On Jan 10, 2017, at 4:29 PM, Eadie, Ross < > wrote:

Hi Colleagues,

I am not able to attend tomorrow's EPC meeting to speak on behalf of the religious and not for profit cemeteries in regard to the frontage levy. I will be at a Taxi Cab Board hearing meeting during the morning.

From what I understand, representatives from these struggling cemeteries have brought the issue to the attention of EPC in the past. These cemeteries have existed for quite a long time, and citizens of Winnipeg have seen fit to volunteer to upkeep the cemeteries. I can't give an exact number of frontage levy dollars we are talking about, but for the cemeteries the amount is significant. For the City of Winnipeg, the dollar value is more than likely not all that significant. However, for the City of Winnipeg, the running of these cemeteries would be significant.

So, I urge you to have the administration undertake the study, and make recommendations to remove these cemeteries from paying frontage levies. I would imagine it could be done in the Frontage Levy By-law. The property tax exemptions come from provincial legislation I believe, but under the City of Winnipeg Charter, I believe we could amend the by-law without having the provincial government get involved in the process.

Sincerely,
Ross Eadie
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Ross listens!