

How many more costly mistakes by Mr. Miller can Toronto taxpayers afford?

Mr. Miller Disappoints Daily.

Mr. Miller's Broken Promises:

- **Property Tax:** Mr. Miller promised to hold property tax increases to the rate of inflation. For the last three years, inflation has been under 3% and he has raised property taxes by 3%.
- **Transit:** Mr. Miller promised to be the "Transit Mayor." During his three years in office: Routes have been cut. Service has declined. We have had an illegal strike. Transit cars are dirty and crowded. We've had two fare increases in the last year alone. The third consecutive TTC General Manager resigned due to political interference. Money from the Province to replace a fare increase was pocketed. As of yet we do not have a single additional LRT or Subway line underway.
- **Garbage Pickup:** In return for guaranteeing job security, Mr. Miller promised that the garbage workers would pursue "continual improvement." Are there any signs of better service, or that he even bothered following up?
- **Island Bridge and Airport:** Mr. Miller cancelled a bridge to Toronto Islands and promised it would not cost a toonie. It didn't. It cost taxpayers \$37 million and possibly more. Meanwhile, the air service has started up anyway. No vote was ever requested to close the airport.
- **The Broom:** Mr. Miller promised to sweep back room deals and cronyism out of City Hall. He has done the exact opposite. Never in the city's history have city affairs been so affected by special interests. Never have so many secret meetings and secret deals been completed.

Mr. Miller's Secret Deals:

- **No Competition on Subway Car Purchase:** Mr. Miller and his supporters arranged for a private \$700 million deal to be done to buy new subway cars without a competitive bid. This is estimated to cost Toronto taxpayers an additional \$100 million.
- **The Gardiner:** Mr. Miller sat on the secret report on the Gardiner for two years and appears indecisive on what to do with the Gardiner Expressway. He wants to tear it down, he just doesn't want you to know it before the election.
- **Garbage Landfill :** In February 2005, Mr. Miller had a chance to begin using the landfill site that he now wants to buy. He could have saved millions of dollars and provided a solution before it was a crisis. He denied that he knew about the opportunity, but then he was caught not telling the truth.
- **Failed Lobbyist Registry:** Mr. Miller was in favour of a voluntary lobbyist registry, except he rarely submitted a report (even though he had dozens of meetings with special interests and his own fund raiser is a prominent lobbyist). He also wanted it to exclude unions and non-profits.
- **Secret Dismissals:** In a two year period, \$15 million was spent by the city on severances as staff who didn't agree with Mr. Miller were ushered out .

Mr. Miller's Decisions have taken Toronto down a path of waste, increased spending and increased taxes.

**It's time for change.
Toronto deserves better.**

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