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Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 10:28 AM

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Subject: Re: THE PROPOSED 2021 TOWN BUDGET

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GOOD MORNING:

In your capacity as the elected Ward 5 area Representative, I am requesting via this e-mail that you ask for this letter to be formally part of the agenda for the meeting later today of Town Council. In making this request, I do so as a citizen of Caledon for close to 46 years.

Given the importance of the agenda and the matters to be discussed, my request is reasonable as the decisions made today will affect all of Caledon.

Thank you.

Joe Grogan/Bolton Resident/Ward 5

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Subject: THE PROPOSED 2021 TOWN BUDGET

I am sending this letter to you in your role as an elected member of Caledon Town Council. Once again, I am suggesting that there be a freeze on the 2021 Town budget so as to reflect the property tax assessments of 2020. Many residents of the Town have lost their jobs due to the shutdowns associated with the COVD-19 Crisis. Other residents have lost incomes due to reduced work hours. Many businesses have suffered huge decreases in incomes due to full or partial closures of their establishments. Some have closed permanently. Now is NOT the time for a property tax increase. This is a responsible and rational suggestion.

Our family has lived in Bolton now since 1975. Every year since then, our taxes have increased over that 46 year period. Last week we received the interim assessment for 2021. What I find astounding is this assessment was received before the date of Council's decision tomorrow, February 16, 2021. We objected to how Regional Council handled the issue of the Town's representation on Regional Council, reducing our representation from 5 elected members to 3, effective, 2022 an injustice in my view. Are we also acting ourselves in a highly questionable manner, in sending to members of the Caledon communities, a tax assessment for 2021 before Council itself debates and makes a decision on the 2021 budget? Who is accountable for actions at the Town of Caledon? Who pays and who profits??

Once again, I am requesting Town Council to NOT increase property taxes for 2021. There are legitimate reasons for a freeze at the 2020 level.

Please include this letter in the package for the February 16/2021 Town of Caledon meeting and on the website for the Town.

Thank you.

Joe Grogan/Bolton Resident, 1975 to present