

# **CITY OF VAUGHAN**

**REPORT NO. 31 OF THE** 

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

#### For consideration by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 26, 2023

The Committee of the Whole met at 1:01 p.m., on September 12, 2023.

Present:

| Council Member                                  | In-Person | Electronic<br>Participation |
|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca, Chair           | Х         |                             |
| Mayor Steven Del Duca                           | Х         |                             |
| Regional Councillor Linda Jackson, Deputy Mayor | Х         |                             |
| Regional Councillor Gino Rosati                 | Х         |                             |
| Regional Councillor Mario Ferri                 | Х         |                             |
| Regional Councillor Mario G. Racco              | Х         |                             |
| Councillor Marilyn Iafrate                      | Х         |                             |
| Councillor Adriano Volpentesta                  | Х         |                             |
| Councillor Chris Ainsworth                      | Х         |                             |
| Councillor Gila Martow                          | Х         |                             |

The following items were dealt with:

## 1. OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT (MAJOR TRANSIT STATION AREAS) <u>CITY-WIDE – FILE NO. 26.18</u>

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

1) That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management dated September 12, 2023, be approved, subject to the following in accordance with Communication C8, memorandum from the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated September 11, 2023:

> THAT the Committee of the Whole receive this Staff Communication for information regarding Agenda Item #1, Official Plan Amendment (Major Transit Station Areas) Citywide – File No. 26.18.

## **Recommendations**

- 1. THAT Official Plan Amendment File 26.18 BE APPROVED, to amend Vaughan Official Plan 2010, Volume 1, and add Schedule 1C – Protected Major Transit Station Areas; and
- THAT the Official Plan Amendment, as adopted by Council, be forwarded to York Region for Approval, and inserted into Volume 1 of the Vaughan Official Plan 2010, forming part of Section 2.2.1 Vaughan's Urban Structure, 2.2.5 Intensification Areas and 10.2.2 Definitions, and Schedule 1C – Protected Major Transit Station Areas be added to Vaughan Official Plan, Volume 1, Schedules.

## 2. APPLICATION FOR BLOCK PLAN APPROVAL FILE BL.55W.2019 – BLOCK 55 NORTHWEST LANDOWNERS GROUP INC.

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management dated September 12, 2023, be approved;
- 2) That staff be directed to advise the York Catholic District School Board that the City of Vaughan Council does not support a high school in this area and that the School Board should pursue a high school site in Block 41;
- 3) That comments from the following speakers and Communications be received:
  - 1. Mr. Don Given, Malone Given Parsons Ltd., Renfrew Drive, Markham; and C6, presentation material;
  - 2. Mr. David R. Donnelly, Friends to Conserve Kleinburg and Humberplex, Carlaw Ave., Toronto, and C5, dated September 11, 2023; and
  - 3. Mr. Uzzo Calderaro, The Friends to Conserve Kleinburg, Winterlude Court, Kleinburg; and
- 4) That Communication C7 dated September 11, 2023, from Ms. Irene Ford, be received.

Regional Councillor Rosati declared an interest with respect to the foregoing matter, as his daughter's property backs into the proposed site, and did not take part in the discussion or vote on the matter.

## **Recommendations**

- 1. THAT the Block 55 West Block Plan, dated July 11, 2023, and forming Attachment #2 to this report, BE APPROVED, subject to any minor amendments required resulting from the fulfillment of conditions of Draft Plan Approval;
- 2. THAT the Block 55 West Block Plan forming Attachment #2 to this report, as modified through the resolution of Recommendation #1, be the basis of the implementing Zoning By-law Amendment, Draft Plans of Subdivision and/or Site Plan applications for the corresponding lands in Block 55 West;
- 3. THAT the technical submissions and supporting studies submitted as part of the Block 55 West Block Plan application be updated as required in response to changes resulting from the concurrent Draft Plan of Subdivision and Zoning By-law Amendment applications and any other site-specific development applications; and,
- 4. THAT the Block 55 Northwest Landowners Group Inc. be required to execute an agreement(s) with the City of Vaughan to facilitate the design and construction of infrastructure in support of providing services to the Subject Lands.

### 3. CACOELI TERRA VAUGHAN LTD.: OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT FILE NO. OP.22.006, ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT FILE NO. Z.22.009 – 10811 AND 10819 JANE STREET, VICINITY OF JANE STREET AND TESTON ROAD

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated September 12, 2023, be approved; and
- 2) That the comments from Ms. Ada Ruzza, Jane Street, Maple, be received.

# **Recommendations**

That the Ontario Land Tribunal ("OLT") be advised that City of Vaughan Council ENDORSES the following recommendations for OLT Case No. OLT-23-000284:

1. THAT Official Plan Amendment File OP.22.006 (Cacoeli Terra Vaughan Ltd.) BE REFUSED, to amend Vaughan Official Plan 2010, Volume 1 and Volume 2, Section 11.13 "Block 27 Secondary Plan", for the Subject Lands shown on Attachment 1 as follows:

- a) To redesignate the Subject Lands from "Low-Rise Mixed-Use" to "Mid-Rise Mixed-Use";
- b) Increase the maximum permitted building height from 2storeys to 12-storeys; and
- c) Increase the maximum permitted floor space index from 1.5 to 4.0 times the area of the lot.
- 2. THAT Zoning By-law Amendment File Z.22.009 (Cacoeli Terra Vaughan Ltd.) BE REFUSED, to amend Zoning By-law 1-88, to rezone the Subject Lands shown on Attachment 1, from "A Agricultural Zone" to "RA3 Apartment Residential Zone" in the manner shown on Attachment 5, together with the site-specific zoning exceptions identified in Table 1 (Attachment 10) of this report.
- 3. THAT Zoning By-law Amendment File Z.22.009 (Cacoeli Terra Vaughan Ltd.) BE REFUSED, to amend Zoning By-law 001-2021, to rezone the Subject Lands shown on Attachment 1, from "FD Future Development," to "MMU Mid-Rise Mixed-Use" in the manner shown on Attachment 5, together with the site-specific zoning exceptions identified in Table 2 (Attachment 11) of this report.
- 4. THAT if the OLT allows the appeals, in whole or in part, and makes a decision to approve Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Files OP.22.006 and Z.22.009, staff shall request the OLT to withhold its final Order approving the applications until such time as the OLT has been advised by the City that:
  - a. the proposed official plan amendment and zoning by-law amendment are in a final form satisfactory to the City;
  - b. a Site Development application has been submitted and approved to the satisfaction of the City; and
  - c. the implementing zoning by-law amendment shall include the Holding Symbol "(H)" which shall not be removed from the Subject Lands, or any portion thereof, until such time as the following conditions are addressed to the satisfaction of the respective department:
    - i. Vaughan Council adopts a resolution allocating sewage and water supply capacity in accordance with the City's approved Servicing Capacity Distribution Protocol assigning capacity to the Subject Lands for the proposed 159 apartment units;
    - ii. the Owner shall successfully obtain Site Development Approval for the Subject Lands and approval by the following Departments and external agencies:

- Development Planning Department;
- Development Engineering Department;
- Parks & Infrastructure Planning Development;
- Office of the City Solicitor Real Estate Division;
- York Region;
- Toronto and Region Conservation Authority;

• all required utility companies (i.e. Canada Post, Bell, Rogers and Alectra Utilities Corporation and Enbridge) and

- First Nations groups;
- 5. THAT if the OLT allows the appeals, in whole or in part, and makes a decision to approve Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment Files OP.22.006 and Z.22.009 the Owner shall submit an Archaeological Report, a revised Functional Servicing Report, a revised Stormwater Management Report, a revised Traffic Impact Study, and Environmental Impact Study to the satisfaction of the City's Development Planning Department, Development Engineering Department, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, York Region, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and any other required agencies.
- 6. THAT staff appear before the OLT for Case No. OLT-23-000284 in support of Council's adopted recommendations.
- 4. KLEINBURG MILLS INC.: OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT FILE OP.16.002, ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT FILE Z.15.038, SITE DEVELOPMENT FILE DA.15.091 – 10422 AND 10432 ISLINGTON AVENUE, VICINITY OF ISLINGTON AVENUE AND NASHVILLE ROAD

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated September 12, 2023, be approved;
- 2) That staff be directed to take the right-of-way widening requirements on Islington Avenue in accordance with Schedule 9 of the Vaughan Official Plan 2010, and in line with other properties in the Kleinburg Village;
- 3) That the comments and Communications from the following speakers be received:
  - 1. Ms. Angela Sciberras, Macaulay Shiomi Howson Ltd., Industrial Parkway, Aurora, on behalf of the applicant, and C9, presentation material; and
  - 2. Mr. Frank Greco, Islington Avenue, Kleinburg, and C10, submitted at the meeting; and

- 4) That the following Communications be received:
  - C2. Cinzia Recine, Chair, Kleinburg Business Improvement Area, Kleinburg, dated September 7, 2023;
  - C3. 10462 Islington Avenue Inc., for Canadiana Square 10462 Islington Ave, Kleinburg and Canadiana House 10472 Islington Ave., Kleinburg; 10504 Islington Ave., Inc. for The Post Office Building at 10504 Islington Ave., Kleinburg; Heritage Hill Developments Inc. for Heritage Square, 10425 and 10435 Islington Ave. Kleinburg, dated September 8, 2023; and
  - C4. John Cutler, Secretary & Vice President, Kleinburg & Area Ratepayers Association, Kleinburg, dated September 9, 2023.

# **Recommendations**

- THAT Official Plan Amendment File OP.16.002 (Kleinburg Mills Inc.) (the 'Owner'), BE APPROVED, to amend Vaughan Official Plan 2010 ('VOP 2010'), Volume 2, Area Specific Exception 12.4 - Kleinburg Core to permit the following:
  - a) redesignate a portion of the Subject Lands from "Natural Areas" to "Mainstreet Commercial";
  - b) permit a maximum building height of 12 m (3-storeys), as shown on Attachment 3, whereas VOP 2010 permits a maximum building height of 9.5 m (2.5-storeys);
  - c) permit a residential component (apartment dwelling units) on the ground floor and upper floors (second and third floors), whereas VOP 2010 permits a residential component only on the upper floor (second floor); and
  - d) permit a maximum Floor Space Index ('FSI') of 1.27 times the area of the lot, whereas VOP 2010 permits a maximum FSI of 1 times the area of the lot.
- 2. THAT Zoning By-law Amendment File Z.15.038 (Kleinburg Mills Inc.) BE APPROVED, to:
  - amend Zoning By-law 1-88 to rezone the Subject Lands from "C11 Mainstreet Commercial Zone" and "R1 Residential Zone" to "C11(H) Mainstreet Commercial Zone" with the addition of the Holding Symbol "(H)" and "OS1 Open Space Conservation Zone" in the manner shown on Attachment 4, together with the site-specific zoning exceptions identified in Table 1 on Attachment 11 of this report; and

- b) amend Zoning By-law 001-2021 to rezone the Subject Lands from "KMS 2.5 / 0.2 - 1.0 Main Street Mixed-Use Kleinburg Zone with a Maximum Building Height of 2.5-Storeys and a FSI between 0.2 and 1.0 times the area of the lot" and "R1B(EN) First Residential Zone" to "KMS(H) 3.0 / 1.27 Main Street Mixed-Use Kleinburg Zone with the addition of the Holding Symbol (H) and with a Maximum Building Height of 3-Storeys and a Maximum FSI of 1.27 times the area of the lot" and "EP Environmental Protection Zone", in the manner shown on Attachment 4, together with the site-specific zoning exceptions identified in Table 2 on Attachment 12 of this report.
- 3. THAT the Holding Symbol "(H)" be placed on the Subject Lands and that the Subject Lands zoned with the Holding Symbol "(H)" shall be used only for:
  - a) The production of field crops or a use legally existing as of the date of the enactment of this By-law; and/or
  - b) Site remediation, shoring and excavation works to address contamination in soil and groundwater.
- 4. THAT the Holding Symbol "(H)" shall not be removed from the Subject Lands or any portion thereof, until the following condition is addressed to the satisfaction of the City:
  - a) The Owner shall complete full delineation of contamination in soil and groundwater to the satisfaction of the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks ('MECP'); complete the assessment/management of any potential off-site impacts; and implement the remedial action plan; and
  - b) The Owner shall file a Record of Site Condition ('RSC') on the Environmental Registry to the satisfaction of the Development Engineering Department.
- 5. THAT Site Development File DA.15.091 (Kleinburg Mills Inc.) BE DRAFT APPROVED AND SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS included on Attachment 10, to the satisfaction of the Development Planning Department, to permit a 3-storey building for ground floor commercial retail use, and ground floor and two upper floors for residental use consisting of 22 apartment units (Building 'A'), and a 2-storey office building (Building 'B'), as shown on Attachments 3 to 6.
- 6. THAT Vaughan Council adopt the following resolution for the allocation of water and sewage servicing capacity:

"THAT Site Plan Development Application File DA.15.091 (Kleinburg Mills Inc.) be allocated servicing capacity from the York Sewage Servicing / Water Supply System for a total of 22 residential apartment units (43 persons equivalent). The allocation

of said capacity may be redistributed (at the discretion of the City) in accordance with the City's Servicing Capacity Allocation Policy if the development does not proceed to registration and/or building permit issuance within 36 months."

#### 5. DANIELS BAIF THORNHILL INC.: ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT FILE Z.22.033 (CITY INITIATED) – 7950 BATHURST STREET AND 8 BEVERLEY GLEN BOULEVARD, VICINITY OF BATHURST STREET AND BEVERLEY GLEN BOULEVARD

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated September 12, 2023:

#### **Recommendation**

 THAT Zoning By-law Amendment File Z.22.033 (Daniels Baif Thornhill Inc.) BE APPROVED, to amend Zoning By-law 001-2021, to bring forward site-specific Zoning By-law 1-88 permissions into the new City of Vaughan Comprehensive Zoning By-law 001-2021 for the lands at 7950 Bathurst Street and 8 Beverley Glen Boulevard.

# 6. SIGN BY-LAW RELIEF FOR BUSINESSES (REFERRED)

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Community Services, dated June 6, 2023:

#### **Recommendations**

Council at its meeting of June 20, 2023, adopted the following recommendation, (Item 18, Committee of the Whole Report No. 28), without amendment:

 That the following be approved in accordance with Communication C9, Memorandum from the Deputy City Manager, Community Services, dated June 2, 2023;

THAT the Committee of the Whole defer Item 18 and Item 20 of Report No. 28 to the Committee of the Whole meeting of September 12, 2023.

# Report of the Deputy City Manager, Community Services, dated June 6, 2023:

1. THAT Council approve the following permanent changes to the Sign By-law:

- a) Mobile signs be permitted on an eligible property, with a minimum distance of 30 metres (or 100 feet) between such signs, with up to three (3) signs per property, provided that the mobile sign does not directly abut a residentially zoned property;
- b) No limit be placed on the number of permits that may be obtained by any one business, subject to the limits in recommendation 1(a);
- c) No black-out period be imposed between permits, with permits continuing to be for 21 days, and each permit requiring a separate application and fee;
- d) To expedite the issuance process, application requirements be streamlined by permanently suspending zoning clearances and the submission of site drawings; and
- e) The Director and Chief Licensing Officer be authorized to refuse mobile sign permit applications where he or she determines there are ongoing compliance issues.
- 2. THAT the proposed by-law amendments to the Sign By-law be in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

#### 7. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS REPORT ON THE BUSINESS LICENSING, NOISE, PARKING AND FEES AND CHARGES BY-LAWS (REFERRED)

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the report of Deputy City Manager, Community Services, dated June 6, 2023:

#### **Recommendations**

Council at its meeting of June 20, 2023, adopted the following recommendation (Item 20, Committee of the Whole Report No. 28), without amendment:

 That the following be approved in accordance with Communication C9, Memorandum from the Deputy City Manager, Community Services, dated June 2, 2023;

THAT the Committee of the Whole defer Item 18 and Item 20 of Report No. 28 to the Committee of the Whole meeting of September 12, 2023.

Report of the Deputy City Manager, Community Services, dated June 6, 2023:

- 1. THAT the recommendations contained in Attachment 1 to this report be approved; and
- 2. THAT a By-law be enacted giving effect to these recommendations, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

#### 8. PROPOSED DESIGNATION UNDER PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT OF 11960 HIGHWAY 27 WARD 1 – WEST SIDE OF HIGHWAY 27 AND SOUTH OF KING-VAUGHAN ROAD (TRANSMITTAL REPORT)

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the report forwarded from the Heritage Vaughan Committee, dated September 12, 2023:

#### **Recommendations**

The Heritage Vaughan Committee forwards the following recommendations from its meeting of July 19, 2023, (Item 3, Report No. 6) for consideration:

- 1. That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated July 19, 2023, be approved; and
- 2. That the staff presentation, be received.

#### Recommendations of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated July 19, 2023:

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend Council approve the proposed development as presented, subject to following conditions:

- a. that the Designation Report for 11960 Highway 27 be Received;
- b. that Council approve the recommendation of the Heritage Vaughan Committee to designate 11960 Highway 27 in accordance with Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18;
- c. that Staff be authorized to publish and serve the Notice of Intention to Designate in accordance with the requirements under; Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O 1990, c.O.18 to the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Property Owner (City of Vaughan), and published in the local newspapers; and
- d. if no objection is served on the City Clerk within 30 days of the date of publication of the Notice of Intention, that Council shall pass a by-law designating 11960 Highway 27 and a copy of the by-law shall be served on the Owner (City of Vaughan) and Ontario Heritage Trust and a notice be published in the local newspapers.

9. PROPOSED DESIGNATION UNDER PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT OF 141 CENTRE STREET - WARD 5 - VICINITY SOUTH SIDE OF 141 CENTRE STREET AND WEST OF YONGE STREET, ADJACENT TO THORNHILL HERITAGE CONSERVATION <u>DISTRICT (TRANSMITTAL REPORT)</u>

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the report forwarded from the Heritage Vaughan Committee, dated September 12, 2023:

#### **Recommendations**

The Heritage Vaughan Committee forwards the following recommendations from its meeting of July 19, 2023, (Item 1, Report No. 6) for consideration:

- 1. That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated July 19, 2023, be approved;
- 2. That the following Communications be received:
  - C1. Valerie Burke, Thornhill, dated July 15, 2023; and
  - C2. Adam Birrell, President, Thornhill Historical Society, Royal Orchard Boulevard, Thornhill; and
- 1. That the staff presentation, be received.

#### Recommendations of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated July 19, 2023:

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend Council approve the proposed development as presented, subject to the following conditions:

- a. That the Designation Report for 141 Centre Street be Received;
- b. That Council approve the recommendation of the Heritage Vaughan Committee to designate 141 Centre Street in accordance with Part IV, Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18;
- c. That Staff be authorized to publish and serve the Notice of Intention to Designate in accordance with the requirements under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O 1990, c.O.18 to the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Property Owner (City of Vaughan), and published in the local newspapers; and
- d. If no objection is served on the City Clerk within 30 days of the date of publication of the Notice of Intention, Council pass a by-law designating 141 Centre Street and a copy of the by-law be served on the Owner (City of Vaughan) and Ontario Heritage Trust and a notice be published in the local newspapers.

#### 10. PROPOSED NEW DESIGN FOR TWO SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES AT 9846-9850 KEELE STREET, IN THE MAPLE HERITAGE <u>CONSERVATION DISTRICT (TRANSMITTAL REPORT)</u>

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the report forwarded from the Heritage Vaughan Committee, dated September 12, 2023:

#### **Recommendations**

The Heritage Vaughan Committee forwards the following recommendations from its meeting of July 19, 2023, (Item 2, Report No. 6) for consideration:

- 1. That the recommendations contained in the report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated July 19, 2023, be approved;
- 2. That the comments from Connor Wright, Evans Planning, Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, on behalf of the applicant, be received; and
- 3. That the staff presentation, be received.

Recommendations of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, dated July 19, 2023:

THAT Heritage Vaughan recommend Council approve the proposed development as presented, subject to the following conditions:

- a. that further minor refinements to building design including material specifications shall be approved to the satisfaction of the Vaughan Development Planning Department, Urban Design and Cultural Heritage Division;
- b. that any significant changes to the proposal may require reconsideration by Heritage Vaughan Committee, which shall be determined at the discretion of the Director of Development Planning;
- c. that Heritage Vaughan Committee recommendations to Council do not constitute specific support for any Development Application under the Ontario Planning Act or permits or requirements currently under review or to be submitted in the future by the applicant as it relates to the subject application;
- d. that the applicant submits Building Permit stage architectural drawings and building material specifications to the satisfaction of the Urban Design and Cultural Heritage Division and Chief Building Official; and
- e. that the applicant enter into a Tree Protection Agreement prior to demolition and construction activities on the site.

## 11. ISLAMIC HERTIAGE MONTH FLAG RAISING

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the resolution of Mayor Del Duca, dated September 12, 2023.

#### Member's Resolution

Submitted by Mayor Steven Del Duca

**Whereas**, people of the Muslim faith come from around the world, are ethnically diverse and represent many interpretations of Islam; and

**Whereas**, Muslims have positively shaped the growth of world society through advancements in science, art, business, literature, math and many other cultural pursuits; and

Whereas, the dynamic Muslim community in Vaughan is an essential part of our city's cultural fabric and a key contributor to our ongoing success; and

**Whereas**, Islamic Heritage Month serves to celebrate, inform, educate and share with fellow Canadians the rich heritage of Muslims and their contributions; and

**Whereas**, in 2020, Vaughan Council proclaimed Islamic Heritage Month on a recurring basis; and

Whereas, Islamic Heritage Month also represents an opportunity to acknowledge the challenges faced by Muslim Canadians in the form of Islamophobia and hate-fueled violence, and support a safer and more welcoming city for Muslim residents; and

**Whereas**, the City of Vaughan proudly celebrates its diversity with a cultural mosaic of more than 217 ethnic or cultural origins, a population that speaks 113 different languages and nearly half our residents born in a country other than Canada; and

**Whereas**, the City's flag-raising events and illuminations, among other corporate initiatives and opportunities can bring the Vaughan community together to celebrate meaningful occasions.

## It is therefore recommended:

1. THAT notwithstanding the City of Vaughan's Flag Protocol Corporate Policy (03.C.11), that a flag-raising take place to mark Islamic Heritage Month in October on a recurring basis, as requested by the community organization Muslim Women of Vaughan.

## 12. DECLARING INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE (IPV) AN EPIDEMIC

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the recommendations contained in the resolution of Regional Councillor Mario G. Racco, dated September 12, 2023, be approved; and
- 2) That the comments from the following speakers, be received:
  - 1. Jennifer Kagan, Marc Santi Boulevard, Maple; and
  - 2. Lorris Herenda, CEO of Yellow Brick House, West Beaver Creek Road, Richmond Hill.

# Member's Resolution

Submitted by Regional Councillor Mario G. Racco

**Whereas**, the jury of the adjudicated the Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk and Nathalie Warmerdam Inquest (The Renfrew Inquest) issued 86 recommendations to the Province of Ontario on Intimate Partner Violence; and

**Whereas**, recommendation #1 of the inquest is for the Province of Ontario to declare IPV an epidemic; and

**Whereas**, every two days in Canada a woman is killed by her intimate partner; and

**Whereas**, on any given night in Canada, over 6000 women and children sleep in shelters because it is not safe for them at home; and

**Whereas**, this past year in Ontario, 52 women or one every week, were victims of femicide; and

**Whereas**, according to York Regional Police, IPV and family violence are top dispatched calls for service – in 2022, they had 9,339 calls per their annual report; and

**Whereas**, in 2022, Yellowbrick House worked with 5,201 abused women and children and are already seeing an uptake to their regular quota of crisis calls this year; and

**Whereas**, violence against women costs the national justice system, health care systems, social service agencies, and municipalities billions of dollars per year, and municipalities are on the front line in addressing gender-based violence; and

**Whereas**, Vaughan City Council recognizes that issues of violence against women in all communities are of local importance to the health and wellness of our residents.

## It is therefore recommended:

- That Vaughan City Council recognize the issues of violence against women and girls in York Region as serious to the health and wellness of local families;
- 2. That the Corporate and Strategic Communications department share this message through its channels, as appropriate, including promoting, educating, and creating public awareness about the seriousness and long-term danger of violence in our community;
- 3. That Vaughan City Council declare, in accordance with Recommendation #1 of the Renfrew Inquest, that Intimate Partner Violence and Violence Against Women are epidemic; and
- 4. That the City Clerk circulate this resolution to the Premier of Ontario; the Associate Minister of Children, Community and Social Services; the Associate Minister of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity; the Solicitor General; MPP Michael Tibollo; MPP Laura Smith; the Association of Municipalities of Ontario; the Federation of Canadian Municipalities; and Ontario's Big City Mayors.

Financial and Staff Resource Impact The Corporate and Strategic Communications Department provided input on this Member's Resolution.

# 13. PRESENTATION – MR. SANDY AGNEW

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the presentation by Mr. Sandy Agnew, representing the Dalziel Family Descendants, and C1, presentation material, be received; and
- 2) That Mr. Agnew be permitted to make a presentation to a future meeting of the Heritage Vaughan Committee regarding the TRCA/BCPV North property.

# 14. CONSIDERATION OF STATUTORY/AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

# 14.1. OTHER MATTERS CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the following Ad-Hoc Committee reports be received:
  - 1. Official Plan Update Sub-committee meeting of June 14, 2023 (Report No. 5).

- 2. Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting of June 19, 2023 (Report No. 3.
- 3. Official Plan Update Sub-committee meeting of July 12, 2023 (Report No. 6).
- 4. Heritage Vaughan Committee meeting of July 19, 2023 (Report No. 6).

# 14.2. STAFF COMMUNICATION

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the following Staff Communication be received:
  - SC 1. Memorandum from the Deputy City Manager, Public Works and the Director of Environmental Services, dated September 7, 2023, with respect to Emergency Procurement of Sewage Pumping Station Pumps.

## 15. NEW BUSINESS – UNKEMPT LAWNS ON RESIDENTIAL <u>PROPERTIES AND UNSIGHTLY WEEDS ON CITY INFRASTRUCTURE</u>

The Committee of the Whole recommends that staff bring back reports before the next budget meetings on the various options of:

- 1) enforcing By-laws with respect to property standards, the maintenance of unkempt lawns on residential properties, especially corner lots; and
- 2) effectively and safely maintaining the unsightly growth of weeds on City infrastructure, including, concrete medians, kerbs, sidewalks, etc.

The foregoing matters were brought to the attention of the Committee by Councillor De Francesca.

## 16. NEW BUSINESS – UTILITY JUNCTION BOXES AND COMMUNITY MAIL BOXES

The Committee of the Whole recommends that staff bring forward a report on how the city can hold Rogers Communications Inc., Bell Canada and Alectra Utilities responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of their junction boxes and Canada Post for their Community Mail Boxes. The foregoing matter was brought to the attention of the Committee by Councillor lafrate.

## 17. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (CLOSED SESSION) RESOLUTION SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

The following resolution was passed to enable Committee of the Whole (Closed Session) to resolve into closed session for the purpose of discussing the following:

# 1. 2023 WARD 3 CIVIC HERO AWARD

Resolution of Councillor DeFrancesca, with respect to the above. (personal matters about an identifiable individual)

#### 2. ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL APPEAL CASE NO. OLT-22-004346, CITY OF TORONTO OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 615, YONGE STREET NORTH SECONDARY PLAN, VICINITY OF YONGE STREET AND STEELES AVENUE

Report of the Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management, and the Deputy City Manager, Legal and Administrative Services & City Solicitor, with respect to the above (litigation or potential litigation)

# 3. STRONG MAYOR POWERS

Verbal report of the Deputy City Manager, Legal and Administrative Services & City Solicitor, with respect to the above.

(education and training)

The meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca, Chair