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Subject: Feb 26th GIC meeting: GFL odour concern Stoney Creek

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Dear GIC Committee,

I am writing to express my extreme concern and to lodge a formal complaint regarding the persistent and overwhelming odours emanating from the GFL landfill, located near Green Mountain Road West in Stoney Creek. These odours have become a significant and recurring problem since July 2023, and is severely impacting the quality of life for residents in the surrounding neighbourhoods.

The stench, which is chemical-like, is frequently so strong that it permeates our homes, making it impossible to open windows or enjoy our outdoor spaces. This has effectively rendered our yards and patios unusable.

More importantly, these odours are causing significant health concerns. I, and many of my neighbours, have experienced symptoms such as:

- Nausea
- Headaches
- Dizziness
- Respiratory irritation

This constant exposure to noxious fumes is creating a genuine health hazard and causing considerable distress.

Furthermore, the persistent odour problem is undoubtedly affecting property values in our area. Potential buyers are understandably deterred by the offensive smells, which creates a negative perception of our neighbourhood. This has a direct and detrimental impact on our investments.

Adding to our frustration, we have been diligently paying the property taxes as set by the city. It feels deeply unfair that we are subjected to such an unhealthy and unpleasant living environment despite fulfilling our civic financial obligations. We expect a reasonable quality of life in return for our contributions.

We request that you take immediate action to address this serious issue.

Please acknowledge receipt of this complaint and advise us on the steps you will be taking to resolve this issue.

Vineeth Bharadwaj