

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2023

Item 23, Report No. 52, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on December 12, 2023.

23. PASSOVER WASTE DEPOT

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

1. That the recommendation contained in the following resolution of the Councillor Gila Martow, dated December 5, 2023, be approved; and
2. That the following communication be received:
 - C2. Craig Guttman, Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto Congregation, Clark Avenue West, Thornhill, dated November 30, 2023.

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor Gila Martow with respect to the above.

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Attachments

N/A