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Subject: Last Minute Deputation Request for Tonight - Re Feasibility Study - Sports and Entertainment Facility

Good Morning Wendy

I'm sorry for the late ask but would like to request approval to present a Deputation on behalf of the Allandale Neighbourhood Association. This would be in opposition of the above motion.

Sincerely

Cathy Colebatch

Good Evening, Mayor Lehman and Members of Council

Thank you for allowing me to speak on the motion before you this evening. First, I would like to congratulate Mr Massie and his team on an impressive vision for a new Sports and Entertainment Facility with-in the City of Barrie.

Initially the ask from Mr Massie and team was to locate this potential facility on the one remaining piece of waterfront, east of the South Shore Community Centre. **Is this still the ask?** The motion only reflects "**with-in**" the City limits.

The other question is, as a City... do we have the stomach for it and can we sustain it. Answers will come in due course if we move forward with this motion.

We are very glad to see that the motion before us this evening will be inclusive to the broader public through community consultations. This is extremely important to the residents of Barrie.

Council has known about this for sometime, while residents are just learning about it.

Our main concern at this time is the allocation of a "**maximum \$50,000**" for external consultants/contractors. Since this initiative is being brought to City through a private individual/group, perhaps they should be paying the cost. Mr Massie is respectfully requesting a partnership with the City to work through **his vision**. Why then should tax payers foot the bill. How much is Mr Massie and team contributing toward this vision.

At the very least **we would request Council reduce** the fund allocation from \$50,000 to \$25,000 at this time.

We think it very important to have full transparency on all aspects of this potential project.

Thank you for your time this evening.