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Subject: \$1,000,000,0000 (That's a billion of my tax \$) Insanity

From: Harold Schulz
Sent: January-19-17 3:43 PM
To: Office of the Mayor
Cc: Ferguson, Lloyd
Subject: Re: \$1,000,000,0000 (That's a billion of my tax \$) Insanity

Dear Mayor:

If you are so confident, put the vote to a referendum and I will shut up.
Until the people have a direct say, your argument that the project in its current form has been endorsed by three elections holds no water to me.

It is also interesting that you do not answer my concerns that King Street West will be down to one lane!

But I commend your office that you at least acknowledged my email - you are the only one that responded - so much for having a representative democracy when my elected officials will not respond not even my own councilor, Lloyd Ferguson.

On Thu, Jan 19, 2017 at 12:45 PM, Office of the Mayor <mayor@hamilton.ca> wrote:

Hi Harold, thanks for reaching out again. The LRT has been endorsed by Council as a project as far back as 2006, or 3 elections. Every Mayor that has won, including myself twice, has run on a pro-LRT platform. Residents voted, and the numbers in my office communications show 90% support for the project.

Of course, construction is never convenient, but once this is built, we are going to wonder why we didn't do it sooner. We knew that the traffic patterns would change, and now we are seeing more of that detail. We are also working to minimize the disruption and support businesses during construction. Regarding the costs, the Province is responsible for cost overruns as per our agreement of understanding with Metrolinx.

Cheers,

Fred

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From: Harold Schulz
Sent: Monday, January 16, 2017 7:34 AM
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Cc: Ted McMeekin, MPP; filomena.tassi@parl.gc.ca
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Dear Mayor and Councillors:

A report in today's Spectator indicating a pending traffic nightmare being created by the proposed (yet unapproved by the citizens of this city) LRT shows just how insane this project really is.

**ONE LANE OF TRAFFIC HEADING WESTBOUND OUT OF DOWNTOWN ON KING STREET -
when there currently are 5 lanes**

We are using 20 year old technology that comes with a huge hydro bill and this will destroy vehicular traffic downtown (which of course is the goal of some) and businesses from one end of the line to the other.

This is insane - please wake up before it is too late.

PS: And remember when this project is complete, it will have cost \$1,200,000,000 at least

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Harold Schulz
Ancaster, ON

A time comes when silence is betrayal - Martin Luther King Jr.