

## Making Local Government Accountable

Deputy Mayor Henderson and Members of Council **Town of Cobourg Municipal Offices** Victoria Hall 55 King Street West Cobourg, ON K9A 2M2

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Mr. Deputy Mayor and Council,

Since, we are now halfway through the year, we would like to know the current status of the town's budget; i.e. are we on track, over or under budget for each department? If we are over, what steps are being taken to make adjustments for the remainder of the year?

We are specifically interested in the following areas:

- What new, non-budgeted, items have been identified and what spending can be reduced in other areas to
  offset this new spending? (An example of this is the skateboard park non-budgeted repairs. What reduced
  spending was looked at in other areas rather than funding from Northam?)
- What are the actual savings to date for identified reductions? Are they on track? If not, why not?
  - The Cobourg Community Centre energy savings
  - o Transfer of the Communications Centre to Owen Sound savings
  - Victoria Hall chiller tower platform
  - o Are there any other savings that have been identified?

We would also like to know what the spending forecast is for the remainder of the year and what action plans have been put in place in areas that are forecast to be over budget.

Thank you for your attention.

Board of Directors Cobourg Taxpayers Association