this regard has been forwarded to your attention.

If you require any further information, please contact my office at 905-771-2529.

Sincerely,

for   
Donna L. McLarty  
Town Clerk