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It is unclear to me when this addendum was posted. However, I would like to point out that last Council meeting there was quite a discussion about not wanting to spring motions upon Vaughan residents and give them time to provide comments and feedback.

I hope the same sentiment will be applied to this motion. I can imagine there are many community members who may want to provide comments or be notified that Vaughan is seeking to pass a motion to support the Private Member's Bill 5, Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act, 2022 and share this with the province.

Community members, if given more time, may want to provide their input on other areas of the municipal code of conduct where there appears to be series gaps. City of Vaughan staff recently conducted a survey regarding the Integrity Commissioner perhaps the results might be something that should also be communicated to the province or feedback from our very own Integrity Commissioner about current challenges. The province conducted a review of Municipal Codes of Conduct and it has laid stagnant since Spring, 2021 perhaps that too should be mentioned.

Why has the Vaughan's staff report link not been included in the motion, why was the recommendation not brought forward when the staff report was presented on Feb 7, 2023? Why a separate motion put forward a month later by an individual member of Council.

I appreciate the mover's intent but wish that Council could work more collaboratively with staff so that recommendations are truly from the City of Vaughan; a combined staff recommendation (the administration) supported by a Council decision (the government). As opposed to a political motion, written by an individual Councilor and then voted and decided upon by all of Council which may or may not have staff input.

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Thank you,
Irene Ford