

The following are NTAG written comments relating to August 31 Council agenda item 9.2.12 Financial Update:

The Special Council meeting May 19, 2020 approved Report 2020-34 which detailed a list of mitigating measures (page 5) that could potentially reduce the deficit by 50%. What are the savings resulting from the austerity measures that have been taken to date, and will they achieve the 50% target?

Why has Newmarket delayed the opening of services such as swimming pools, recreations centers, Library, etc? Other York Region and Ontario municipalities were opening their services to taxpayers in July and early August, resulting in many of our residents attending facilities in other municipalities.

Why, after the Administrative & Service Delivery Review Presentation on December 16, 2019 recommended “reorganizing and clarifying roles and responsibilities to ensure more optimal and efficient service delivery” and noted that “some areas have a lot more supervisors than staff”, does excess management continue to be retained at full salary and benefits?

On behalf of Board of Directors of NTAG,

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