

Councillor Request for Information

Date of Council Meeting: December 9, 2003

Subject: Interpretation of By-Law B-500 - Respecting Building Service Connections

Request:

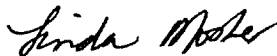
I would like the above item on the agenda of the Regular Council Meeting of December 9, 2003.

Reason:

Some residents are misinterpreting the intent and meaning of By-Law B-500 - Respecting Building Service Connections. The By-Law is worded in a way that sometimes causes confusion regarding the work that is the responsibility of HRM to conduct and pay versus the work that is the responsibility of the residents. I would like a report and recommendations from the By-law Rationalization Committee as to how we can change or provide clarification regarding the wording of these "grey areas." Because there is confusion, this can take up a considerable amount of the time for our Technical & Underground Service staff, as well as those in our Insurance/Procurement Department. A staff report may be able to identify appropriate wording that allows our residents to have a clear understanding and confidence in what they are expected to pay.

I would like this response as:

Recommendation Report to Council



Councillor *Linda Mosher*, District 17

December 4, 2003