

Oshawa Central Council of Neighbourhood Associations

City of Oshawa

September 12, 2022

Finance Committee

To whom it may concern;

The OCCNA has encountered a major health and safety issue at the historical Thornton Dundee Hall. The existing septic system has failed and requires emergency measures to be taken in which we do not have the funding to complete.

We have found that the extremely old system has failure within multiple areas of the system including but not limited to; tank and underground piping issues, which have almost completely restricted the flow of sewage from septic to the weeping bed in the park. The Hall president has exhausted funding continuously pumping the system as well as having the system inspected multiple times in hopes of repair.

It is apparent that the septic system has failed completely, as bathrooms and kitchen continue to back up, rendering the hall unfit to be open. As you can imagine, this is a major health and safety issue with respect to a biological hazard, and we have since had to close the clubhouse completely due to this issue.

We are requesting financial and Facilities help in having a new system installed. As you can imagine, the OCCNA counts on our hall rentals for revenue to operate our youth programs etc. Having this particular hall closed impacts that revenue tremendously. This financial assistance is required so that we can once again open the building.

We have received a quote to replace the system from our City Septic Contractor in the amount of \$100K, which includes contingency. That said, until we can excavate and expose the system, the contractor cannot provide us with a more accurate cost at this time.

The OCCNA would greatly appreciate any help the City of Oshawa can provide from a financial standpoint as we are limited in funding.

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