

City of Prince Albert

January 20, 2015

Canadian Union of Postal Workers Local 810 1105 – 13th Street West Prince Albert, SK S6V 3J1

Attention: Jason Ripplinger, President & Danielle Day, Vice-President

Dear Mr. Ripplinger and Ms. Day:

Re: Elimination of door-to-door Canada Post Delivery in Prince Albert

Thank you for your correspondence dated December 10, 2014, and subsequent attendance and presentation of Ed Lamarche at yesterday's City Council meeting regarding the Elimination of door-to-door Canada Post Delivery in Prince Albert.

As you are aware, City Council, in considering your correspondence and Mr. Lamarche's presentation, at that time, approved the following Motion:

That the following Resolution be adopted:

"Whereas Local Governments in Canada have a direct financial interest in the security and stability of Canada's postal system, to ensure reliable communications with rate payers and certainty in the timely payment of taxes and other fees;

And Whereas Canada Post, a consistently profitable Crown Corporation, has announced its intention to eliminate residential door-to-door mail delivery in Prince Albert, calling into question the stability of Canada's postal system, the certainty of communications and payments, and the reliability of business transactions;

And Whereas going to Community Mail Box delivery would be especially hard on seniors and persons with disabilities as well as single parents and would undermine their ability to live independently and their health and safety;

And Whereas this proposed change would entail the downloading of responsibilities, cost, and liabilities to local governments, including requirements for municipal land and rights-of-way, infrastructure such as paving and lighting, and policing related to vandalism, graffiti and mail theft;

And Whereas this fundamental change to Canada's communications system is unprecedented in the G7 countries and has been announced in the absence of any meaningful consultation with local governments, Canada Post customers or postal workers;

Be It Resolved that Prince Albert City Council send a letter to Canada Post requesting that it reverse its decision to eliminate door-to-door delivery service within the City."

Once again, on behalf of Mayor G. Dionne and members of City Council, thank you for taking the time to discuss this matter.

Yours truly,

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cc: City Manager