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Hello everyone. So nice to be in your inbox today. I want you to know that my partner Ashley & I intend to send you a more carefully crafted email, containing both of our thoughts, disappointments, and expectations—but we're very busy with repairs and contractors right now. We'll send you these words soon enough, but I wanted to send you something now, since timeliness is sometimes valuable.

You all know me, and I think you'll all agree that I'm a fairly easy-going person. Optimistic, and with a great faith in people. I *always* give the benefit of the doubt; but I feel very burned when that belief turns out not to be well-placed. Allow me this time to be disappointed in this municipality and its sewer infrastructure.

We can't control massive downpours, but it's not the water that falls onto my property that causes me grief; this week it's the water of my neighbours. More specifically, *your* water. Last week I watched as my yard slowly gathered rainwater. But I also witnessed our street's backed-up drains fill the street and breach the sidewalk, absolutely pouring a river of water onto my property and into my basement. There's no mistaking what happened: the shared-use sewer infrastructure that I pay very high taxes for (across two PIDs) is not effective nor adequate. On top of that, the upgrades made on nearby streets like Albert have introduced a new problem: rain water flows EVEN FASTER to Gray street and

overwhelms the plumbing here worse than before. That's an embarrassing result of a very disappointing plan. Neighbours here have had their home's sewer pipes burst this last week, and it's because of that increased load (myself included).

I feel as though I can't trust my municipality to manage its infrastructure. I know you're all working on solutions, and I know you feel my pain, but I don't want or need condolences. I want a fix, and I want it sooner than later. I don't believe in our hired consultants and their ridiculously long process. I don't believe in this council's years-long conversation around the issue. Talk all you'd like – keep the discussion and large-scale plans happening – but let's do two things at once and fix the issues at the ground level too.

I moved to this community assuming it was suitable for modern life. I'm very disappointed (and very, very shocked) to see that it might not be. We'll never succeed in selling Windsor as a growing community if we're not suited to actually *be* one.

Thanks for listening, thanks for your representation, and thanks for the good work that you do. More, please.

