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Aside from the regular questions about density, affordable housing and transit, ward three candidates were thrown a curve-ball when one resident asked about the costs and purpose of the Halton Hills 2017 trip to Wenjiang, China.

'THERE SHOULD BE FULL DISCLOSURE': WARD 3 RESIDENT POSES QUESTIONS ABOUT WENJIANG TRIP COSTS AT CANDIDATES' DEBATE

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Ward 3 candidates faced an unexpected question about current councillors' costs and goals for their trip to Wenjiang, China, during a recent candidates' debate.

The submitted question from the audience was posed to candi-

dates running for regional council and Ward 3 council, asking about the costs and purpose of the trip to Wenjiang, China, last fall.

It asked where the funding for the trip came from, as well as the business outcomes from the connections politicians established with business leaders in China.

"It was completely a business trip," said Jane Fogal, current regional council representative for wards 3 and 4. She explained that the trip was the latest in a series of treks back and forth between business and government leaders in Wenjiang.

"We were approached by the Chinese," said Fogal, explaining that officials from Wenjiang have

also come to Halton Hills, and are planning a Halton Hills Cultural festival in China, just like the Wenjiang festival that Halton Hills celebrated this year.

In addition, she said the leaders were working to build a connection with Halton Hills Hydro and possibly set up a distribution

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