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Dear Fellow Members,

As you may know, the Tenants' Association held a General Meeting this past Wednesday, September 12, at 8 p.m. Originally the plan was to have the paralegal team update all members directly on the submission process to the Landlord & Tenant Board (LTB) and for the tenants to formally sign the submission application.

Unfortunately, the paralegal team was late delivering their contract to the Executive – sent at midnight – before the General Meeting. We did not agree with a number of their terms and conditions and believe that their strategy of requiring both a contract with the Association's Executive group and a separate contract with each tenant member, with additional terms and conditions, was counterproductive, confusing, and unnecessarily time-consuming.

With little time left before the meeting to complete negotiations, the Executive decided to cancel the paralegals' participation in the meeting. The Executive is reviewing the paralegal situation now.

However, the exciting news for our members is that Josh Matlow, our City Councillor, attended and addressed the meeting! Josh outlined his support for our position with our application to the LTB and has taken the lead in organizing a meeting between Shiplake, the Tenants' Association, and himself -- as well as appropriate City staff -- to review and discuss our issues.

The Executive group will continue to keep the membership up to date on the results of the Shiplake meeting, on negotiations with the paralegals, and on our LTB submission.

We appreciate the effort made by those who attended! We thank all members who talked with us and sent emails and any documentation they have to support the TTA application for loss of enjoyment of our homes. And we are grateful for the suggestions of all our members!

Your TTA Executive

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