



August 6, 2020

To: The Windsor Essex County Health Unit  
Attention: Theresa Marentette, CEO  
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And To: The Windsor Essex County Health Unit  
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Dear Ms. Marentette and Dr. Ahmed:

**RE: Further Request for Information/Data on Positive COVID-19 Cases in Essex County**

At its Regular Meeting of August 4, 2020, Town of Essex Council discussed the need for more timely and detailed information on the reporting of positive COVID-19 cases in our municipalities. At this meeting Council discussed the need to receive more granular information from the Health Unit that allows the public to note positive cases by neighborhood not just at the Municipal level. Further to receive this more detailed information on a timelier and even daily basis if possible will better equip the public and their municipalities to evaluate health risks, identify potential hot zones and plan and use precious taxpayer/municipal resources more efficiently.

This discussion was further to Council's prior and related discussion at its July 20 Council meeting in which direction was provided to send correspondence dated July 23 to the Health Unit requesting the provision of greater raw data on positive COVID-19 cases. I attach for your reference a copy of that previous correspondence.



As a result of Council's discussion, the following resolution was passed at the August 4 Regular Meeting:

Moved by Councillor Bjorkman  
Seconded by Councillor Bondy

**That** Council direct Administration to send a further letter to the Windsor Essex County Health Unit requesting the provision of COVID 19 information that is more up to date (within the last week) but including daily updates if possible as to positive cases and to further indicate as part of such timelier reporting, where exactly amongst our neighborhoods such positive cases are located, using communication resources such as mapping, so that residents and their municipalities can be made aware of the very latest outbreaks and be better informed in helping to control the spread of COVID-19; and

**That** a copy of the correspondence be further sent to the County municipalities and the County of Essex. **"Carried"**

If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Auger".

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