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March 16, 2017

Mark Johnson
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Dear Mr. Johnson

Re: Interim Order MO-3395-I
Our File Number A17-14-65
Appeal MA15-17

This letter is in response to your letter dated March 2, 2017 concerning Interim Order MO-3395-I. You have requested further records relating to the Town's loan to the Newmarket Soccer Club. Specifically you have requested the following:

1. Did the Town of Newmarket request and review the 2013 audited financials of the Newmarket Soccer Club (NSC)? If so, we are requesting a copy. We have reviewed the August 2013 balance sheet of the Newmarket Soccer Club and we find that not all the numbers match in the 2013 balance sheet provided. In addition, it is clear the NSC was still working on some line items at the time the balance sheet was compiled. As such, we request the 2013 audited financials of the NSC.
2. Did the Town of Newmarket, as part of their due diligence, speak or meet with the Ontario Soccer Association (the provincial governing body for the sport of soccer) or the York Region Soccer Association (the district governing body for the sport of soccer)? Other Ontario and York Region soccer clubs have experienced financial upheaval and the OSA has intervened to ensure the operation of soccer clubs during these episodes. If the Town of Newmarket did hold such meetings, we would like a copy of the meeting minutes.
3. Did the Town of Newmarket, as part of their due diligence, speak or meet with the private lender, Garont Investments, or other lenders who were prepared to loan the soccer club money? If so, then we would like a copy of those meeting minutes as well.
4. In 2013, did the existing lender, Garont Investments, indicate that they would withdraw, or not renew, their loan to the Newmarket Soccer Club? If so, we request a copy of the notice to withdraw, or written notice the loan would not be renewed.

The Town has conducted a further search for records and has determined that there are no further records that can be provided.

To date the Town has provided all records related to the loan to the Newmarket Soccer Club. Should you or the Newmarket Taxpayer's Advisory Group have concerns regarding the Town's approach and processes, staff can address specific questions outside of the Freedom of Information process. This process is designed to provide access to recorded information, and as previously stated there are no further records related to this matter that can be provided.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah Niezen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "S" and a long, sweeping underline.

Sarah Niezen
Records and Projects Coordinator