

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (2) – MARCH 8, 2023

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**STAFF COMMUNICATION
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**Staff Communication: SC1
Committee of the Whole (2)
March 8, 2023**

DATE: February 28, 2023

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Haiqing Xu, Deputy City Manager, Planning & Growth Management

RE: **STAFF COMMUNICATION - Committee of the Whole (2) March 8, 2023**
20-Minute Makeover

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Staff Communication is to advise the Mayor and Members of Council that the 2023 20-Minute Makeover event will be held on Saturday April 22nd. The 20-Minute Makeover is an event that raises environmental awareness and includes a litter clean-up component as part of celebrating Earth Day.

2. Analysis

Background

Earth Day was founded in 1970 by then US Senator Gaylord Nelson who envisioned hosting a “national teach-in on the environment” that featured rallies across the US to demonstrate for a healthy, sustainable environment. In 1990, Earth Day went global, mobilizing 200 million people in 141 countries and raising the importance of environmental issues on the world stage. In Canada, Earth Day is celebrated by over 6 million Canadians through participation in events and projects that focus on local environmental issues. For nearly 20 years, the City of Vaughan has coordinated the 20 Minute Makeover, a community wide clean-up event, to coincide with Earth Day.

Vaughan’s participation in and promotion of the Pitch-In Canada campaign, including the 20-Minute Makeover program, supports Green Directions Vaughan, Goal 5: To be leaders in advocacy and education on sustainability issues. Pitch-In Canada is a national not-for profit organization focussed on increasing education and community engagement around the impact of waste on our communities and how it impacts our watersheds and wildlife. The 20-Minute makeover campaign is part of the City’s ongoing environmental outreach program with Vaughan schools, citizens groups, businesses, and the community.

In 2022, 3,000 people participated in the event from 81 groups across the City of Vaughan.

Participating in the 20-Minute Makeover is part of Vaughan's contributions to larger campaigns at a federal and global level to raise environmental awareness, including Pitch-In Canada and Earth Day. The City of Vaughan has also been invited to track 20-Minute Makeover metrics, such as the number of participants, as part of a coalition of other Canadian municipalities to measure our collective impact on litter issues in communities across the nation.

Analysis and Options

Vaughan's 20-Minute Makeover event is planned for April 22, 2023. Staff from the Policy Planning and Special Programs department will notify schools, community groups and businesses of the 20-Minute Makeover event and track the potential participation rate through the registration process. The 20-Minute Makeover registration form will be available on the City of Vaughan website in the weeks leading up to the event and all registrations will be coordinated through the City's Sustainability Coordinator. Interested groups will have the option to carry out their cleanup event on any day during the week leading up to Earth Day should Saturday April 22nd not be suitable for them.

In keeping with previous 20-Minute Makeover events, Parks and Forestry Operations department has agreed to collect litter bags from facilities that are unable to process the bags generated from the clean-up event. The 20-Minute Makeover registration form will allow participants to select this service option, if required. Following registration, participants can pick up a supply kit from the Joint Operations Centre in advance of the April 22nd event date. The registration form will also include directions for late registrants, indicating that all waste generated after the event will be the responsibility of the resident, school, business, or community group.

All City departments will be encouraged to participate in the 20-Minute Makeover event, contingent upon their availability. City participation is a model of leading by example in support of Green Directions Vaughan.

Financial Impact

There are no additional economic impacts resulting from this report as this program has been budgeted for within the Environmental Sustainability Office (020032) operating budget.

GLAD ® will provide garbage bags for collecting litter. RONCO will provide gloves for picking up the litter.

Conclusion

The 20-Minute Makeover program, administered by the Policy Planning and Environmental Sustainability department, in partnership with Parks & Forestry Operations, Solid Waste Management, and Corporate and Strategic Communications, encourages citizens to take stewardship action in their community. The City of Vaughan's ongoing participation demonstrates environmental leadership and provides an effective way to increase public education and environmental awareness.

The Pitch-In Canada week campaign and the associated 20-Minute Makeover program are initiatives that encourage residents, students, and businesses to take action against litter in their community. The City's ongoing participation demonstrates environmental leadership and provides an effective vehicle for increased public education and environmental awareness.

The 2023 annual 20-Minute Makeover will take place on Saturday April 22nd.

For more information, contact Will Baigent, Sustainability Coordinator, ext. 8941

Approved by

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Haiqing Xu, Deputy City Manager,
Planning & Growth Management



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**Staff Communication: SC2
Committee of the Whole (2)
March 8, 2023**

DATE: March 8, 2023

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Michelle DeBuono, Supervisor, Public Affairs & Government Relations

CC: Christina Bruce, Director, Policy Planning and Special Programs

RE: **GTAA Public Noise Forum and Airspace Changes at Toronto Pearson Intl.**

1. Purpose

At the [Committee of the Whole \(2\)](#) meeting on Sept. 20, 2022, Council received a deputation from a Vaughan resident requesting support in moving the flight path to a non-residential area in Vaughan.

Council requested that a staff communication update be brought forward at a future Committee of the Whole meeting.

2. Highlights

Public consultation on airspace changes at Toronto Pearson International Airport took place from Nov. 1, 2021, to Dec. 22, 2021, including community-specific information sessions and an online survey.

Vaughan's community-specific consultation was on Nov. 29, 2021. Members of Council and City staff were engaged, including the City's Planning and Growth Management Department and the Public Affairs team.

On Nov. 23, 2021, Christina Bruce, Director, Policy Planning and Special Programs, responded to NAV CANADA, expressing interest regarding the impact of the flight path within the city, specifically the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre (VMC). Staff requested

consideration of a route with less impact on VMC airspace, specifically the proposed expansion area.

In response to staff comments, NAV Canada determined the arc segment could be relocated.

3. Background

The Greater Toronto Airports Authority has a ground lease with Transport Canada with the mandate to develop, manage and operate Pearson efficiently and effectively. Part of that ground lease requires they maintain a Noise Management Program. NAV CANADA, the air navigation provider in Canada, is responsible for safe and efficient aircraft movement. NAV CANADA designs and publishes a network of flight paths based on criteria set by Transport Canada and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

In 2019, Toronto Pearson launched the Noise Management Forums, a series of briefings, tables, and working groups to help the airport work smarter with its communities and collaborate better with the industry.

Public consultation on airspace changes at Toronto Pearson International Airport took place from Nov. 1, 2021, to Dec. 22, 2021, including community-specific information sessions and an online survey. Roughly one-sixth (17.2%) of online survey respondents were from Vaughan.

The community-specific consultation for Vaughan took place on Nov. 29, 2021. Members of Council and City staff were engaged, including the City's Planning and Growth Management Department and the Public Affairs team.

On Nov. 23, 2021, Christina Bruce, Director, Policy Planning and Special Programs, responded to NAV CANADA, outlining the City's interest regarding the impact of the flight path (attached). The response included information regarding residential developments in the VMC, particularly in the impacted quadrants, which feature considerably higher than planned building heights. The city's response asked NAV CANADA to consider a route that would have less impact on VMC airspace, specifically the proposed expansion area and recommended the flight arc be moved 1-2 km east.

NAV CANADA determined the arc segment could be relocated approximately 600 m further east, as shown in the figure below. The adjustment places the RNP approach flight path further away from the VMC development area and closer to the CN MacMillan train yard. NAV CANADA reported this change would further reduce the affected Vaughan population overflown by approximately 4,600 people and 1,300 homes.



Slashed line represents the previous proposal; solid line indicates the revised proposal.

4. Analysis

Staff from Public Affairs and Government Relations participated in the Greater Toronto Airport Authority (GTAA) [Public Noise Forum on Sept. 28, 2022](#), regarding the implementation of a new aviation procedure.

Many participant questions were from Vaughan residents whose concerns included plane overflight, aircraft noise and community impact timelines. GTAA representatives noted that some noise might be attributed to the revised flight configurations and increased air traffic as flights near pre-pandemic levels.

November 2022 Implementation

Based on feedback from the 2021 consultation and the anticipated benefits of RNP AR, NAV Canada began implementing the procedure on Nov. 28, 2022, which includes some adjustments based on community feedback from stakeholders and community consultations.

NAV Canada anticipates a gradual and steady utilization of this innovative operation. When in use, residents can expect some eligible aircraft to use new procedures which reduce flying time, greenhouse gases and quieter continuous descent operations. As shared in consultation, some residents may observe changes to air traffic patterns:

- [Northeast \(Vaughan, Caledon, Brampton and surrounding areas\)](#)
- [Northwest \(Milton, Halton Hills, northwest Brampton and surrounding areas\)](#)

The consultation report is available [online](#).

For more information:

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Attachments

- Pearson Public Meeting Noise Management Forum Sept. 29, 2022 [Memo](#)
- Airspace Change Community Consultation June 2022 [Report](#)
- City of Vaughan (VMC) Nov. 23, 2021 [Response](#) to Airspace Changes at Toronto Pearson Consultation



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**Staff Communication: SC3
Committee of the Whole (2)
March 8, 2023**

DATE: March 8, 2023

TO: Mayor and Members of Council

FROM: Gus Michaels, Deputy City Manager, Community Services

RE: **STAFF COMMUNICATION – Committee of the Whole September 17, 2013 (as it relates to DEPUTATION – MR. PETER CHRISTIANSON 1839086 ONTARIO INC. O/A YOUNG DRIVERS OF CANADA CORPORATION WITH RESPECT TO AMENDING CITY OF VAUGHAN BY-LAW 315-2005)**

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Staff Communication is to provide Mayor and Council information regarding receipt of a request from Mr. Peter Christianson, 1839086 Ontario Inc., o/a Young Drivers of Canada Corporation, James Street, Hamilton, Council directed staff to advise on whether driving school instructors, licensed in other jurisdictions, should be allowed to operate in Vaughan without having to obtain a Vaughan license and whether driving instructors should be required to submit a vulnerable sector criminal check as opposed to a standard criminal check, which is the current practice.

2. Analysis

The intent of licensing is to ensure that business practices do not put the health and safety of the public at risk, consumers are adequately protected, and public nuisances are controlled and mitigated. Licensing provides a way to identify and communicate with businesses, and licensing fees provide the resources to conduct inspections, provide enforcement services and advise business owners of their obligations and rights under the City's by-laws.

A number of other mobile businesses, such as taxis, tow trucks, and refreshment vehicles, are similarly licensed. Although it is true that taxis and tow trucks licensed elsewhere are permitted to drop off passengers or vehicles within City boundaries without the benefit of a City of Vaughan business license, the destination of such passengers or vehicles is determined by the hirer of the services. In the case of driving school instructors, the routes are selected by the instructor, not the student. As such, staff are of the opinion that the current practice of licensing any driving instructor that operates in Vaughan should continue. This is also the practice in other GTA municipalities, including Toronto, Mississauga and Brampton.

With respect to the requirement for a vulnerable sector check, staff plan to address the issue in a future report that looks at the licensing requirements for businesses more

broadly, including whether there is a need for vulnerable sector checks to obtain a City of Vaughan business license.

Upon careful consideration of the request of the deputant, staff are of the opinion that existing regulations for a "Driving School Driver Instructor: best align with municipal mandates of public safety, consumer protection, and nuisance mitigation, and therefore recommend against permitting driving school instructors licensed in other jurisdictions to instruct students within Vaughan without a valid City of Vaughan business license.

For more information, contact: Susan Kelly, Director and Chief Licensing Officer, By-law & Compliance, Licensing & Permit Services, ext. 8952.

Approved by

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Gus Michaels, CMM III, MLE Executive, Property Stds. Prof.
GDPA Deputy City Manager, Community Services