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Re: Parking on Cox Boulevard, Markham

To whom it may concern:

We the business owners on Cox Boulevard would like to thank Mr. William Wiles, Manager, By-law Enforcement & Licensing, for taking the time to meet with us on Wednesday April 11, 2007. The meeting was held at Unionville Family Medical Clinic at 8 Cox Boulevard. Attending were Ms. Anita Woo, Mr. David Ma, Dr. Adam Chen, Dr. Raymond Wu and Mrs. Eilis Wu. The only business owner missing was the owner of the convenience store, which is now closed and up again for sale. The meeting was arranged to discuss the parking concerns on Cox Boulevard.

Mr. Wiles explained that the parking meters were put up on Cox Boulevard to help business to run successfully, and that the city did not expect to make money from them. The intent of the meters was to guarantee parking availability for business, and to discourage others from parking for extended times on the roadside.

It was generally felt among the business owners that while parking meters have been extremely successful in keeping the road clear for business parking; they have certainly not been successful in promoting and maintaining business. In fact they have discouraged business as can be clearly noted in that the convenience store has changed hands three times, and is yet again up for sale.

Several suggestions were made at the meeting to overcome the various problems created by metered parking, from taking down the meters completely, to giving business owners parking permits to give to customers. The meeting closed with everyone agreeing that something has to be done about the parking. Mr. Wiles asked that a letter be written outlining what the businesses felt would be the best solution to the problem. He also sensibly pointed out that if everyone agrees and signs a common letter, the chances of having our suggestions implemented would increase phenomenally.

We have agreed on the best solution that addresses all concerns. The solution that is fair to all business owners, and that is also good to the community in which we do business. Please carefully consider our wishes so that business may thrive on Cox Boulevard.

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Proposed Parking Solutions

- 1. Take away the present parking meters.
- 2. Install 'One Hour Parking' signs.
- 3. Enforcement time Mon to Sat 10. 00 am to 7. 00 pm. Free on Sunday.

Ms. Anita Woo noticed that this type of parking has been implemented in some areas of Toronto. She took the enclosed photograph to show you. Dr. Adam Chen has seen how effectively this type of parking can be implemented. A chalk line is drawn from the wheel of the vehicle down onto and along the ground by the parking enforcers. Returning an hour later it is easy to know if the vehicle has not been moved and a ticket can then be issued if necessary. For those customers who need to stay longer than one hour, they can move the car to another car space on the road. Alternatively the meters could be kept for customers who need to stay for longer then one hour. Another advantage to this type of parking is that the initial implementation would not be cost prohibitive.

Should the municipality be unwilling to consider this suggestion then <u>additional dispensing</u> <u>meters</u> should be put on the roadside conveniently <u>right in front of the businesses</u>. Enforcement time Monday to Saturday 10.00 am to 7.00 pm. Free on Sunday. At least this would guarantee that the customers are aware of the parking meters, and if they get a parking ticket it would not be an unexpected surprise.

Please kindly consider our suggestions seriously, as successful business is good for everyone.

Yours sincerely.

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