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- **Reason for Attending the Council or Committee of Council Meeting**
My vehicle was towed in September, and the laws that were applied to me, have not been applied equally. I had to sign my car away to the region, and I feel this whole situation was unfair and could have been avoided
- **Presentation Topic / Title**
Bylaw Double Standards In The City Of Thorold
- **Does your presentation include a slide deck?**
Yes
- **Details of your presentation / delegation (Provide details outlining the request / direction you are seeking from the**

Committee or City Council)

I will be speaking about my experience having my vehicle towed by the bylaw department back on September 18th, and the resulting aftermath of dealing with the local laws. I wish to point out all the vehicles that have been parked in the same location, yet were allowed to, and not towed. I had to sign my car away to the region due to a delay in my EI, because a local business owner refused to submit an ROE to Service Canada. I have pictures of cars parked the exact same way I was parked, and nothing was done to them, while my life has been turned upside down. My neighbors never spoke to us, and the only time we were informed something was wrong, was when bylaw showed up (when I was not home) and said they were going to tow my vehicle.

I will be going over the problem, my follow-up with Danny Vuckovic who brushed my concerns aside, and didn't even email me after I pointed out that the office didn't enforce standards that they tried to enforce with my car. At this point, I just want to share my story, especially since I emailed everyone on city council, and only one councilor reached out to share their sympathies.

As my car has been signed over to the region, I don't think I can request that the city return it, especially considering the way regional towing is, they scare you into paying or signing your car away. It's \$350 the moment they hook it, plus \$75 a day they store it (including weekends when they aren't even open), meaning if I hadn't signed it, and went to council for compensation right now, it would be close to over \$3000 in fees.

I lost my upcoming seasonal job, and any job prospects I had locally, as well as being forced to take sub-par public transit that limits my job options at a moment that I'm seeking a career. I would like some form of compensation, whether that is in the form of a new car, my car being returned to me (if it isn't scrap by now), or some form of monetary reimbursement to help me acquire a new vehicle, or sort out the new issues I face while having no vehicle in Niagara.

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- **Today's Date**

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