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Councillor Toronto-Danforth Ward 30

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Councillor Paul Ainslie Chair, Government Management Committee Toronto City Hall

GM23.1 - Apportionment of Property Taxes for 201 Carlaw

Dear Chair and Members of the Government Management Committee

A few weeks ago I was contacted by residents in my ward at 201 Carlaw. They were shocked and surprised that they are being asked to pay property taxes that were reassessed for a period during which a developer, The Printing Lofts Inc, owned the property. The City has found that The Printing Lofts Inc, having since gone out of business, has no assets with which to pay.

The fact that these property taxes are now being apportioned to the *current* owners instead of The Printing Lofts Inc. is the result of a rule that was changed in 2013 to prevent just this type of situation.

After a very lengthy reassessment Revenue Services has found itself in a postion of having to apply an outdated regulation to collect property taxes from residents who had no involvement or knowledge of this issue until a few weeks ago.

I am asking you to support the following motion to address this situation:

"The Government Management Committee exclude 201 Carlaw from Appendix B in the Treasurer's application to apportion unpaid property taxes in the amounts shown in Appendix B in GM23.1."

Sincerely,

City Councillor Ward 30, Toronto Danforth

CC: Residents of 201 Carlaw

