



## Legislation Text

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### **DEPUTATION REGARDING MOTION 16-G-270, SALE OF CITY OWNED INDUSTRIAL LAND, 52-68 RAWSON AVENUE (WARD 8).**

Mr. Carmen Angilletta of Rentax Realty Inc. provided a deputation on behalf of Paul Racco of Ram Iron and Metal in opposition to motion 16-G-270 concerning the sale of City owned industrial land located at 52-68 Rawson Avenue. Mr. Angilletta commented that his client objected to the sale of the lands to Moriello Construction Limited because Ram Iron and Metal requires a property that has the same zoning as the subject land whereas Morriello Construction requires amendments to the Official Plan and Zoning By-law that would encumber the property for at least six months. He also noted that his client requires access to the rail line, whereas Morriello Construction is only exploring the usage of rail. Mr. Angilletta indicated that an alternative property with rail does not exist in Barrie for his client to purchase and that there are other industrial properties that Morriello Construction could consider purchasing.

Mr. Angilletta indicated that Ram Iron and Metal Inc. would be utilizing the property and that Morriello Construction Ltd. is a landlord/investor. He stated that Ram Iron and Metal Inc.'s offer to purchase was higher than Morriello Construction Ltd's offer.

In closing, Mr. Angilletta commented that he felt that Barrie has an opportunity to add Ram Iron and Metal Inc. to their list of employers and that Ram Iron and Metal would be proud to bring additional employment opportunities and support the local economy. He suggested that Busch Systems be invited to expand their business on other parcels of land that do not require a rezoning. Mr. Angilletta noted that he felt confused by the decision as he felt both businesses could have the opportunity to be located in Barrie.

Mr. Paul Racco of Ram Iron and Metal Inc. remarked that he wanted to have a business located in Barrie. He advised that there are not many lands available with the zoning he requires for his business. He provided details concerning his business operations in Welland. He noted that he was hoping for the same success in Barrie and he was looking forward to being part of the community.

Mayor Lehman asked questions of City staff and received responses.