

Mayor and Council

Re: Resignation from the Farmers Market Sub-Committee

Dear Colleagues:

As you know on behalf of Council, for the past two plus years the Farmers Market Sub-Committee has been attempting to deal with issues arising from the move back in to the renovated Farmers Market. There have been a number of difficult issues but I believe the Sub-Committee has managed matters well in concert with City staff, doing their very best to listen to all information and then making informed decisions to the best of our abilities. In chairing the Sub-Committee over this time, I have worked with Councillors Farr and Pasuta (earlier Councillors Clark and Ferguson), putting in the time necessary to understand complex issues on behalf of Council and make recommendations which we felt reflected the state of the Market and where Council needs to go.

Having said that I believe the Hamilton Farmers Market is becoming more successful each day, and I am proud of the efforts of Sub-Committee members, City staff, and many stallholders in making this happen.

Given comments at the recent ECS meeting and the general interest of Council in this issue, it seems to me that Farmers Market issues should lie with ECS and Council rather than the Sub-Committee. This matter is of course in Council's hands. Please be advised that effective immediately, I am hereby resigning from the Farmers Market Sub-Committee.

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