To: Mayor and Council of the City of Saint John

Re: Conflict of Interest



Your Worship and Council,

The Saint John Transit Commission exists in name only.

In this city, one board of directors for transit and parking is an outright conflict of interest. As two separate competing transportation entities, public transit and parking have collaborated in other municipalities where parking is utilized as a subsidiary to enhance and promote public transit, yet the Saint John Parking Commission has relegated transit to an inconvenient after thought in control of a multi-million dollar annual budget.

No public transit professional representation has resulted in abysmal service designed to avoid or provide unsafe inconvenient access to necessities and amenities alike.

No customer service policy is required as Saint John Transit employs independent legal counsel to defend its *abuse of power by person(s)* in a position of authority. A class action discrimination lawsuit is warranted but taxpayers should not be financing the defence of a publically funded entity's wrongdoing.

Council must ensure citizens' rights are legally protected from Saint John Transit's flagrant abuse.

Respectfully,

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