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I have not nor will support ION, but know fully well this issue is the proverbial "that train has left the station" scenario.

I have read news articles of other cities on ION/LRT where upwards of 300 businesses have closed either due to construction, construction delays and being priced out with property owners raising lease rates. Some of these long before ION was to become a thing in our Region.

But now it is different; potentially dangerously different as we, as part of the Regional Plan. We are at the cusp of a water crisis. Neighbourhood plans, some approved, some not approved, businesses yet not enough to provide to those areas.

How many developers approved, or awaiting approval will attempt to sue the city and/or the region?

While I highly doubt Cambridge will attempt to or even receive the \$600 million into Phase 1 for ION, I believe it is integral to halt ION and its funding until and not at least until our water crisis is not just alleviated but gone.

Thank you
Joe Lethbridge