



May 6, 2015

Ms. Gloria Collier Deputy Clerk Town of Richmond Hill 225 East Beaver Creek Road Richmond Hill, ON L4P 3P4

Dear Ms. Collier:

## RE: Proposed Fire Services Consolidation Endeavour

We are writing to advise of a recent resolution which is referenced below and considered by both the Town of Newmarket and Town of Aurora Council whereby staff has been directed to prepare this communication seeking interest in the possible consolidation of Richmond Hill Fire and Emergency Services with Central York Fire Services. Richmond Hill was part of the original discussions when Aurora and Newmarket consolidated their fire departments in 2002 and at that time there were several unresolved items. Looking back at the success of the consolidation agreement for Central York and the rising cost of providing fire services, it might be an excellent opportunity to re-examine the benefits for Richmond Hill, Aurora and Newmarket.

WHEREAS the consolidation of Aurora and Newmarket fire services into Central York Fire Services has achieved efficiencies through enhanced levels of fire service provided at a significantly reduced cost;

AND WHEREAS consolidation with additional municipalities may achieve further operating efficiencies, improved department structure, increased service level(s), and cost avoidance opportunities;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to prepare correspondence to the Council of the Town of Richmond Hill pursuing interest in the consolidation of CYFS with the Town of Richmond Hill Fire Service.'

We respectfully request that this communication be submitted to your Council for consideration at the earliest practical date and deliberation results reported back as soon as feasible.

Yours truly.

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