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To the City Clerk:

Please add my comments to the agenda for the April 22, 2026 City Council meeting on item 2026.CC40.1, Payment of Legal Expenses Related to an Integrity Commissioner Investigation

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### Comments

I am strongly opposed to Councillor Chris Moise's request that taxpayers pay his legal fees following a finding that he violated the City of Toronto's Code of Conduct.

This request represents an unjust and inappropriate misuse of taxpayer dollars.

Legal costs arising from a councillor's own misconduct are personal expenses.

Expecting the public to absorb these costs shifts the financial consequences of individual wrongdoing onto residents who receive no benefit and had no role in the conduct itself. Taxpayer funds are meant to support essential services and community priorities—not to underwrite the personal liabilities of elected officials.

At a time when Toronto residents are already under significant financial pressure, this request is particularly troubling. Hard-working taxpayers have faced nearly a 20% increase in property taxes over the past few years and are being asked to do more with less.

Asking those same residents to now cover legal expenses stemming from a Code of Conduct violation is not only unfair, it is disrespectful to the public's trust.

While no formal penalty may have been imposed, City Council still has a duty to demonstrate accountability to taxpayers. Approving this request would send a clear message that violations of the Code of Conduct come with no real financial consequences for councillors—and that taxpayers will ultimately be left to foot the bill.

Council must reject this request and make it clear that public funds exist to serve the public, not to shield elected officials from the consequences of their own actions.

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