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Sent: Saturday, May 25, 2024 11:05 AM
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Subject: grant application with invoices and photos-95 Simcoe St. S. Oshawa

CIP grant application for 95 Simcoe St. S. Oshawa -Facade improvement grant program

To members of Council:

I wish to address members of Oshawa City Council regarding an exemption to CIP program Facade improvement grant program for graffiti and windows damages at 95 Simcoe St. S. Oshawa during July 2023.

During July 2023 my property was vandalized resulting in graffiti damages on the north side of the building and then later on July 31,2023 someone broke 2 doors and a window on the property. This resulted in an immediate safety concern for my commercial tenant (Lakeridge Health). Whose employees came to work that day. The glass doors were completely damaged and required replacement that day. I contacted Vern glass Oshawa and was grateful to them for coming over that afternoon, taking measurements and installing new doors. Measurements were also taken for the broken window needing replacement and a new window was ordered. It arrived four weeks later and was installed by this firm. Please see attached invoices and photos.

Durham Region Police were contacted immediately and PC Tillsley responded to the call. Badge #3882. HE prepared incident report 23-203615 detailing the damages. It can be obtained from

DRPS. . Cost of damages to windows was \$6800 plus HST. See invoice from Vern glass.

In addition to the damages to the windows graffiti removal was required as I was sent a letter pertaining to this by City of Oshawa bylaw. I had to hire Graffiti Buffer to remove the graffiti from the north side of the building. Both these expenses resulted in an out of pocket cost to me of \$1500 after the insurance reimbursement.

As well as the above incidents, I spent \$900 in previous year installing a fence to prevent individuals from loitering behind the property, leaving garbage and needles also.

I would appreciate my grant application in amount of at least \$1500.00 being approved as soon as possible. This is my first application and I have never asked for anything in the past.

I feel the fence is doing the job it was intended to do namely keeping unauthorized people off the property. I believe it is worth council's time and money to support businesses in the downtown who have made business improvements to attract new tenants and keep the area vibrant.

I would appreciate the opportunity to speak to council in the near future.

Sincerely,

Ludmila Kozak (Owner)