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On behalf of the Business Improvement Areas (BIAs) across the Niagara Region, I formally request to delegate at the upcoming Regional Council meeting regarding the proposed exclusion of Downtown Business Areas (DBAs) from Niagara Region's recycling collection services. This proposed change, outlined in staff's recommendation, will have significant financial, environmental, and operational consequences for our downtown business communities. Our BIAs collectively contribute over \$3.5 million annuallyabove and beyond tax contributions-toward local economic development, beautification, and free community events that attract both residents and visitors. The removal of recycling collection will negatively impact businesses, contradict the Region's sustainability goals, and place undue financial burdens on small businesses. Key Concerns: 1. Environmental and Economic Consequences 2. Flawed Consultation Process and Unreasonable Timeline Our Request: We respectfully request: • The opportunity to delegate at the upcoming Regional Council meeting to present our case in detail. • That Council reject Option 5 and instead support Option 3, ensuring that DBAs continue to receive recycling collection services. • That the Region work collaboratively with BIAs and the Province to develop a more sustainable and financially viable waste management solution for downtown businesses.

Video Consent Yes

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