

**From the Office of
Councillor Paul Ainslie**
Ward 43 – Scarborough East

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Ainslie Will Not Attend City Council In Convention Centre

Scarborough East: City Councillor Paul Ainslie (Scarborough East Ward 43) has questioned the location of tomorrow's Special City Council Meeting. A notice was sent out today advising Members of Council and the public that Toronto City Council is to hold a Special Meeting of Council to consider TTC Streetcar Report on: Friday June 26, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front Street West, Room 105, North Building.

In an email to Ulli Watkiss, Toronto's City Clerk, Councillor Paul Ainslie responded "I will not be attending. I was elected as a City Councillor and I would expect to meet at City Hall. There is nothing structurally wrong with City Hall."

"We have asked our non-union staff and all essential staff to report to work. Councillor's are non-Union why are we not attending our place of employment as we have asked our own staff, and senior staff to do. If Councillors are to meet we should be meeting at City Hall." stated Councillor Ainslie.

"As elected officials we can not have it both ways. We have to perform our duties for all constituents who elected us and continue our work to do what is in the best interest for the City." Councillor Ainslie added.

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