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**C1.**  
**Communication**  
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**Item No. 25**

May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Attn: Vaughan City Council  
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive  
Vaughan, Ontario  
L6A 1T1

**Re: Proposed Changes to Existing City Digital Signs at Community Centres**

To the Mayor and City Councillors,

I am writing to express Pattison Outdoor's interest in competing for an opportunity to operate and / or replace existing City Digital Signs, which are currently located at Community Centres throughout the City of Vaughan. These signs are operated by RCC Media, and display City-related messaging.

At the Committee of the Whole meeting on December 12, 2023, Council directed Staff to re-negotiate the current agreement with RCC Media to update and monetize the existing City Digital Signs. Staff were directed to report back in Q2 2024.

Pattison Outdoor recognizes this opportunity to upgrade and monetize the existing City Digital Signs by replacing them with Third Party Digital Billboards. We also believe that the best opportunity for the City to maximize the non-tax revenue generated by these signs is to allow other Sign Operators to participate in this opportunity through a standard RFP Process.

In 2020, Pattison Outdoor was selected as the City's preferred partner to build and operate three Digital Billboards on City-owned lands as part of Phase 1 of the City's Digital Billboard Program. In the past four years, our team has worked closely with Staff to deliver a successful start to this partnership.

We can also ensure that the design of the new City Digital Signs complements the Phase 1 Digital Billboard network, and that community messaging remains at the forefront of this project by allocating sufficient space on each sign to ensure the City's communication objectives are achieved.

By not allowing other Sign Operators to participate in this opportunity, the revenue potential for the City of Vaughan will be unnecessarily limited.

Therefore, we kindly request that Council direct Staff to create a Request For Proposal process for the replacement and monetization of these existing City Digital Signs, as Phase 3 of the City's Digital Billboard Program.



Our request supports Pattison's desire to grow and expand our partnership with the City of Vaughan. We strongly believe that, as Canada's leader in the Digital Out-of-Home market, we can provide the City with all of the elements necessary to make this opportunity a resounding success for all stakeholders.

As always, we are available to participate in further discussions on this matter, and we kindly thank Council for its consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Campney  
Director of Leasing  
Pattison Outdoor Advertising

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Proposed by law  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 11:46:04 AM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 11:42 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca; mayor@vaughan.ca; mayor\_chow@toronto.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Proposed by law

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As a resident of Thornhill and Vaughn I applaud and commend the decision to implement the proposed by-law, to prevent protests from targeting our places of worship, kindergartens, schools, and community centres.

Being Jewish in this city has become more dangerous than ever. We are constantly threatened, attacked, and harassed - solely for being Jewish - which is antithetical to the Canadian values we grew up with.

I was unfortunately at the Bayt synagogue on Thursday, March 7 when domestic terrorists in masks descended upon Thornhill and chanted Intifada and other Jihadi slogans at us for hours and hours. They set fire to Israeli flags, told us to go back to Europe, stole property, and screamed other obscenities at us. It was deplorable and shameful. The police stood by and watched. It was a disgrace and a permanent stain on the city of Vaughan and the country of Canada. This legislation will help prevent a dark day like that from happening again. Hate and racism in Canada is all of our problem, not just a Jewish issue, and we should all stand up against this crisis of antisemitism.

Thank you for being leaders and forward thinkers, and using the law to help make Canada safer.

We are forever grateful.

Lauren

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Proposed Bylaw to Restrict Demonstrations near Religious Institutions and Other Community Locations  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 12:35:13 PM

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**From:** Zachary Dulberg [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 12:16 PM  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Proposed Bylaw to Restrict Demonstrations near Religious Institutions and Other Community Locations

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To the members of council and the city clerk:

I am a family doctor from Vaughan, and I would like to send my strong support for this proposed bylaw which is essential for protecting our community.

I would call attention to one important gap, which is revealed in [this linked video](#), in which community members are harassed and intimidated *outside their own homes*.

The current list of vulnerable social infrastructure includes “a Childcare Centre, a Congregate Care Facility, a Hospital, a School, or a Place of Worship.” This leaves open the opportunity to bring nuisance protests straight into residential areas, a tactic already being used as seen in the video.

A person’s dwelling is in fact the *most* vulnerable social infrastructure, because a home should be the point of maximum safety for families and community members. Imagine your children could not leave the house because hateful protests aiming to intimidate them and their family were allowed to proceed outside the front door?

For this reason, I would add *residential areas* to the bill somehow. I do not have the legal expertise to know how to put this in. But I do believe it must be added and that we are going to see this tactic used more and more if it is not.

Thank you for your consideration,

-Zack

Zack Dulberg, MD  
Neuroscience PhD candidate  
Princeton University





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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Mayor Del Duca's proposed by-law  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 1:06:17 PM

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**From:** Daniel Korobkin <[rabbi.korobkin@bayt.ca](mailto:rabbi.korobkin@bayt.ca)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 1:04 PM  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Mayor Del Duca's proposed by-law

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Dear Sir or Madam City Clerk,

Our community is very grateful to Mayor Del Duca for proposing the new by-law, which, if passed, will protect vulnerable locations such as schools, synagogues, hospitals, and the like, from harassing demonstrations which create tremendous anxiety for minority populations such as ours. Please support the by-law in any way that you can. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,  
DK

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Rabbi N. Daniel Korobkin  
Beth Avraham Yoseph of Toronto Congregation  
("The BAYT")  
613 Clark Avenue West  
Thornhill, ON L4J 5V3  
(905) 886-3810 x201  
e-mail: [rabbi.korobkin@bayt.ca](mailto:rabbi.korobkin@bayt.ca)  
web: [www.bayt.ca](http://www.bayt.ca)

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Mayor Del Duca's Proposed Protection Bylaw  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 3:49:49 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Robert Libman [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 3:45 PM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External] Mayor Del Duca's Proposed Protection Bylaw

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Dear Sir or Madam,

We are writing this letter to advise you that we are very much in favour of the resolution being put forward by Mayor Del Duca in a proposed bylaw for the City of Vaughan aimed at protecting Vaughan's places of worship, schools, childcare facilities, and hospitals from protests that intimidate, or incite hatred, intolerance, and violence.

We are very grateful to see that our leaders are expressing moral clarity and decency in endeavouring to promote the core Canadian values that we all cherish so deeply.

Thank you for your attention to this most serious & important matter.

Yours truly,

Drs. Robert & Esther Libman  
Residents of Thornhill

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] New Law Re Hate/Antisemitism  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 1:21:57 PM

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**From:** Dr Howard Tenenbaum [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 1:21 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] New Law Re Hate/Antisemitism

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Dear Council members. I have been communicating with the Mayor on issues pertaining to antisemitic attacks in our community. He was kind enough to respond, and he also suggested that I copy my email to the Council for its consideration.

Here's the note:

"I have actually sent a letter of appreciation after this news regarding a proposed bylaw preventing demonstrators from occupying private property etc. came out.

But I'd like to comment on the notion that although the new bylaw (or proposed) is helpful, it's actually not needed. All the police need to do is to enforce Municipal, Provincial and Federal laws that are already on the books, but they're not doing their job. Why not? Why are demonstrators allowed to trespass on private property (illegal), to wear face coverings at demonstrations (illegal), cause mayhem and disturb the peace (illegal), utter death threats (illegal), call for violence against a specific group (illegal) and the best, assault police officers (highly illegal and something I'd not recommend anyone even think of trying!) without being arrested summarily?

I truly appreciate your intentions and as I'd mentioned in the email I sent in recognition of the proposed new bylaw, I'll take anything I can get. But might I suggest that the *YRP be instructed by the Political leadership to enforce the law and not merely try to 'keep the peace'*. The latter's easier to do (or maybe not) and won't accomplish anything near what's needed to protect our community."

Regards,

Dr. Howard Tenenbaum  
[REDACTED] Rose Green Drive, Thornhill, Ontario, L4J 4R4  
[REDACTED]

**C7.**  
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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Protecting our places of worship  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 1:45:36 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Stella S. [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 1:44 PM  
To: Council@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External] Protecting our places of worship

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>  
> Hello,  
>  
> I am very much in support of the new by law that would protect our places of worship. I am pleased that we live in a city where the mayor is caring enough and understands that there is difference between hate speech and freedom of speech. I hope this gets passed.  
>  
> Stella Seigel  
> Sent from my iPhone

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] By-law to prohibit Nuisance Demonstrations within one hundred metres of Vulnerable Social Infrastructure.  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 1:58:30 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jenn V [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 1:57 PM  
To: [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
Subject: [External] By-law to prohibit Nuisance Demonstrations within one hundred metres of Vulnerable Social Infrastructure.

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Hello,

I would like to share my opinion that this by-law is very important to the community of Vaughan and I very much hope it will be passed.

Thank you  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Safety  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:11:17 PM

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**From:** Ruth Pupko [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:10 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Safety

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Hello  
Please pass the safety law as brought by mayor De Luca  
Thank you  
[Sent from Rogers Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Support of the proposed "Nuisance demonstration of vulnerable infrastructure bylaw"  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:14:45 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ilya Bahar [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:14 PM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca; council@vaughn.ca  
Subject: [External] Support of the proposed "Nuisance demonstration of vulnerable infrastructure bylaw"

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Dear sirs/madam,

We applaud the City Of Vaughn for bringing such a bylaw for approval. Your City is an inspiration fir the rest of Canada.

Thank you,

Geni and Ilya Bahar

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Thank you  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:31:49 PM

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**From:** Terry Walman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:30 PM  
**To:** mayor@vaughan.ca; Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Thank you

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Bravo, and thank you Vaughan Council and Mayor Del Duca, and to City Clerk, and City Staff too.

You are all to be commended.

It is encouraging to see such understanding and action taken, while others duck or equivocate, or act against the good.

So many thank you, and appreciate you,

Sincerely,

Terry Walman

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**From:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca) [<mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca>]

**Sent:** June-11-24 1:38 PM

**To:** Terry Walman [REDACTED]

**Subject:** RE: [External] Thank you

Good afternoon,

Thank you for previously contacting the Mayor's Office regarding your concerns about community safety.

We are happy to provide you with this important update.

During the May 22, 2024 Council meeting, Vaughan Council unanimously passed Mayor Del Duca's [Member's Resolution](#), which directs City staff to develop a by-law aimed at protecting Vaughan's places of worship, schools, childcare facilities, and hospital from protests that intimidate, or incite hatred, intolerance, and violence.



I am pleased to inform you that City staff have since developed the proposed by-law, which will be presented to City Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for June 18th, 2024.

To read the proposed by-law, [click here](#).

It would be very helpful if you would please consider sharing your opinion regarding this initiative with all Members of Council and our City Clerk.

To submit a written communication on the proposed by-law, please send an email to [clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:clerks@vaughan.ca) and [council@vaughan.ca](mailto:council@vaughan.ca). The deadline for submitting written communications is noon on June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

If you'd like to make a deputation (which can be done in person or virtually) regarding the proposed by-law at the Committee of the Whole meeting, you can do so by pre-registering by completing the [online form here](#) or calling Service Vaughan at 905-832-2281. Deadline to register for a deputation is noon on June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Please let us know if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Thank you for your attention and participation in making Vaughan a safer, more inclusive community.

Best regards,

Office the Mayor, Steven Del Duca

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**From:** Terry Walman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 18, 2024 1:49 PM  
**To:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Thank you

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Dear Honorable Mayor Del Duca.

So many Canadian Citizens, of all faiths, thank you, for your proposed bylaw to ban demonstrations that intimidate or incite hatred, violence, or discrimination.

Respectfully,

Terry Walman, LLB,

1240 Bay Street, Suite 202

(Bay St., 1 block North of Bloor St.),

Toronto, Ontario, M5R 2A7

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Proposed Bylaw to Restrict Demonstrations near Religious Institutions and Other Community Locations  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:37:14 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Risa Dulberg [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:36 PM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External] Proposed Bylaw to Restrict Demonstrations near Religious Institutions and Other Community Locations

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I am in favour of passing this bylaw.  
We must feel safe in our communities and given the amount of anti- semitic demonstrations we, as Jews, have been experiencing in our city, we do not.  
Thank you  
Risa Dulberg  
Sent from my iPad

**C13.**  
**Communication**  
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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Re: Member's Resolution  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:38:49 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ron Simon [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:38 PM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External] Re: Member's Resolution

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Thank you for this proposed new by-law. While the right to demonstrate is important in a democracy, it should not supersede an individual's rights to worship, seek medical attention, be educated, etc. I think everybody's rights are respected in this new by-law. I urge all concerned to pass it into law.

Sincerely,

Ronald H Simon  
[REDACTED] Toscana Rd  
Woodbridge

Sent from my iPhone

**C14.**  
**Communication**  
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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Proposed by-law  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:39:15 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Joanne Asher [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:38 PM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External] Proposed by-law

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Please pass the proposed by-law which protects schools, hospitals and places of worship from hateful demonstrations that could incite violence.

Joanne Asher

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Proposed Bylaw to Restrict Demonstrations near Religious Institutions and Other Community Locations  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:45:44 PM

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From: Risa Dulberg [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:40 PM  
To: Council@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External] Proposed Bylaw to Restrict Demonstrations near Religious Institutions and Other Community Locations

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I am in favour of passing this bylaw in order to ensure the safety of the Jewish people in our communities. There has been an unprecedented amount of anti-Semitic demonstrations and we need to feel safe in our communities and our cities.

Thank you  
Risa Dulberg  
Sent from my iPad

**C16.**  
**Communication**  
**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**  
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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Re; Mayor Del Luca's Member Resolution  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:55:34 PM

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**From:** Evie Shulman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:55 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Re; Mayor Del Luca's Member Resolution

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I am also happy to hear that City staff have since developed the proposed by-law, which will be presented to City Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for June 18th, 2024.

This will surely go a long way towards making Vaughan a safer place.

Evie Shulman  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] proposed by-law,  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:57:08 PM

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**Communication**  
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**From:** Camila Hazan Kucharczuk [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:55 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] proposed by-law,

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Unless I missed it, I do not see anything in the proposed by-law of protesters having weapons. Weapons can include hammers, rocks, etc. Since these crowds seem to be getting bigger and more unruly, we can expect these issues to become more common.

I think the rest of the proposal is very reasonable, putting the safety of people first. Common sense that does not seem to be so common lately.

Thank you

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*Camila Kucharczuk*



**C18.**  
**Communication**  
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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] New bylaw  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:58:42 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: SOL ROBINS [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:58 PM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External] New bylaw

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Sent from my iPad

Thank you for doing this. Hopefully this will bring peace to the people of Vaughan. The recent protests have been very stressful to me and I'm sure many others. I hope that the city of Toronto will take note and do the same. God bless!

Bernice Robins

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Feedback on the Proposed Safe Access Bylaw to be submitted to City Council at the Committee.  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:16:02 AM

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**From:** Laurence Price [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:07 AM  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Feedback on the Proposed Safe Access Bylaw to be submitted to City Council at the Committee.

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*I wrote an email to Mayor Del Duca's office about the rise in antisemitism in Vaughan and its relationship to the protests. In my response, I was told that I could submit feedback on a proposed by-law aimed at protecting Vaughan's places of worship, schools, childcare facilities, and hospital from protests that intimidate, or incite hatred, intolerance, and violence, which will be presented to City Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for June 18th, 2024. The following is my written communication, which I would like to submit.*

Greetings,

I appreciate being given the chance to comment on the proposed Safe Access Bylaw. As a resident of Thornhill and a member of the Jewish community, I am writing to express my strong support for this initiative, which is crucial for enhancing community safety by legally restricting protests within 100 meters of sensitive areas like places of worship, schools, childcare facilities, and hospitals in Vaughan.

This bylaw aims to establish a protective buffer zone around these vulnerable community spaces. Such measures are vital to ensure that these areas remain safe havens, free from disruptions that could incite hatred, intolerance, and violence.

In addition, I am particularly concerned with the safety of neighbourhoods that are predominantly Jewish. Recent incidents where these communities

have been specifically targeted by protestors entering residential areas to intimidate and harass residents with antisemitic rhetoric highlight the need for extending similar protections to these neighbourhoods. It is imperative that provisions to prohibit such protests near private residences are also incorporated into the bylaw to protect residents from targeted antisemitic harassment and ensure their security at home.

Recent attacks on synagogues and other Jewish institutions, including shootings and firebombings, underscore the urgent need for robust protective measures. The rise of such violent acts against our community facilities has heightened the sense of vulnerability among us and further emphasizes the necessity for this bylaw. The threats and intimidation against the Jewish community must stop.

Although this proposed bylaw is a good first step, much more work remains to combat this trend.

I commend Mayor Del Duca and the City Council for their leadership in crafting this legislation. However, this bylaw will only be effective if enforced rigorously to safeguard the Jewish community. The bylaw must not only be supported but actively implemented to ensure that our city remains a beacon of inclusivity and security, especially during these turbulent times.

I am deeply invested in the well-being of our community and am optimistic about the positive impact the adoption of this bylaw will have. I urge the Council to adopt this regulation swiftly.

Thank you for considering my suggestions. I understand the importance of timely feedback in the legislative process, so I am submitting this input before the June 17th deadline for consideration on the Safe Access Bylaw.

Best regards,

Laurence Price

■ Robinwoof Trail  
Thornhill, Ontario, L4J6K7

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Demonstrations and protests by-law  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:18:45 AM

**C20.**  
**Communication**  
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**From:** RM Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 4:22 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Cc:** Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Demonstrations and protests by-law

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I am repeating my statement of March 18 2024 regarding demonstrations as described below.

Mayor Del Duca,

Demonstrations and protests based on intimidation or inciting hatred, intolerance, violence or discrimination for any reason toward any group by any group should not be allowed anywhere in Vaughan or anywhere!

The proposed resolution is seriously flawed! The proposed resolution is not broad enough.

In its current form it suggests that such acts would be allowed at any location that is outside of 100 metres from the specified places.

What is that for? Freedom of expression? No one should be free to incite hatred anywhere in any form by any method. The location does not matter!

Such acts should simply not be tolerated anywhere at all.

Therefore, I urge you to make this resolution broader and draft a by-law to discourage and hopefully prevent any such acts anywhere in Vaughan as soon as possible.

**C21.**  
**Communication**  
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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Bylaw to protect schools and places of worship  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:20:44 AM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Karen & Idan Shlesinger [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 5:00 PM  
To: [councillors@vaughan.ca](mailto:councillors@vaughan.ca); [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
Subject: [External] Bylaw to protect schools and places of worship

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Dear Councillors,

As you are aware, on Monday March 18, 2024, Mayor Steven Del Duca announced that he will be putting forth a member's resolution to Vaughan city council, asking for a bylaw to be passed that is designed to protect places of worship, schools, childcare centres and hospitals from unruly protestors. As you deliberate over the proposed bylaw aimed at safeguarding the rights and well-being of all citizens of Vaughan, I urge you to let your moral compass guide your decision-making process. Each of you has taken an oath to uphold Canadian values that form the bedrock of our community, and now is the time to honor that commitment wholeheartedly.

With this in mind, I urge you to vote in favour of this very important and dire motion. As we have all seen, the streets of Toronto and the GTA, have been plagued with hate-filled, anti-democracy rallies weekend after weekend, and Vaughan has not been immune to these targeted demonstrations. In recent weeks we have seen targeted protests at multiple places of worship, childcare centres and at a residence housing vulnerable individuals right here in Thornhill. These events have been very distressing to the entire community, leaving many feeling unsafe and vulnerable, feelings that have been magnified by York Regional Police failing to keep these protestors a safe distance from places of worship and other social infrastructure.

By supporting this bylaw, you not only fulfill your duty as elected representatives to prioritize the safety and well-being of all residents, but also demonstrate your unwavering dedication to the values that define our Canadian community.

The City of Vaughan can make a clear statement that while we all have the right to peaceful protest, it cannot come at the expense of other people's right to worship and practice their religion, nor can those protests be allowed to incite hatred and fear towards specific religious and ethnic groups or target other sensitive institutions. These tactics have led to residents of many backgrounds feeling intimidated and reluctant to go out in the community, thereby impacting the local economy. By passing this resolution, it will restore a sense of safety and security throughout the City of Vaughan.

Residents of Vaughan have chosen to live here for its cultural diversity and safety. We have placed our trust in your hands, believing that you will champion our rights and protect our interests with diligence and integrity. We thank you for working hard to make Vaughan a safe and welcoming community for all residents.

Regards, Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Thank you for fighting hatred  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:22:49 AM

**C22.**  
**Communication**  
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**From:** Belinda Schneeweiss [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 5:17 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Cc:** mayor\_chow@toronto.ca; councillor\_matlow@toronto.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Thank you for fighting hatred

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This is wonderful news and a much appreciated decision that will protect people of all faiths, students, children and ensure our law abiding, democracy loving citizens are kept safe!

Thanks so much for your courage and for doing the right thing!!

I have cc'd councillors in Toronto in the hopes that they may draw inspiration and courage from you to do the right thing!

Belinda Schneeweiss  
[REDACTED]

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "[mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)" <[mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: [External] Thank you for fighting hatred  
**Date:** June 11, 2024 at 1:01:54 PM EDT  
**To:** Belinda Schneeweiss [REDACTED]

Good afternoon,

Thank you for previously contacting the Mayor's Office regarding your concerns about community safety.

We are happy to provide you with this important update.

During the May 22, 2024 Council meeting, Vaughan Council unanimously passed Mayor Del Duca's [Member's Resolution](#), which directs City staff to develop a by-law aimed at protecting Vaughan's places of worship, schools, childcare facilities, and hospital from protests that intimidate, or incite hatred, intolerance, and violence.

I am pleased to inform you that City staff have since developed the proposed by-law, which will be presented to City Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for June 18th, 2024.

To read the proposed by-law, [click here](#).

It would be very helpful if you would please consider sharing your opinion regarding this initiative with all Members of Council and our City Clerk.

To submit a written communication on the proposed by-law, please send an email to [clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:clerks@vaughan.ca) and [council@vaughan.ca](mailto:council@vaughan.ca). The deadline for submitting written communications is noon on June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

If you'd like to make a deputation (which can be done in person or virtually) regarding the proposed by-law at the Committee of the Whole meeting, you can do so by pre-registering by completing the [online form here](#) or calling Service Vaughan at 905-832-2281. Deadline to register for a deputation is noon on June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Please let us know if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Thank you for your attention and participation in making Vaughan a safer, more inclusive community.

Best regards,

Office the Mayor, Steven Del Duca

-----Original Message-----

From: Belinda Schneeweiss [REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, March 18, 2024 5:37 PM

To: [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)

Cc: Jill Andrew-CO <[JAndrew-CO@ndp.on.ca](mailto:JAndrew-CO@ndp.on.ca)>; [mayor\\_chow@toronto.ca](mailto:mayor_chow@toronto.ca); Prime Minister of Canada <[pm@pm.gc.ca](mailto:pm@pm.gc.ca)>; [melanie.joly@parl.gc.ca](mailto:melanie.joly@parl.gc.ca); [yaara.saks@parl.gc.ca](mailto:yaara.saks@parl.gc.ca)

Subject: [External] Thank you for fighting hatred

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Dear Mayor Del Duca

Thank you for urging Vaughan City Council to pass a bylaw to ban demonstrations from within 100 meters of places of worship.

Above all, thank you for recognizing the hateful demonstrations in front of synagogues do nothing to help the palestinian people they purport to support, and instead act as vile acts of hate and demonization of Toronto's ethnic communities, specifically the Jewish Community which has been the target of antisemitics and undemocratic protests.

While freedom of speech is a value we all hold dear, call from From the River to the Sea, and urging communities to engage in Intifada, violate the norms of peaceful and productive demonstrations and cross the line onto hate speech and calls for violence.

Canada is no longer recognizable, and we urge all leaders at all levels to have the courage to put an end to this hateful incitement.

Thanks for your steps in the right direction.

Sincerely

Belinda Schneeweiss

[REDACTED]

Toronto

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] By law feedback  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:24:09 AM

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**From:** Lisa Speers [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 6:10 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Cc:** mayor@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] By law feedback

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To protect critical infrastructure is critical to maintaining law and order in this country. March 4 and March 7 were a disgrace. The hate targeting the Jewish community is flabbergasting. This is one step in the right direction. Thank you.

A resident of Vaughan

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Concerns about community safety.  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:27:30 AM

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**From:** R F [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 8:14 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Concerns about community safety.

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*I urge Council to pass this bylaw swiftly and hope that this will encourage other municipalities and provincial governments to follow the City of Vaughan's example of leadership.*

Sincerely,  
Rhonda Fromstein  
[REDACTED] Dewbourne Ave, York M6C 1Z1  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Bylaw protecting vulnerable communities  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:27:48 AM

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**C25.**  
**Communication**  
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From: Susie Sobel [REDACTED]  
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 10:35 PM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca  
Cc: Council@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External] Bylaw protecting vulnerable communities

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I am relieved to see this bylaw and wish to thank Mayor Del Duca for proposing this Member's Resolution

With much appreciation

Sarra Sobel

**C26.**  
**Communication**  
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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Concerns about community safety  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:28:03 AM

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**From:** Morgan Smyth [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 4:14 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Concerns about community safety

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Sincerely,

Morgan Smyth  
[REDACTED] Wellington St E, Toronto, ON M5E 1S3  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Support for Mayor Delduca  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 10:20:17 AM

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**From:** Laura Jacob [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 10:19 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Support for Mayor Delduca

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To whom it may concern.

Please note that I fully support Mayor Del Duca's [Member's Resolution](#), which directs City staff to develop a by-law aimed at protecting Vaughan's places of worship, schools, childcare facilities, and hospital from protests that intimidate, or incite hatred, intolerance, and violence.

I hope this resolution passes.

Thank you,

Laura

**Laura Jacob**

[linkedin.com/in/laurajacob](https://www.linkedin.com/in/laurajacob)

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Concerns about community safety  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:29:26 AM

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**From:** Daniel Freudman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:29 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Concerns about community safety

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Hello,

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This proposed by-law will be presented to City Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for June 18th, 2024.

This by-law is essential to stem the growing threat of hateful protestors targeting the Jewish community with vicious demonstrations, including two synagogues in Thornhill, all of which are brazen acts of Jew hatred. This is happening in the context of rising hate crimes targeting Jewish residents across the GTA. No one—from any community—should be targeted for hate outside their house of worship, community centre or school when participating in community life.

I urge Council to pass this bylaw swiftly and hope that this will encourage other municipalities and provincial governments to follow the City of Vaughan's example of leadership.

Sincerely,

Daniel Freudman

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Concern about community safety re: Document 170532  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 11:35:50 AM

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [External] Concern about community safety re: Document 170532

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Sharon Singer  
[REDACTED] Orchard View Blvd.  
Toronto, ON M4R 2G3

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Mayor Del Duca's Member Resolution  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 11:37:36 AM  
**Importance:** High

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**From:** David Brill [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 11:37 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Mayor Del Duca's Member Resolution  
**Importance:** High

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Th whom it may concern,

I strongly support the mayor's Member Resolution which directs City staff to develop a by-law aimed at protecting Vaughan's places of worship, schools, childcare facilities, and hospital from protests that intimidate, or incite hatred, intolerance, and violence.

Please make it a law as soon as possible!!!

**David Brill, M.B.A., CFA**  
[REDACTED]



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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] resolution to protect places of worship  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 2:04:32 PM

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**From:** stephen wise [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 2:01 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] resolution to protect places of worship

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**I am writing to thank you.**

I understand that during the May 22, 2024 Council meeting, Vaughan Council unanimously passed Mayor Del Duca's [Member's Resolution](#), which directs City staff to develop a by-law aimed at protecting Vaughan's places of worship, schools, childcare facilities, and hospital from protests that intimidate, or incite hatred, intolerance, and violence and that City staff have since developed the proposed by-law, which will be presented to City Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for June 18th, 2024.

In recent weeks, we have seen hateful protestors target the Jewish community with vicious demonstrations, including most recently at two synagogues in Thornhill. These acts of Jew hatred and intimidation cannot be allowed to continue, which is why we have called on authorities to ban protests from taking place in close proximity to community institutions.

As the Mayor was quoted, "Enough is enough, what we have seen is not peaceful. It is not respectful. And it does not reflect our values. The right to protest is fundamental to what it means to be Canadian. But this right is not unlimited."

I applaud you and the town council for your strong leadership in combating hate and antisemitism.

Thank you, we really appreciate your attention to this urgently needed policy and I hope it comes to council and gets passed at the next meeting.

Stephen Wise  
Thornhill, L4J8B4

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] By-law to prohibit Nuisance Demonstrations  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 3:30:43 PM

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**From:** Natalie Blum [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 3:30 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] By-law to prohibit Nuisance Demonstrations

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To whom it may concern

The proposed by-law developed **must** be made into law.

The protection of vulnerable social infrastructure and residents of Vaughan must be upheld.

Intimidation, violence, intolerance, discrimination without any doubt has a negative effect on the health, safety and well-being of citizens.

Inciting hatred and fear must not be tolerated in our city. Acts based on hate can quickly escalate to unimaginable atrocities.

Look at the city just south of Steeles. The vile activities of those determined to terrorize cannot spread. We must not allow this hatred to flourish.

This by-law is a positive step and must be approved and enforced.

Thank you

Natalie Blum  
Thornhill

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Protecting Vulnerable Social Infrastructure  
**Date:** Thursday, June 13, 2024 8:24:00 AM  
**Attachments:** [Bylaw-ProtectingSocialInfrastructure.pdf](#)

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [External] Protecting Vulnerable Social Infrastructure


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To Whom It May Concern:

I am the president of Beit Rayim Synagogue & School in Vaughan and represent the views of my constituency on the proposed bylaw (attached). We applaud the Vaughan Council for taking this bold step to make it safe to enter houses of worship, schools, and other vulnerable social infrastructure. Thank you,

Irving Siegel, MD  
[REDACTED]

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*THE CITY OF VAUGHAN*

***BY-LAW***

**BY-LAW NUMBER XXX-2024**

**A By-law to prohibit Nuisance Demonstrations within one hundred metres of Vulnerable Social Infrastructure.**

**WHEREAS** section 8(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001* S.O. 2001, c. 25 (“*Municipal Act*”) provides that the powers of a municipality under the statute be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on municipalities to enable municipalities to govern their affairs, as they consider appropriate, and enhance their ability to respond to municipal issues;

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**AND WHEREAS** Council recognizes the fundamental right of freedom of expression for people to protest and demonstrate peacefully and further recognizes that such expression is an important element of democratic society;

**AND WHEREAS** Council also recognizes the need to reasonably and responsibly balance such rights against the health, safety and well-being of members of its communities;

**AND WHEREAS** Council recognizes that behaviours such as intimidation, inciting hatred, violence, intolerance or discrimination may have negative effects on the health, safety and well-being of its citizens;

**AND WHEREAS** Council deems certain social infrastructure to be especially vulnerable to public *Nuisance Demonstrations*, and further deems it necessary for such social infrastructure to have protection from such *Nuisance Demonstrations* in order to protect the well-being of users of the *Vulnerable Social Infrastructure*;

**AND WHEREAS** Council, in good faith, and in accordance with section 128 of the *Municipal Act*, has established what constitutes or could become a *Nuisance Demonstration*, as set out hereunder;

**AND WHEREAS** nothing in this By-law is intended to prevent peaceful protests or demonstrations, including those that occur as part of a labour union strike;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

## 1.0 Short Title

- (1) This By-law shall be known and cited as the “Protecting Vulnerable Social Infrastructure By-law”.

## 2.0 Applicability and Scope

- (1) The provisions of this By-law apply to all properties, or parts thereof, that are located within one hundred (100) metres of *Vulnerable Social Infrastructure*.

## 3.0 Definition and Interpretation

- (1) In this By-law, unless the context otherwise requires, words imparting the singular number shall include the plural, and words imparting the masculine gender shall include the feminine and further, the converse of the foregoing also applies where the context requires.

- (2) Wherever a word is used in this By-law with its first letter capitalized and the whole word italicized, the term is being used as it is defined in section 3.0(4) of this By-law. Where any word appears in ordinary case, the commonly applied English language meaning is intended.

- (3) Any reference to a statute, regulation, by-law or other legislation shall include such statute, regulation, by-law or legislation as amended, re-enacted, replaced, or superseded.

- (4) For the purposes of this By-law:

“**Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law**” means the Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended or its successor;

“**City**” means The Corporation of the City of Vaughan, or the area within the jurisdiction of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan, as the context requires;

“**Childcare Centre**” means a daycare facility licensed under the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014*, S.O. 2014, c. 11, Sched. 1 and its regulations;

“**Congregate Care Facility**” means a Long Term Care Facility, Retirement Residence, Supportive Living Facility, and Independent Living Facility, as these terms are defined in the *City’s Comprehensive Zoning By-law 1-2021*;

“**Designated By-law**” has the same meaning as in the *Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law*;

**“Enforcement Officer”** means a *Person* appointed by *Council* as a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, pursuant to section 15.2 of the *Police Services Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 15, to enforce the provisions of this By-law or a sworn member of York Regional Police, Ontario Provincial Police, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, or any other *Person* so authorized;

**“Hospital”** means a hospital as defined under the *Public Hospitals Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.40 and its regulations;

**“Nuisance Demonstration”** means one or more *Persons*, publicly and in person, protesting against something or expressing views on any issue, in any manner, whether it is intended or not, that is likely, on an objective standard, to cause a reasonable *Person* to be intimidated, meaning that they are either concerned for their safety or security, or they are unable to access *Vulnerable Social Infrastructure*. For greater certainty, intimidation can be caused by, but not only by, actions or expressions that incite hatred, violence, intolerance or discrimination.

**“Order”** means a written or oral direction given by an *Enforcement Officer*, to discontinue an activity, and that is in accordance with section 444 of the *Municipal Act*,

**“Person”** means a natural individual or any other legal entity, such as a corporation, as required by context;

**“Place of Worship”** has the same meaning as set out in *City’s* Comprehensive Zoning By-law 1-2021, being one or more buildings used for the gathering of a religious or faith-based organization for spiritual purposes.

**“School”** means a school as defined in the *Education Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.2 and its regulations;

**“Vulnerable Social Infrastructure”** means a *Childcare Centre*, a *Congregate Care Facility*, a *Hospital*, a *School*, or a *Place of Worship*.

#### **4.0 Nuisance Demonstrations Prohibited**

- (1) No *Person* shall organize or participate in a *Nuisance Demonstration* within one hundred (100) metres of the property line of any *Vulnerable Social*



*Infrastructure.*

- (2) For greater certainty,
  - (a) section 4.0(1) is not intended to prohibit peaceful gatherings, protests or demonstrations, including any such activities that occur as part of a labour union strike;
  - (b) a *Nuisance Demonstration* is a public nuisance pursuant to section 128 of the *Municipal Act*.

## **5.0 Enforcement Powers**

- (1) An *Enforcement Officer* may enter on land, premises, or buildings at any reasonable time for the purpose of carrying out an inspection to determine compliance with:
  - (a) a provision of this By-law or any other by-law;
  - (b) an *Order* issued under this By-law or any other by-law.
- (2) An *Enforcement Officer* who finds a contravention of this By-law may give an *Order* to the *Person* who has contravened this By-law.
- (3) In accordance with the *Municipal Act*, for the purposes of an inspection pursuant to section 5.0(1) of this By-law, an *Enforcement Officer* may:
  - (a) require the production for inspection of documents or things relevant to the inspection;
  - (b) inspect and remove documents or things relevant to the inspection for the purpose of making copies or extracts;
  - (c) require information from any *Person* concerning a matter related to the inspection; and
  - (d) alone or in conjunction with a *Person* possessing special or expert knowledge, make examinations or take tests, samples or photographs necessary for the purposes of the inspection.
- (4) For greater certainty, Part 5.0 authorizes an *Enforcement Officer* to require individuals to provide their name, address and identification, and the *Enforcement Officer* is permitted to use that information in the course of the investigation and to enforce this By-law.

- (5) No *Person* shall hinder or obstruct an *Enforcement Officer* from exercising duties under this By-law.
- (6) The Deputy City Manager, Community Services, or designate, is authorized to order the closure of any highway, including roadway, boulevard, sidewalk, trail or pathway, the closure of any public place, including facility, park, or parking lot, and/or redirect vehicular or pedestrian traffic in any way, including the placing of barricades, where necessary to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of citizens during or in anticipation of any *Nuisance Demonstration*.

## **6.0 Fines**

- (1) Every *Person* who is guilty of an offence under this By-law is subject a fine under the *Municipal Act*, such that:
  - (a) a minimum fine shall not be less than \$500 and a maximum fine shall not exceed \$100,000;
  - (b) in the case of a continuing offence, for each day or part of a day that the offence continues, a minimum fine shall not be less than \$500 and a maximum fine shall not exceed \$10,000, however, the total of all of the daily fines for the offence is not limited.

## **7.0 Administrative Monetary Penalties**

- (1) Instead of issuing a fine under the *Municipal Act* for an offence of a By-law, an *Enforcement Officer* may issue an administrative monetary penalty to the *Person* who has contravened the By-law, in accordance with the *Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law*.
- (2) If a *Person* is required to pay an administrative monetary penalty under section 7.0(1), no fine shall be laid against that same *Person* for the same violation.
- (3) The amount of the administrative monetary penalty for a breach under this By-law is \$750.
- (4) Every *Person* who commits an offence or obstructs an *Enforcement Officer* or authorized agent of the *City* who is in the course of enforcing this By-law or conducting an investigation to do same, is subject to an administrative

monetary penalty on each subsequent day in which the offence continues.

- (5) For greater clarity, the refusal to provide identification when requested to do so by an *Enforcement Officer* is considered obstruction, in accordance with section 426 of the *Municipal Act*, and is an offence under section 7.0(4) of this By-law.
- (6) If an *Order* has been issued under this By-law and the *Order* has not been complied with, the contravention of such *Order* shall be deemed to be a continuing offence for each day, or part of a day, that the *Order* is not complied with, and the *Person* shall be subject to a penalty of \$1,500 for each day or part of a day the offence continues.
- (7) A *Person* who is issued an administrative monetary penalty shall be subject to the procedures provided for in the *Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law*, including the right to request a review of the matter in accordance with the provisions of that By-law.

#### **8.0 Cost Recovery and Unpaid Fines and Penalties**

- (1) The *City's* Treasurer may add any unpaid fine or administrative monetary penalty to the tax roll for any property in the *City* of which all of the owners are responsible for paying a fine or administrative monetary penalty, and may collect it in the same manner as municipal taxes.

#### **9.0 Severability**

- (1) Where a court of competent jurisdiction declares any provision of this By-law to be invalid, or to be not in force, or without effect, it is the intention of the Council in enacting this By-law that the remainder of this By-law shall continue to be in force and applied and enforced in accordance with its terms to the fullest extent possible according to law.

#### **10.0 Conflict with Other *City* By-laws**

- (1) Where there is a conflict or contradiction between this By-law and any other by-law of the *City*, the provisions establishing the more restrictive standard shall prevail.

**11.0 Designated By-law**

(1) Schedule 1 of the *Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law* is hereby amended by including this By-law as a *Designated By-law*.

**12.0 Force and Effect**

(1) This By-law shall come into force and effect on the date enacted by Council.

Voted in favour by City of Vaughan Council this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

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Steven Del Duca, Mayor

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Todd Coles, City Clerk



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Mayor Steven Del Duca  
City of Vaughan  
Sent via e-mail

12 June 2024

Dear Mayor Del Duca,

Be assured of my ongoing prayers for you and all members of Vaughan City Council as you discern the most prudent path forward for your constituents. I am most grateful for all those who serve in elected office and recognize the many sacrifices and challenges for those called to this vocation.

I would like to express my gratitude to you and members of council for unanimously endorsing the “Protecting Vaughan’s Social Infrastructure” resolution. Places of worship, that are essential to so many community members, must continue to be havens of peace, prayer and fellowship. In a similar way, schools, childcare facilities, congregate care facilities and hospitals serve to strengthen and support the entire community. Collectively these spaces should never be subject to gatherings that incite hatred or violence.

Thankfully, in our democracy, we have the right to peaceful protest which unfolds throughout our country in different ways with an appropriate approach to issues of concern. Sadly though, in recent months, we have seen an increase in aggressive, hate-filled and violent protests in close proximity to places of worship and other aforementioned spaces.

Faith communities need to know that they are valued members of society and important constituents of the greater community. Persons of faith have the right to worship without the fear of being intimidated and become objects of scorn and violence in its many dehumanizing and destructive forms. Religious freedom is foundational to a person's identity and to the free exercise of all of one's freedoms; it is a fundamental human right and one that speaks to the respectful practice of one’s faith without interference, to welcoming its unique role in the public square, without privatizing any faith.



I am hopeful that council will pass a bylaw prohibiting such demonstrations. Let us do all that we can to work collectively to nurture respectful dialogue, peace and mutual respect for all. Be assured of my commitment to assist in any way to achieve this goal, drawing on the diverse gifts and talents of our Catholic community so that all worshipers of all religions may gather publicly to pray and practice their faith in peace and harmony with others.

Once again, thank you to you and your colleagues for your leadership in fostering a safe environment to help ensure spaces meant to lift up and strengthen the community may be free from intimidation, violence or hate.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Francis Leo". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small cross at the beginning.

Most Rev. Francis Leo  
Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto

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Thank you,

Charles Ticker

*THE CITY OF VAUGHAN*

***BY-LAW***

**BY-LAW NUMBER XXX-2024**

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- (1) The provisions of this By-law apply to all properties, or parts thereof, that are located within one hundred (100) metres of *Vulnerable Social Infrastructure*.

## 3.0 Definition and Interpretation

- (1) In this By-law, unless the context otherwise requires, words imparting the singular number shall include the plural, and words imparting the masculine gender shall include the feminine and further, the converse of the foregoing also applies where the context requires.

- (2) Wherever a word is used in this By-law with its first letter capitalized and the whole word italicized, the term is being used as it is defined in section 3.0(4) of this By-law. Where any word appears in ordinary case, the commonly applied English language meaning is intended.

- (3) Any reference to a statute, regulation, by-law or other legislation shall include such statute, regulation, by-law or legislation as amended, re-enacted, replaced, or superseded.

- (4) For the purposes of this By-law:

“**Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law**” means the Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law 063-2019, as amended or its successor;

“**City**” means The Corporation of the City of Vaughan, or the area within the jurisdiction of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan, as the context requires;

“**Childcare Centre**” means a daycare facility licensed under the *Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014*, S.O. 2014, c. 11, Sched. 1 and its regulations;

“**Congregate Care Facility**” means a Long Term Care Facility, Retirement Residence, Supportive Living Facility, and Independent Living Facility, as these terms are defined in the *City’s Comprehensive Zoning By-law 1-2021*;

“**Designated By-law**” has the same meaning as in the *Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law*;

**“Enforcement Officer”** means a *Person* appointed by *Council* as a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, pursuant to section 15.2 of the *Police Services Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 15, to enforce the provisions of this By-law or a sworn member of York Regional Police, Ontario Provincial Police, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, or any other *Person* so authorized;

**“Hospital”** means a hospital as defined under the *Public Hospitals Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.40 and its regulations;

**“Nuisance Demonstration”** means one or more *Persons*, publicly and in person, protesting against something or expressing views on any issue, in any manner, whether it is intended or not, that is likely, on an objective standard, to cause a reasonable *Person* to be intimidated, meaning that they are either concerned for their safety or security, or they are unable to access *Vulnerable Social Infrastructure*. For greater certainty, intimidation can be caused by, but not only by, actions or expressions that incite hatred, violence, intolerance or discrimination.

**“Order”** means a written or oral direction given by an *Enforcement Officer*, to discontinue an activity, and that is in accordance with section 444 of the *Municipal Act*,

**“Person”** means a natural individual or any other legal entity, such as a corporation, as required by context;

**“Place of Worship”** has the same meaning as set out in *City’s* Comprehensive Zoning By-law 1-2021, being one or more buildings used for the gathering of a religious or faith-based organization for spiritual purposes.

**“School”** means a school as defined in the *Education Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.2 and its regulations;

**“Vulnerable Social Infrastructure”** means a *Childcare Centre*, a *Congregate Care Facility*, a *Hospital*, a *School*, or a *Place of Worship*.

#### **4.0 Nuisance Demonstrations Prohibited**

- (1) No *Person* shall organize or participate in a *Nuisance Demonstration* within one hundred (100) metres of the property line of any *Vulnerable Social*

*Infrastructure.*

- (2) For greater certainty,
  - (a) section 4.0(1) is not intended to prohibit peaceful gatherings, protests or demonstrations, including any such activities that occur as part of a labour union strike;
  - (b) a *Nuisance Demonstration* is a public nuisance pursuant to section 128 of the *Municipal Act*.

## **5.0 Enforcement Powers**

- (1) An *Enforcement Officer* may enter on land, premises, or buildings at any reasonable time for the purpose of carrying out an inspection to determine compliance with:
  - (a) a provision of this By-law or any other by-law;
  - (b) an *Order* issued under this By-law or any other by-law.
- (2) An *Enforcement Officer* who finds a contravention of this By-law may give an *Order* to the *Person* who has contravened this By-law.
- (3) In accordance with the *Municipal Act*, for the purposes of an inspection pursuant to section 5.0(1) of this By-law, an *Enforcement Officer* may:
  - (a) require the production for inspection of documents or things relevant to the inspection;
  - (b) inspect and remove documents or things relevant to the inspection for the purpose of making copies or extracts;
  - (c) require information from any *Person* concerning a matter related to the inspection; and
  - (d) alone or in conjunction with a *Person* possessing special or expert knowledge, make examinations or take tests, samples or photographs necessary for the purposes of the inspection.
- (4) For greater certainty, Part 5.0 authorizes an *Enforcement Officer* to require individuals to provide their name, address and identification, and the *Enforcement Officer* is permitted to use that information in the course of the investigation and to enforce this By-law.

- (5) No *Person* shall hinder or obstruct an *Enforcement Officer* from exercising duties under this By-law.
- (6) The Deputy City Manager, Community Services, or designate, is authorized to order the closure of any highway, including roadway, boulevard, sidewalk, trail or pathway, the closure of any public place, including facility, park, or parking lot, and/or redirect vehicular or pedestrian traffic in any way, including the placing of barricades, where necessary to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of citizens during or in anticipation of any *Nuisance Demonstration*.

## **6.0 Fines**

- (1) Every *Person* who is guilty of an offence under this By-law is subject a fine under the *Municipal Act*, such that:
  - (a) a minimum fine shall not be less than \$500 and a maximum fine shall not exceed \$100,000;
  - (b) in the case of a continuing offence, for each day or part of a day that the offence continues, a minimum fine shall not be less than \$500 and a maximum fine shall not exceed \$10,000, however, the total of all of the daily fines for the offence is not limited.

## **7.0 Administrative Monetary Penalties**

- (1) Instead of issuing a fine under the *Municipal Act* for an offence of a By-law, an *Enforcement Officer* may issue an administrative monetary penalty to the *Person* who has contravened the By-law, in accordance with the *Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law*.
- (2) If a *Person* is required to pay an administrative monetary penalty under section 7.0(1), no fine shall be laid against that same *Person* for the same violation.
- (3) The amount of the administrative monetary penalty for a breach under this By-law is \$750.
- (4) Every *Person* who commits an offence or obstructs an *Enforcement Officer* or authorized agent of the *City* who is in the course of enforcing this By-law or conducting an investigation to do same, is subject to an administrative

monetary penalty on each subsequent day in which the offence continues.

- (5) For greater clarity, the refusal to provide identification when requested to do so by an *Enforcement Officer* is considered obstruction, in accordance with section 426 of the *Municipal Act*, and is an offence under section 7.0(4) of this By-law.
- (6) If an *Order* has been issued under this By-law and the *Order* has not been complied with, the contravention of such *Order* shall be deemed to be a continuing offence for each day, or part of a day, that the *Order* is not complied with, and the *Person* shall be subject to a penalty of \$1,500 for each day or part of a day the offence continues.
- (7) A *Person* who is issued an administrative monetary penalty shall be subject to the procedures provided for in the *Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law*, including the right to request a review of the matter in accordance with the provisions of that By-law.

#### **8.0 Cost Recovery and Unpaid Fines and Penalties**

- (1) The *City's* Treasurer may add any unpaid fine or administrative monetary penalty to the tax roll for any property in the *City* of which all of the owners are responsible for paying a fine or administrative monetary penalty, and may collect it in the same manner as municipal taxes.

#### **9.0 Severability**

- (1) Where a court of competent jurisdiction declares any provision of this By-law to be invalid, or to be not in force, or without effect, it is the intention of the Council in enacting this By-law that the remainder of this By-law shall continue to be in force and applied and enforced in accordance with its terms to the fullest extent possible according to law.

#### **10.0 Conflict with Other *City* By-laws**

- (1) Where there is a conflict or contradiction between this By-law and any other by-law of the *City*, the provisions establishing the more restrictive standard shall prevail.

**11.0 Designated By-law**

- (1) Schedule 1 of the *Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law* is hereby amended by including this By-law as a *Designated By-law*.

**12.0 Force and Effect**

- (1) This By-law shall come into force and effect on the date enacted by Council.

Voted in favour by City of Vaughan Council this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024.

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Steven Del Duca, Mayor

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Todd Coles, City Clerk

**C36.**  
**Communication**  
**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**  
**Item No. 23**

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Proposed by-law regarding hate speech etc  
**Date:** Thursday, June 13, 2024 3:36:15 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bernice Royce [REDACTED]  
Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2024 3:33 PM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External] Proposed by-law regarding hate speech etc

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Thank you in advance for submitting this by - law which is long overdue but admittedly has become more urgent in the past months Most gratefully Bernice Royce

[REDACTED]  
Sent from my iPhone





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**VIA EMAIL: [clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:clerks@vaughan.ca)**

June 13, 2024

Office of the City Clerk  
City of Vaughan  
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive  
Vaughan, ON, L6A 1T1

Attention: Todd Coles, City Clerk

Dear Sirs:

**Re: Intention to Designate 6181 Major Mackenzie Drive West  
*Ontario Heritage Act***

We represent U-Pak Disposals Limited in connection with the above noted property. You issued a notice of intention to designate the property at 6181 Major Mackenzie Drive West pursuant to s. 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*. By letter dated March 26, 2024, our client objected to this intention to designate.

We understand that this matter will be considered by Committee of the Whole on June 18, 2024. We have requested that we be allowed to speak to the matter at that time.

By way of background, this property was significantly impacted by the expropriation of the Major Mackenzie Drive West extension between Highway 27 and Highway 427. As part of this project, the Region of York was required to install a major deep storm sewer through the property on the alignment of a future road known as Finland Drive. The location of Finland Drive is fixed by its intersection with Mayor Mackenzie Drive to the north and old Mayor Mackenzie Drive to the south.

The property intended to be designated as a heritage property is partially located on the Finland Drive right of way, which is owned by the Region. As such, the proposed designation affects both U-Pak and the Region. Once development proceeds on these lands, Finland Drive will become a municipal roadway under the jurisdiction of the City of Vaughan.

It is therefore preferable that the City does not proceed with the designation and allow for the demolition of the structure. Even, if the City does agree to designate the structure, it is clear that it will require relocation, a costly process that may not be warranted by the reasons for the designation.

U-Pak has commissioned a Cultural Heritage Assessment by ATA Architects Inc. dated May 2024. The report at page 87 describes the building in 4 sections from A to D. Only Section A holds any architectural significance, due to its connection with the original McGillivray family.

U-Pak has also commissioned a Structural Condition Assessment report dated May 28, 2024. This report confirms that only Section 1A is worthy of preservation, but would have to be relocated. The report notes (at page 9) that the relocation of masonry buildings is complex and costly, requiring extensive preparatory work. Moreover, a suitable location would have to be found.

Although U-Pak is fully supportive of all efforts by Vaughan to preserve historical buildings, the practical circumstances in this case do not support a designation of any part of the building for the following reasons:

1. The construction of the new Major Mackenzie Drive and the acquisition by the Region of York of Finland Drive for the construction of a deep storm sewer rendered this building obsolete in its present location.
2. The building is partially located on a future Vaughan municipal roadway.
3. Finland Drive is fixed and cannot be realigned.
4. Most of the building has no historical significance.
5. There is no suitable site for the relocation of the front section, which would also require extensive renovation if detached from the rest of the building.
6. The cost of relocation is prohibitive, and would have to be borne by the taxpayers of York Region.

It is suggested that during the demolition process, any significant heritage features could be preserved and incorporated into other structures. We would therefore respectfully request that the City not designate this structure under the Ontario Heritage Act.

We are enclosing herewith, as part of the proposed presentation to Committee of the Whole:

1. The Cultural Heritage Assessment Report dated May 2024.
2. The Structural Condition Assessment Report dated May 28, 2024.
3. Two plans of Finland Drive showing the location of the storm sewer and the structure proposed for demolition.

Yours truly,

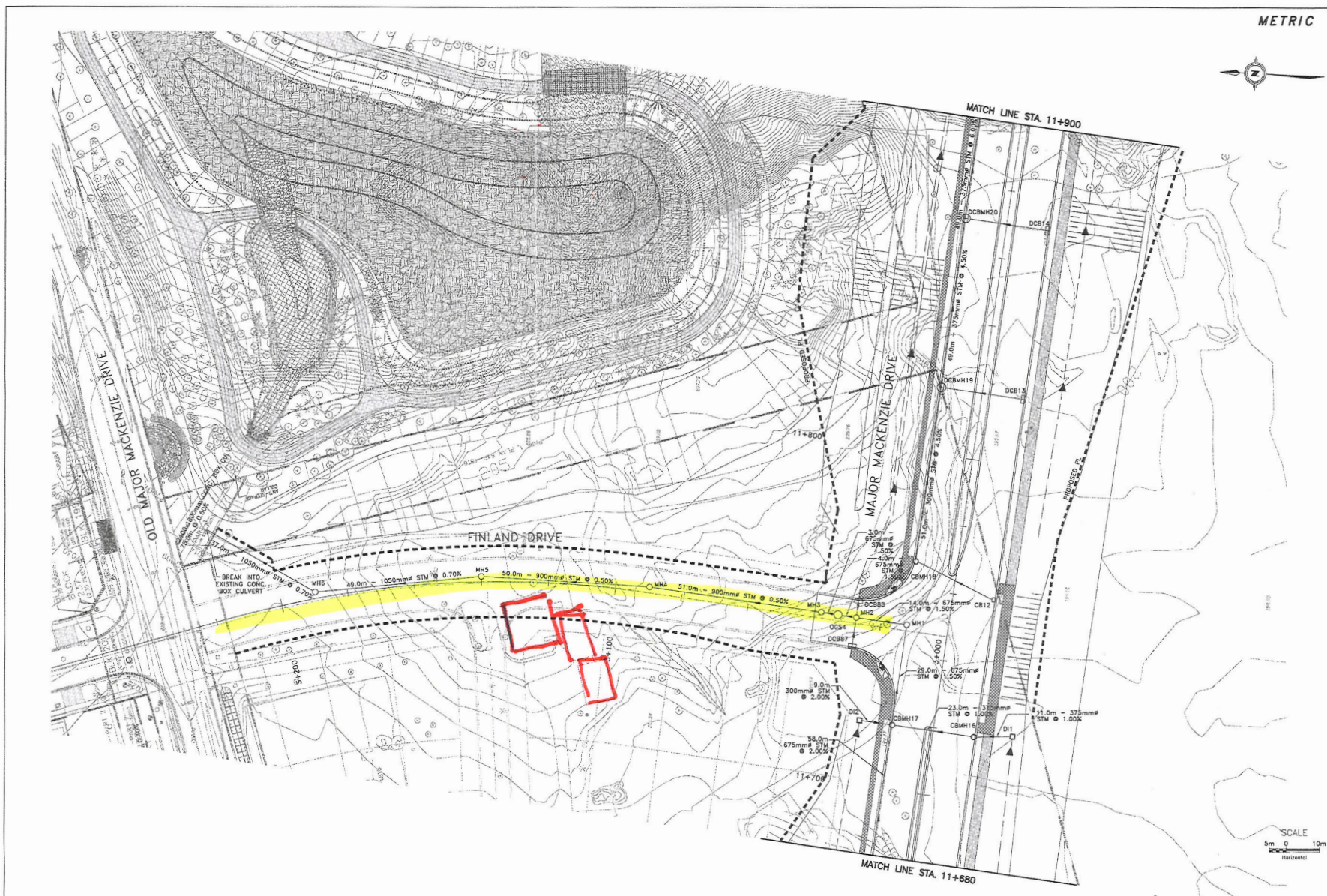
**LOOPSTRA NIXON LLP**



Per: C. M. Loopstra, K.C.

CML/kd  
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METRIC



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**MAJOR MACKENZIE DRIVE  
STORM SEWER - PLAN**

STA. 11+680 TO STA. 11+900

DWG. NO.  
T12-011063  
CONT. NO.  
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SHEET NO.  
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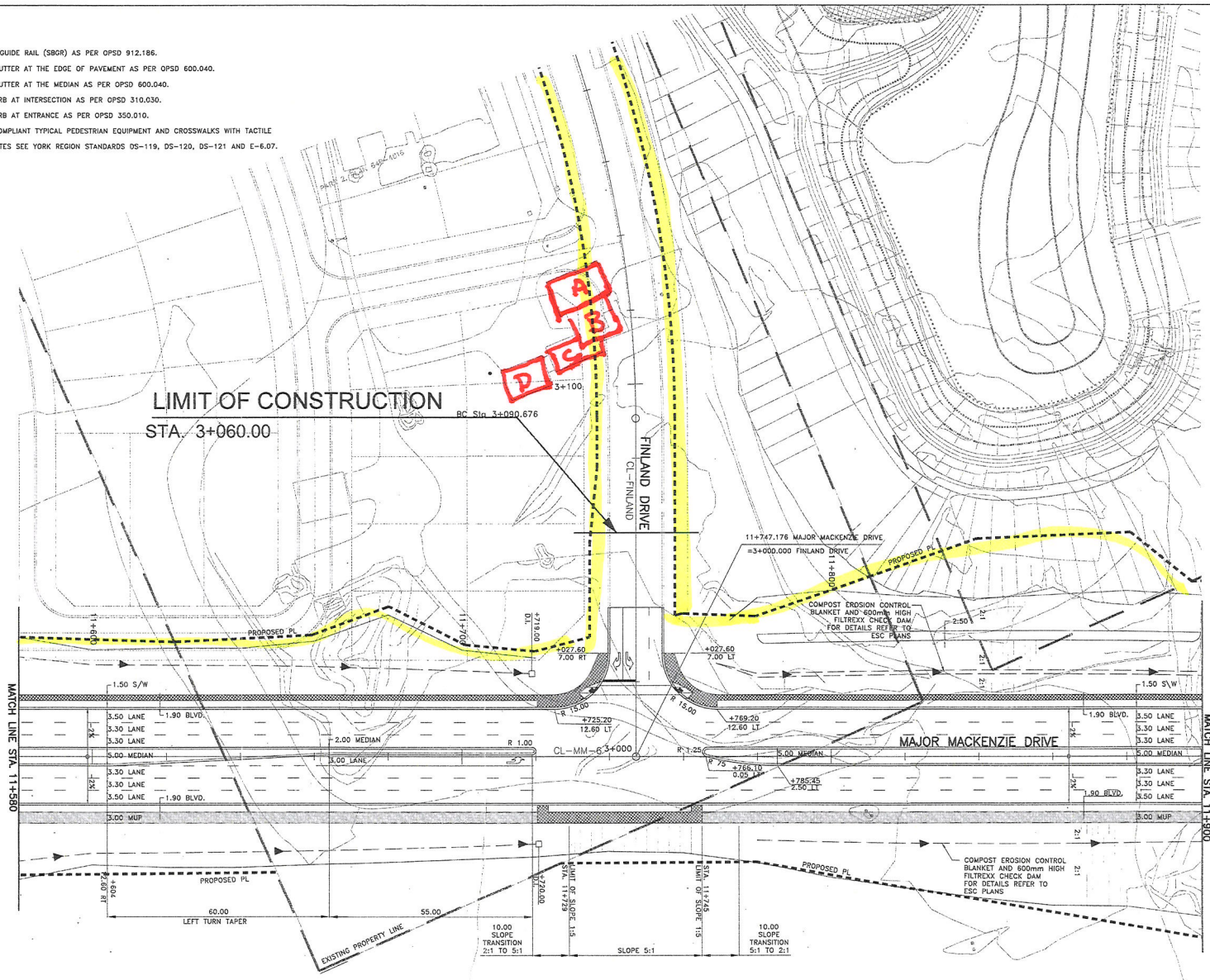


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NOTES:

1. STEEL BEAM GUIDE RAIL (SBGR) AS PER OPSD 912.186.
2. CURB AND GUTTER AT THE EDGE OF PAVEMENT AS PER OPSD 600.040.
3. CURB AND GUTTER AT THE MEDIAN AS PER OPSD 600.040.
4. DROPPED CURB AT INTERSECTION AS PER OPSD 310.030.
5. DROPPED CURB AT ENTRANCE AS PER OPSD 350.010.
6. FOR ADA COMPLIANT TYPICAL PEDESTRIAN EQUIPMENT AND CROSSWALKS WITH TACTILE WARNING PLATES SEE YORK REGION STANDARDS OS-119, DS-120, DS-121 AND E-6.07.



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MAJOR MACKENZIE DRIVE  
**NEW CONSTRUCTION**  
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**Communication**

**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**

**Pres. 1**

# **VAUGHAN, ON** **ENGAGING YOUTH**



**Hello!**

**My name is Wasib Dheendsa.**

# AT A GLANCE

VAUGHAN, ON

Youth Ages 10-24  
make up **20.1%** of  
the total **Vaughan**  
**population.**

That's **1 in 5** people  
in our community.

POPULATION (2021) : 323,103

YOUTH POPULATION (2021) :

AGES 10-14 : 20,970

AGES 15-19 : 22,300

AGES 20-24: 21,695

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# ENGAGEMENT MODELS IN CANADA





# HOW CAN YOUTH BE ENGAGED?

- **Advisory Committees of Council**
  - Focus on engaging youth in development and planning, and Community and Public services, and ensures a youth perspective on ongoing city projects (Sustainable Neighbourhood Action, Community Centre Accessibility Initiatives, etc.).
- **Working Committees of Council**
  - Youth led initiatives (summer youth nights, career fairs, highlighting youth excellence in Vaughan) which could include new committee or youth appointment to existing committees, taking actionable steps to contribute to major future decisions
- **Youth Councillor Appointment**
  - Typically 1 or 2 youth who are appointed to sit alongside Council at the decision making table
- **Volunteer Hours in Return for Engagement**
  - Encourage all departments to promote the availability of volunteer service hours for youth who attend open houses, complete surveys, or participate or attend meetings

# YOUTH ENGAGEMENT IN CANADA

## THE PRIME MINISTER'S YOUTH COUNCIL

An engaged and diverse group of youth from across Canada who provide non-partisan advice to the Prime Minister and the Government of Canada on key issues affecting Youth.

“Almost all government policies and decisions have an impact on young people’s lives and youth have the right to influence these decisions, both individually and collectively.” - Canada’s Youth Policy

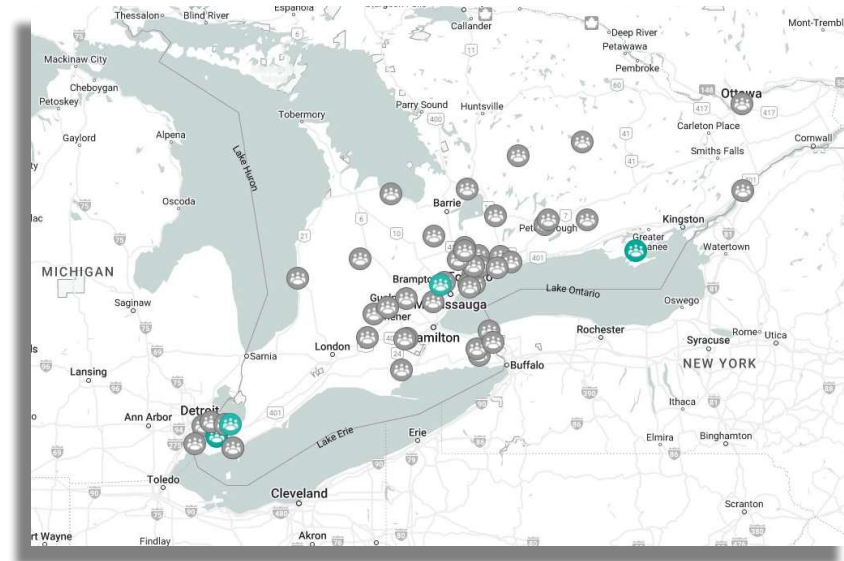


# THERE ARE EXAMPLES ACROSS ONTARIO & CANADA

## EXAMPLES OF MUNICIPAL YOUTH COUNCILS

Toronto Youth Cabinet - Established in 1998, Youth led organization promoting youth participation in municipal affairs and policy development.

Mayor's Youth Action Team Of The Township of King - Established in 2015, young individuals who support and recognize their fellow youth and ensure their voices are heard around the township.



**Council can inform their own youth engagement strategies and committees, based on present needs and priorities.**

**In all cases, Council can choose whether to establish a working budget for the committee or have them act strictly in an advisory capacity.**

# WHAT ABOUT EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING?

- Council could also consider supporting more experiential learning opportunities within the City's various departments
- This can include:
  - Hosting co-op students, interns, apprentices
  - Offering staff to speak to local schools about their work in local government
  - Offering tours of municipal facilities to raise awareness about services, work environments, etc.

63% of people who took a paid experiential learning placement during their post-secondary education found employment after graduation. (*Casabeer, Eger, Waters*) and higher starting wages have been reported due to having relevant work experience and increased knowledge retention from learning in the workplace (*Hoachlander*).

An aerial night photograph of a city skyline. In the foreground, a large parking lot is visible with several cars. A modern, multi-story building with a glass facade and a curved section is illuminated from within. To its right, a tall, slender skyscraper is under construction, with a crane visible at the top. The background shows a cityscape with lights and a sunset sky with orange and blue hues. A semi-transparent grey box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the text "OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION".

# OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

# THE ASK

1. That Council move to appoint a Youth seat in all working committees of council
2. That Council move to create a youth advisory or action committee of Council to support youth engagement and youth informed decision making in the City of Vaughan.



# YOUR COMMITMENT TO YOUTH

- Administrative support for initial recruitment and committee meetings
- Engaging youth at the planning level for various ongoing projects
- Financial support for youth-led initiatives (should council choose to provide a working budget)

## How does Council benefit?

- A Youth Council boosts representation of over 20% of the City population
- Informed advice and decision making through appropriate consultation
- Training the next generation of Vaughan's leaders and public service officials

BUILDING THE FUTURE



An aerial night photograph of a city skyline. The sky is a mix of deep blue and orange from the setting or rising sun. In the foreground, a large parking lot with several cars is visible. A prominent skyscraper is under construction, with a crane at the top and its structure partially illuminated. To its right, a completed modern building with a glass facade and a blue roof is brightly lit. The city lights in the background create a bokeh effect against the dark sky.

**QUESTIONS?**

# Mackenzie Health update

Presentation to Vaughan Council

Altaf Stationwala  
President and CEO, Mackenzie Health  
Tuesday, June 18, 2024

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**Item No. 24**



**Mackenzie  
Health**



# 60th Anniversary



# Mackenzie Health today



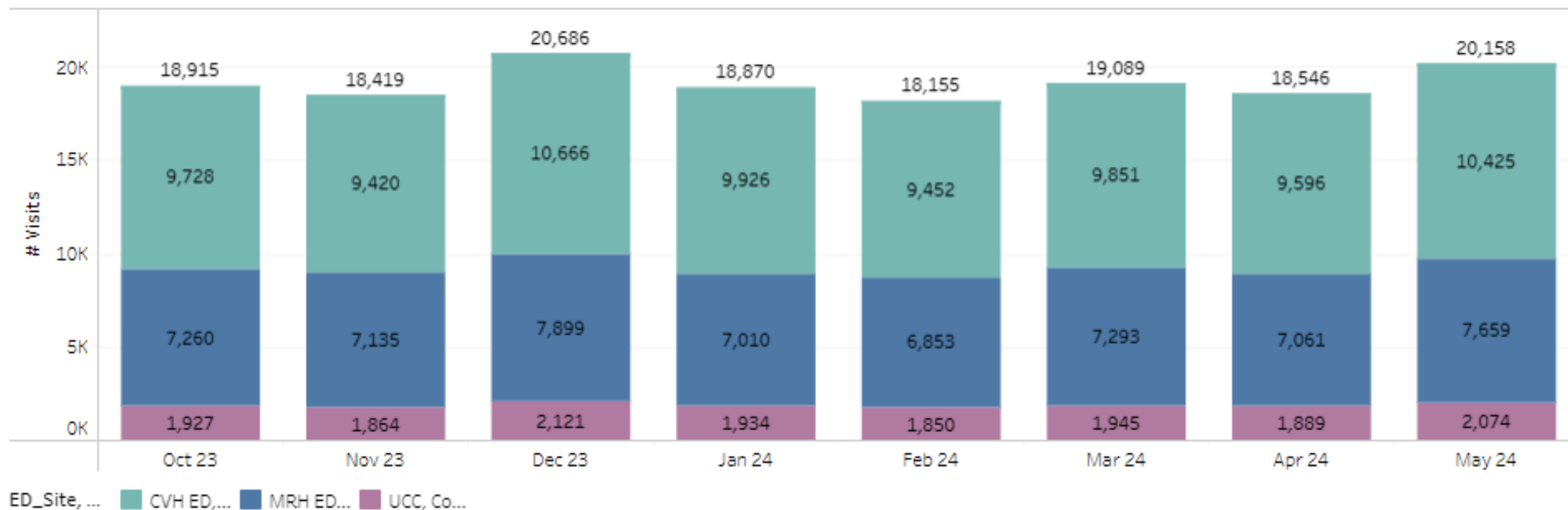


# Financial update



# Hospital operations

## Emergency Department visits: October 2023 to May 2024

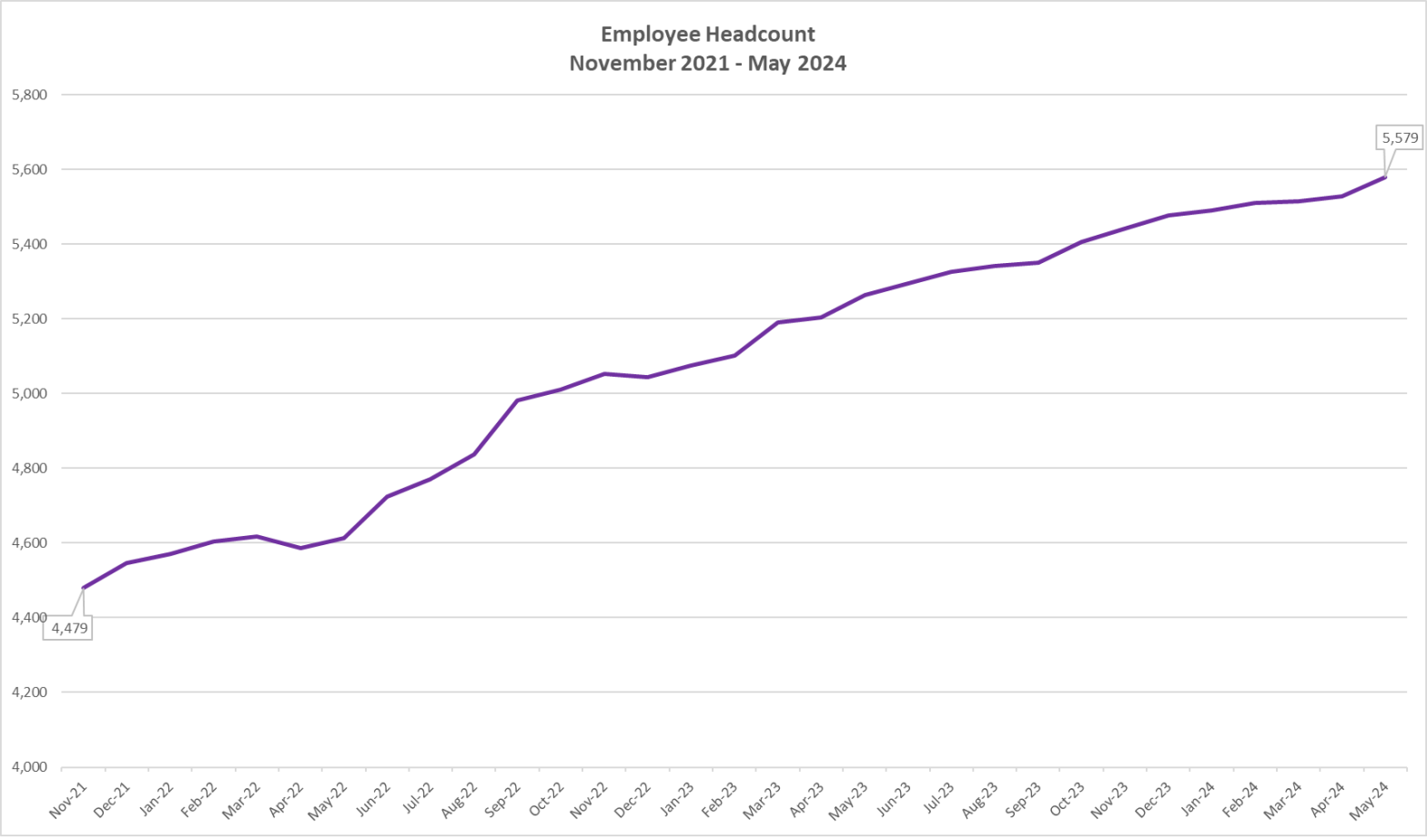




# Strategic Plan progress



# Staffing and recruitment





# Planning for future growth



Mackenzie  
Health

# Growth: Mackenzie Richmond Hill Hospital



# Growth: York University School of Medicine





# Growth: Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct





# Enhancing care through technology

**“I have noticed a decrease in safety reports related to administering IV infusions.”**  
**Sam, Medicine Educator**



**“Staff are embracing the change quickly...”**  
**Deb, Professional Practice**



# Mackenzie Health Foundation

Current and upcoming priorities



1

Updating our strategic plan as we fundraise to support our highest priority needs, post-campaign

2

Stewardship of multi-year donations

3

Building a strong culture of philanthropy

# How you can support



- Open doors for Mackenzie Health Foundation
- Invite someone in your network to volunteer or join one of our committees
- Attend and/or participate in one of our signature events
- Consider Mackenzie Health as a charity of choice to make your annual philanthropic gifts



# Questions





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Communication

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Item No. 23

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] proposed by law  
**Date:** Friday, June 14, 2024 10:13:47 AM

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2024 10:12 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] proposed by law

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Hello Vaughan City council,

Firstly, I strongly applaud your efforts, initiated by Vaughan mayor: Steven Del Duca to put a stop to the sickening and hateful behaviour that is happening on the streets of Vaughan, and all across Canada. I, personally, was at the "demonstrations", which I more aptly refer to as: "hate fests" outside the two Vaughan synagogues on Clarke avenue in March of this year. As a Canadian citizen and psychotherapist, I never believed they could occur in this country and they changed me forever. The roots of this behaviour stem from the horrific events of October 7th that occurred in southern Israel. Since that time, antisemitism has risen to a degree not seen since the end of World War Two and Nazi Germany. If you recall, during that time, six million Jews were murdered solely because they were Jewish. Perhaps you might say to yourselves: "that was 80 years ago; it can't happen again..."? Will I have news for you; Adolf Hitler was democratically elected and, after he was, he slowly set out to destroy the Jewish people, one small act at a time, which eventually culminated in the Holocaust. With the hate we are now seeing on the streets of the city of Vaughan, unless government officials quickly put a stop to this behaviour, it will only get worse. Since October 7th, the world has turned from understanding of and sympathy for the world's Jewish state, which is, of course, the only democracy in the Middle East and a bastion of freedom and hope for the whole world, to vilification of it. And why? Because it is attempting to defend itself from an act of terror, so horrific, it is impossible to describe in words. As elected officials, you have an opportunity here to make a morally-based decision. These opportunities do not come around very often. I implore you to do the right thing and pass this by bylaw, so that, not only your Jewish constituents, but members of all religious faiths in Vaughan communities, are protected with their charter enshrined rights to practice their faiths, free of discrimination and persecution.

Sincerely,

Kevin Zeilig MSW, RSW

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Recent bylaw  
**Date:** Friday, June 14, 2024 9:20:15 AM

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**From:** Lorraine [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** [External] Recent bylaw

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am a member of Beit Rayim Synagogue & School in Vaughan and represent the views of my constituency on the proposed bylaw (attached). I applaud the Vaughan Council for taking this bold step to protect houses of worship, schools, and other vulnerable social infrastructure.

Thank you,

Lorraine | [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[www.lorrainebloomphotography.com](http://www.lorrainebloomphotography.com)

APPRECIATING THE BEAUTY IN THE EVERYDAY

From: [REDACTED]  
To: [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
Subject: [External] Vote YES on the by-law to prohibit nuisance demonstrations within one hundred metres of vulnerable social infrastructure  
Date: Friday, June 14, 2024 8:53:19 AM

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Dear Vaughan City Council Members,

We wholeheartedly **support Mayor Del Duca's proposed by-law to "prohibit nuisance demonstrations within one hundred metres of vulnerable social infrastructure."**

We respectfully ask that you modify Section 4.0,2a to read, "*Section 4.0(1) is not intended to prohibit peaceful gatherings, peaceful protests or peaceful demonstrations, including any such activities that occur as part of a labour union strike.*"

As our elected officials, your duty is to preserve and protect our community. **The Hamas terrorist organization uses what they call the "CNN Strategy" [1] where they pay protesters (e.g., SJP, AMP, CAIR) to spread misinformation, disrupt communities, and chant hateful rhetoric that promotes intimidation, physical harm, murder, and destruction under the subterfuge of social activism [2-5].**

We are furious and sick of seeing our beloved neighbors and community members become targets of this intimidation and bullying.

**History will judge each and every leader who capitulates to it, and future generations will praise leaders who stand against it.**

We want peace in our communities and **protection for our neighbors**. Please **vote for this by-law**.

Hopefully yours,

Cara and Art Altman

References:

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[3] <https://nationalpost.com/opinion/its-urgent-canada-follows-the-money-in-the-anti-israel-protests>

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[5] CAIR is Hamas, how the federal government proved that CAIR is a front for terrorism, Center of Security Policy, 2016



**Committee of the Whole (2)**

**June 18, 2024**

**RE:**

**Item 23 BY-LAW TO PROTECT VAUGHAN'S VULNERABLE  
SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE**

The Office of the City Clerk has received many emails from concerned citizens, forming a petition.

The total number of emails received, as of 12pm on June 14, 2024 are: 1230

Their concerns are outlined as follows:

***"Dear Vaughan City Council Members,***

***We represent concerned citizens who wholeheartedly support Mayor Del Duca's proposed by-law to "prohibit nuisance demonstrations within one hundred metres of vulnerable social infrastructure."***

***To ensure that the intention of this by-law is preserved in its language, we ask that you add several words to Section 4.0,2a to read, "Section 4.0(1) is not intended to prohibit peaceful gatherings, peaceful protests or peaceful demonstrations, including any such activities that occur as part of a labour union strike."***

***As our elected officials, your duty is to preserve and protect our community. Sadly, the Hamas terrorist organization uses what they call the "CNN Strategy" [1] where they pay protesters (e.g., SJP, AMP, CAIR) to spread misinformation, disrupt communities, and chant hateful rhetoric that promotes intimidation, physical harm, murder, and destruction under the subterfuge of social activism [2-5]. We were horrified when a violent mob tried to overtake a Jewish Community Centre in Toronto [6] and when a Muslim high school student violently assaulted a Jewish student in New Brunswick Province [7]. This must stop NOW!***

***We are outraged and tired of seeing our beloved neighbors and community members become targets of this intimidation and bullying.***

***History will judge each and every leader who capitulates to it, and future generations will praise leaders who take a stand against it.***

***We want peace in our communities and protection for our neighbors. Please vote for this by-law.”***

A list of concerned residents is on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

**C44.**  
**Communication**  
**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**  
**Item No. 23**

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] safety bylaw in the community  
**Date:** Friday, June 14, 2024 3:41:56 PM

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**From:** Alan Kaplan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2024 1:40 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] safety bylaw in the community

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To Whom It May Concern:

I am member of Beit Rayim Synagogue & School in Vaughan and I support the [proposed bylaw](#). We applaud the Vaughan Council for taking this bold step to make it safe to enter houses of worship, schools, and other vulnerable social infrastructure.

Thank you,

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Alan Kaplan MD CCFP(EM) FCFP CPC(HC).  
Chair Family Physician Airways Group of Canada  
[www.fpagc.com](http://www.fpagc.com)  
Vice President, Respiratory Effectiveness Group'  
Primary Care Cancer Lead, Central Region, Cancer Care Ontario

**C45.**  
**Communication**  
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**Item No. 23**

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] New Proposed By-Law  
**Date:** Friday, June 14, 2024 3:42:08 PM

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**From:** Jacob Steinberg [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2024 2:33 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] New Proposed By-Law

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Thank you,  
Jacob Steinberg

C46.

Communication

CW(2) – June 18, 2024

Item No. 23

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Proposed new By-Law to prevent disruption.  
**Date:** Friday, June 14, 2024 3:42:18 PM

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-----Original Message-----

From: HENRY PUKIER [REDACTED]  
Sent: Friday, June 14, 2024 2:35 PM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External] Proposed new By-Law to prevent disruption.

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Hello,

I am a member of Beit Rayim Synagogue in Vaughn. I support the proposed new By-Law to prevent disruption at places of worship, schools, and other vulnerable social infrastructures.

I applaud the Vaughn Council for taking this step to make it safe to enter houses of worship, schools, and other vulnerable social infrastructures.

Henry Pukier

Sent from Henry Pukier



**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Prohibiting Protests  
**Date:** Friday, June 14, 2024 3:44:10 PM

**C47.**  
**Communication**  
**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**  
**Item No. 23**

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**From:** Rhoda Madorsky [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2024 2:50 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Prohibiting Protests

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I am writing to express my gratitude for the member's resolution you introduced, calling for a bylaw that prohibits protests which intimidate or incite hatred, intolerance or violence within 100 metres of the city's vulnerable social infrastructure. Your continued work safeguarding our community is greatly appreciated.

I am encouraged that the resolution received the full support of council and look forward to the adoption of the by-law.

Thank you again for your steadfast support and for being a shining light in these dark times. It is my hope that other municipalities, provincial and federal governments, and all politicians follow your lead.

Rhoda Madorsky

**C48.**  
**Communication**  
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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Proposed By-Law  
**Date:** Friday, June 14, 2024 3:44:16 PM

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**From:** Bev Freedman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2024 2:59 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; mayor@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Proposed By-Law

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Thank you,

[REDACTED] Valley Vista Drive  
L6A )Z2

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*Dr. Beverley Freedman OCT*  
*Educational Services Consulting*  
**"Classrooms Count"**

[REDACTED]

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Stop the hate!!!  
**Date:** Friday, June 14, 2024 3:44:23 PM

**C49.**  
**Communication**  
**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**  
**Item No. 23**

**From:** Barb Becker [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2024 3:39 PM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Cc:** Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Stop the hate!!!

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Hello Vaughan City council,  
Firstly, I strongly applaud your efforts, initiated by Vaughan mayor: Steven Del Duca to put a stop to the sickening and hateful behaviour that is happening on the streets of Vaughan, and all across Canada. I, personally, was at the "demonstrations", which I more aptly refer to as: "hate fests" outside the two Vaughan synagogues on Clarke avenue in March of this year. As a Canadian citizen and psychotherapist, I never believed they could occur in this country and they changed me forever. The roots of this behaviour stem from the horrific events of October 7th that occurred in southern Israel. Since that time, antisemitism has risen to a degree not seen since the end of World War Two and Nazi Germany. If you recall, during that time, six million Jews were murdered solely because they were Jewish. Perhaps you might say to yourselves: "that was 80 years ago; it can't happen again..."? Will I have news for you; Adolf Hitler was democratically elected and, after he was, he slowly set out to destroy the Jewish people, one small act at a time, which eventually culminated in the Holocaust. With the hate we are now seeing on the streets of the city of Vaughan, unless government officials quickly put a stop to this behaviour, it will only get worse. Since October 7th, the world has turned from understanding of and sympathy for the world's Jewish state, which is, of course, the only democracy in the Middle East and a bastion of freedom and hope for the whole world, to vilification of it. And why? Because it is attempting to defend itself from an act of terror, so horrific, it is impossible to describe in words. As elected officials, you have an opportunity here to make a morally-based decision. These opportunities do not come around very often. I implore you to do the right thing and pass this by bylaw, so that, not only your Jewish constituents, but members of all religious faiths in Vaughan communities, are protected with their charter enshrined rights to practice their faiths, free of discrimination and persecution.

Sincerely,  
Barb Leonard  
Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Thank you  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 12, 2024 8:58:55 AM

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Thank you for caring about the safety of the minorities in your jurisdiction.

Thank you for acting to protect your Jewish residents by action in council.

Led by your mayor you are a shining example for other politicians on how to act decisively to protect the besieged minorities in the community.

A heartfelt thanks for your actions.  
Heather Shapero.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]  
To: [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
Subject: Re: [External] Thank you.  
Date: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:45:06 PM

C51.  
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Hello Mayor Del Duca and his reading representative,

Thank you so much for sending this proposal and by-law to me.  
I shall read it. I'm moved that you've taken the time to put your money or legal political power where your mouth is, unlike other politicians. Last night I saw a horrible video that occurred after the UJA Walk. It was of a posse of Pro-Hamas Anti-Jewish protesters that surrounded and invaded a local Jewish neighbourhood on Hove St. off of Bathurst St north of Sheppard. I know it's not your hood or area but my point is that they went around verbally getting into whom they thought to be Jewish people's faces calling them baby killers and home stealers. They harassed elderly, handicapped and women, and one who is fuller figured and humiliated her in front of many of their followers. I saw the Toronto Bike police doing nothing on this side street. I don't know what would have happened if I was surrounded by them. I know one thing, and that is, it's not safe anywhere in the world let alone Toronto, to be Jewish anymore. And that's because no one stopped them. YOU are doing something to stop or reduce their boundaries at the very least and that's something powerful. I know it's not the mayor reading this email by the way but whomever is, let it be known, I can be hurt, I bleed, I can be pushed and stumble  
I can be stabbed and shot but I will never be forced on a train to anywhere that isn't of my choosing.  
Not willingly.  
Thank you for trying to help the remaining offspring of Jewish people who are the survivors of those who can no longer speak up.  
PS: These laws you have attempted to enact makes me want to move to Vaughan. I live on Eglinton Ave. West near Spadina. I live in a once restricted apartment building where no Jews were allowed back in the 30's-60's.

Best regards,

Marla Lukofsky  
Comedian/Keynote Speaker/Writer/Actor

Marla Lukofsky  
[REDACTED]

On Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 01:26:17 p.m. EDT, [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca) <[mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)> wrote:

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Please let us know if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Thank you for your attention and participation in making Vaughan a safer, more inclusive community.

Best regards,

Office the Mayor, Steven Del Duca

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**From:** marla lukofsky [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 18, 2024 2:39 PM  
**To:** mayor@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Thank you.

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To Mayor Deluca or whomever is reading this,

I stopped coming into your area, an area i once lived in and enjoyed.

I stopped because I did not feel safe from the constant aggressive protesters that never seem to end. There is no limit to what they can do to harm people and threaten people and shout and name call people. And why? Because No one stops them.

In Toronto proper it's a nightmare. They attack private neighbourhoods and Mt. Sinai Hospital without threat by the Mayor Chow nor the Premiere nor the Prime Minister.

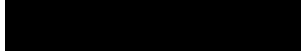
I choose not to leave my home for too long and just go to local drugstores and food stores. I no longer go downtown. I never thought I had to live this way in my lifetime. The middle east battle doesn't even involve Vaughan or Toronto. This has become an insane situation of the 1930's repeating itself. The end result is that

It's just not safe for a Jewish person to live in North America.

But reading today of what you said and did and what your committee voted for, to stand up to this Occupation, is remarkable. All i can say is bless you and your family.

Thank you.

Marla Lukofsky



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**C52.**  
**Communication**  
**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** Re: [External] Urgent Call for Action to address Hate Demonstrations  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:53:24 PM

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Dear Mayor Del Duca,

Thank you for your deep understanding and support for our community's concerns since this event this past fall. You took initiative and took action to make a change since this time and our community is tremendously grateful for this. We are fortunate to live in a city where we feel safe to practice our religion openly and have the luxury of being able to walk our streets at any time of day dressed as Jews without fear of harassment.

Your actions speak louder than words. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Talia Nacson and family  
Thornhill

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Best regards,

Office the Mayor, Steven Del Duca

-----Original Message-----

From: Talia Nacson [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2024 9:13 AM

To: [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca); [michael.kerzner@pc.ola.org](mailto:michael.kerzner@pc.ola.org); [attorneygeneral@ontario.ca](mailto:attorneygeneral@ontario.ca); [dubi.kanengisser@tpsb.ca](mailto:dubi.kanengisser@tpsb.ca); [melissa.lantsman@parl.gc.ca](mailto:melissa.lantsman@parl.gc.ca); [anthony.housefather@parl.gc.ca](mailto:anthony.housefather@parl.gc.ca); [arif.virani@parl.gc.ca](mailto:arif.virani@parl.gc.ca); [marco.mendicino@parl.gc.ca](mailto:marco.mendicino@parl.gc.ca); [laura.smith@pc.ola.org](mailto:laura.smith@pc.ola.org); [Michelle.gillespie@torontopolice.on.ca](mailto:Michelle.gillespie@torontopolice.on.ca); [Officeofthechief@torontopolice.on.ca](mailto:Officeofthechief@torontopolice.on.ca); [myron.demkiw@torontopolice.on.ca](mailto:myron.demkiw@torontopolice.on.ca); [robert.johnson@torontopolice.on.ca](mailto:robert.johnson@torontopolice.on.ca); [lauren.pogue@torontopolice.on.ca](mailto:lauren.pogue@torontopolice.on.ca); [Brian.Moniz@torontopolice.on.ca](mailto:Brian.Moniz@torontopolice.on.ca); [Svina.Dhaliwal@torontopolice.on.ca](mailto:Svina.Dhaliwal@torontopolice.on.ca); [communityservices@yrp.ca](mailto:communityservices@yrp.ca); [doug.fordco@pc.ola.org](mailto:doug.fordco@pc.ola.org); [Mayor\\_chow@toronto.ca](mailto:Mayor_chow@toronto.ca); [Patrick.Sackville@ontario.ca](mailto:Patrick.Sackville@ontario.ca); [justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca](mailto:justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca); [pm@pm.gc.ca](mailto:pm@pm.gc.ca); [melanie.joly@parl.gc.ca](mailto:melanie.joly@parl.gc.ca); [kevin.vuong@parl.gc.ca](mailto:kevin.vuong@parl.gc.ca); [Christian.emond@torontopolice.on.ca](mailto:Christian.emond@torontopolice.on.ca)

Subject: [External] Urgent Call for Action to address Hate Demonstrations

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Honorable Officials,

It has come to our attention that a pro-Palestinian demonstration is scheduled to take place on Thursday, March 7th, in the immediate vicinity of Beth Avraham Yosef Synagogue. The proximity of this event to not only a house of the worship, but also two daycare facilities and a Jewish day school is understandably cause for significant concern and disturbance within the local community. While we respect the fundamental rights to freedom of speech and expression, it is imperative that the City employ all available measures to ensure strict adherence to all applicable bylaws and regulations.

It is imperative that our law enforcement agencies and politicians fulfill their responsibilities to protect the citizens in an equal and just manner. By allowing these hate-filled demonstrations to continue unchecked, we are giving in to intimidation tactics and holding our entire cities subjected to the whims of violent protestors.

It is time for our politicians and police to step up and do what is necessary to ensure the safety and security of all citizens. We cannot allow bullying and intimidation tactics to dictate the course of our society. It is only through firm and decisive action that we can uphold the principles of justice and equality that our nation was founded upon.

Specifically, we would request the following courses of action:

Parking Enforcement: Implement a highly visible enforcement operation, with ample tow trucks and by-law officers, to monitor parking at the Garnet A. Williams Community Centre, Sobey's Plaza, and the apartment building lot adjacent to the synagogue. Any individuals found parking in these lots without legitimate business should have their vehicles tagged and towed promptly. This will inherently limit attendance.

Street Parking Restrictions: Enforce parking prohibitions on city streets unless direct access to an adjacent property is required.

Cost Recovery: Seek reimbursement from the demonstration organizers for all supplemental security and enforcement costs incurred by the City.

Hate Speech Enforcement: Ensure equal application and enforcement of all relevant laws, including those prohibiting hate speech and vilification. The alleged anti-Semitic slurs directed at counter-protestors during last Sunday's event are unacceptable and must be investigated and prosecuted where warranted.

It is our understanding that York Regional Police were regrettably unresponsive to complaints raised during the previous demonstration. We trust measures will be taken to guarantee this does not reoccur, as preserving public trust in law enforcement authorities is paramount.

A highly visible presence of not only police but also local elected officials in attendance would send a powerful message that such hatred and divisiveness have no place in our community. We look forward to your prompt action to ensure the safety and well-being of all residents in the affected area.

We cannot allow ourselves to be manipulated into believing that tolerating hate expressions will somehow quell the violence. On the contrary, it only emboldens those who seek to disrupt the peace and violate the laws of our society.

I urge you to take swift and decisive action to address this issue and ensure that our residential areas remain safe and peaceful for all residents.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Talia Nacson

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** Re: [External] Concerns about events in Thornhill  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:57:48 PM

**C53.**  
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Thank you for your response. I am deeply concerned about the rapid and troubling rise of antisemitism in Canada. I believe it is an extremely serious issue that must be addressed. I applaud you for taking this matter seriously. Although this is a good first step, there is still much more work to be done.

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Best regards,

Office the Mayor, Steven Del Duca

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**From:** Laurence Price [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2024 1:21 AM  
**To:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Concerns about events in Thornhill

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Dear Mayor Steven Del Duca,

I hope this email finds you well. I am writing to you as a concerned citizen living in your riding of Thornhill, which has a sizeable Jewish community. Recent developments in the conflict between Israel and Palestine have sparked numerous protests throughout Toronto and Canada. While I understand and respect the importance of free speech and the right to demonstrate peacefully, I am alarmed by the growing anti-Semitism and criminal behaviour evident at these events.

The protests, originally intended to express solidarity with Palestine, have unfortunately taken an anti-Semitic turn, featuring vandalism, threatening language, and intimidation, particularly against Jewish individuals and communities. This level of hateful public discourse is not only disturbing but also dangerous, as it fosters a climate of fear and hostility.

I believe this rhetoric crosses the line into incitement to violence against Jews, and it is disheartening to see the lax response of law enforcement to such serious issues. The defacement of property, intimidation towards Jewish-owned businesses, and other such behaviours I have witnessed at these protests go beyond the realm of free speech and enter a domain that necessitates legal intervention. Much of this is being caught on camera, and nothing is being done.

I am profoundly alarmed by the possible intensification of violence if the prevailing wave of anti-Semitism persists without intervention. It's disconcerting to contemplate what it would take to prompt a more assertive law enforcement reaction. Would it require the murder of a Jew or a bombing at a synagogue causing numerous fatalities? It is a real possibility that this could happen.

I drove by the protest in your riding which took place on Sunday March 3, which is a few minutes away from my neighbourhood in Thornhill on Clarke, in front of the Reena Foundation for people with developmental disabilities, where I volunteer once a week. I did this to see the protests for myself, as I refuse to be intimidated by them. I have seen the vile antisemitic rhetoric from clips on social media that took place at the protests as

well. There has since been an even bigger, boisterous and violent protest Thursday March 7. The protestors were on residential property, committing assault, and involved in other illegal acts. This was not a peaceful protest. All of this is on social media. You can see who is committing the crimes and did not face arrests.

I would like to believe that composing this email would resolve all issues, but unfortunately, it will not. The situation is getting worse and not improving and is deteriorating rapidly. Members of the Jewish community no longer feel safe and indeed are not safe in Thornhill. Please understand that the strategies currently employed to ensure the safety of the Jewish community are not effective. It is crucial that current approaches be thoroughly reevaluated and revised.

As a concerned citizen who voted for you, these protests must stop.

Mayor Steven Del Duca you and law enforcement must do more to protect Jews from violence and hate.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing your perspective on this critical issue and the steps you plan to take to address these concerns.

Sincerely,

Laurence Price [REDACTED] Robinwood Trail, Thornhill, [REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** Re: [External] Antisemitism  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:59:44 PM

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Thanks for acknowledgment of my email. . I'm not good at presenting my case to the others because I'm a good soldier but not a leader . Please know that I have a huge network of friends and acquaintances are we love see you stand up . For us We find the actions of mayor chow towards the Jewish community to be shameful. I assure her we aren't going anywhere . Thank you for everything and our support will come in handy .

On Tue, Jun 11, 2024 at 1:03 PM [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca) <[mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)> wrote:

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inclusive community.

Best regards,

Office the Mayor, Steven Del Duca

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**From:** Randy Hebscher [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 18, 2024 4:55 PM  
**To:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Antisemitism

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Thank you for stepping up and going against the haters . You have my support and I own property in Vaughn. GRATEFUL

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To: [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
Subject: Re: [External] Urgent Call for Action to address Hate Demonstrations  
Date: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 3:33:31 PM

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Our sincere gratitude for your understanding and leadership

Best wishes

Sean FitzGerald C.Mgr., FCMI  
Chartered Manager(CAN)  
Fellow Chartered Manager(UK)

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Best regards,

Office the Mayor, Steven Del Duca

**From:** Sean FitzGerald [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Friday, March 8, 2024 7:20 AM

**To:** mayor@vaughan.ca; michael.kerzner@pc.ola.org; attorneygeneral@ontario.ca; dubi.kanengisser@tpsb.ca; melissa.lantsman@parl.gc.ca; anthony.housefather@parl.gc.ca; arif.virani@parl.gc.ca; marco.mendicino@parl.gc.ca; laura.smith@pc.ola.org; Michelle.gillespie@torontopolice.on.ca; Officeofthechief@torontopolice.on.ca; myron.demkiw@torontopolice.on.ca; robert.johnson@torontopolice.on.ca; lauren.pogue@torontopolice.on.ca; Brian.Moniz@torontopolice.on.ca; Svina.Dhaliwal@torontopolice.on.ca; communityservices@yrp.ca; doug.fordco@pc.ola.org; Mayor\_chow@toronto.ca; Patrick.Sackville@ontario.ca; justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca; pm@pm.gc.ca; melanie.joly@parl.gc.ca; kevin.vuong@parl.gc.ca; Christian.emond@torontopolice.on.ca

**Subject:** [External] Urgent Call for Action to address Hate Demonstrations

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**To:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** Re: [External] Urgent Call for Action to address Hate Demonstrations  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 9:52:36 PM

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Thank you Mayor for this proposed new by-law. We appreciate your office taking action.

Michelle

Sent from my iPhone

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-----Original Message-----

From: Gmail Madaniels33 [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2024 12:29 PM

To: mayor@vaughan.ca; michael.kerzner@pc.ola.org; attorneygeneral@ontario.ca; dubi.kanengisser@tpsb.ca; melissa.lantsman@parl.gc.ca; anthony.housefather@parl.gc.ca; arif.virani@parl.gc.ca; marco.mendicino@parl.gc.ca; laura.smith@pc.ola.org; Michelle.gillespie@torontopolice.on.ca; Officeofthechief@torontopolice.on.ca; myron.demkiw@torontopolice.on.ca; robert.johnson@torontopolice.on.ca; lauren.pogue@torontopolice.on.ca; Brian.Moniz@torontopolice.on.ca; Svina.Dhaliwal@torontopolice.on.ca; communityservices@yrp.ca; doug.fordco@pc.ola.org; Mayor\_chow@toronto.ca; Patrick.Sackville@ontario.ca; justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca; pm@pm.gc.ca; melanie.joly@parl.gc.ca; kevin.vuong@parl.gc.ca; Christian.emond@torontopolice.on.ca

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From: [REDACTED]  
To: [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
Subject: Re: [External] Démonstrations  
Date: Friday, June 14, 2024 11:26:11 AM

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To Mayor De Lucas

I appreciate receiving the By-Laws, I totally agree with these resolutions. The people we are dealing with nowadays are demonstrators under the leadership of professionals who are paid by some rich countries, fines don't hurt them! Nothing scares them! In the first place these malevolent individuals should have never entered our beautiful (previously) safe country! if they want to achieve something send them to Gaza to fight the cause they love so much!! This would scare them! They prefer to create havoc in democratic countries!  
You have taken some great measures but we are dealing with brainwashed monsters!!!  
Thank you again for sharing the new by-laws.  
Yvonne Azuelos

Sent from my iPhone

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Office the Mayor, Steven Del Duca

-----Original Message-----

From: Yvonne Azuelos [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2024 11:27 PM

To: mayor@vaughan.ca

Subject: [External] Démonstrations

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Dear Mayor De Luca,

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Sincerely

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: [External] Gratitude and Peace of Mind  
**Date:** Friday, June 14, 2024 11:56:45 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
[image002.png](#)  
[image003.png](#)  
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Thank you, Mayor! This is WONDERFUL news, thank you SO much! May your leadership, intelligence, courage, and faith in the time honoured institutions of civilized life, continue to influence all those in your sphere of influence and beyond. I am VERY gratified. Thank you! (I am copying one of our premiere community liaisons on my message).

*Arnie Gotfryd, PhD*

Educational Director & CEO

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On Tue, Jun 11, 2024 at 11:19 AM [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca) <[mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)> wrote:

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Office the Mayor, Steven Del Duca

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**From:** Arnie Gotfryd [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 9, 2024 1:19 PM  
**To:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** Re: [External] Gratitude and Peace of Mind

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Thank you Francesca. Please let me know if I can be of service to Mayor Del Duca in any way.

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On Thu, May 9, 2024 at 12:05 PM [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca) <[mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)> wrote:

Hi Arnie,

On behalf of Mayor Del Duca, thank you for your kind words. I will be sure to share them with the Mayor.

Best,

**Francesca Cesario**

**Special Assistant to Mayor Steven Del Duca**

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**From:** Arnie Gotfryd   
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 8, 2024 8:07 PM  
**To:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Gratitude and Peace of Mind

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Dear Mayor,

In my 68 years of life, this is only the third letter of appreciation I have ever written to an elected official.

In my tradition, the Sages of old said, "Words that come from the heart enter the heart", so I know you will resonate with my words, few though they are.

In a world, a country, and a province, that has increasingly lost its common sense and moral compass, and whose social fabric is fraying rapidly, your proclaimed resolution today was an absolutely unexpected breath of fresh air and hope.

I recognized in your words, your deep sense of conviction, as well as your courage in

leadership, knowing that uncommon times demand uncommon responses.

I, together with what I believe is the vast silent majority of the residents of the City of Vaughan, salute you and celebrate your resolution as a great beginning for a reversal in the course our society has taken.

I pray for your health, your success in all your endeavours, and that your sphere of influence should only expand as you galvanize your constituents to respect our common values and the laws, policies and institutions that you are commandeering to protect them so valiantly.

Thank you for your efforts and for the Peace of Mind you have engendered by these constructive steps.

With respect and admiration I remain yours sincerely,

*Arnie Gotfryd, PhD*

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**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Community security by-law  
**Date:** Saturday, June 15, 2024 11:59:22 AM

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I am very pleased to hear that the Vaughan Council unanimously passed Mayor Del Duca's member's resolution to develop a by-law aimed at protecting Vaughan's places of worship, schools, childcare facilities and hospitals from protests that intimidate, or incite hatred, intolerance and violence. I have been a resident of Vaughan for the past 33 years and always felt safe in my community, until March when I witnessed the masked protesters on Clark Avenue.

Having read the proposed by-law, I would like to see that the protests are unequivocally not permitted within 100 meters of these institutions. I would also like to see that the protesters would not be permitted on residential streets or be permitted to block roadways. On vital thoroughfares in Toronto, in residential neighbourhoods, and at the U of T encampments, I have seen supposedly "peaceful" protests embody menacing, intimidating and malicious rhetoric, yet be fully condoned. Cynically it seems as if the very core values of democracy are being corrupted to propagate hate.

I thank-you for your leadership and initiative in addressing this significant issue and I look forward to the implementation of this by-law.

Sincerely,

Shari Braham

**From:** [Saleh Yacoub](#)  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Request  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 1:03:17 AM

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Hello,

It has come to my attention that there have been a request to penalize protesting in the City of Vaughan. As a resident in Vaughan, I would like to say that I have never attended any protests, but this is absolutely unacceptable and disgusting. I understand that the majority of the governing personnel at the City of Vaughan are pro-Israel, but it is absolutely shocking that one of the rights of every Canadian citizen, protesting, is being "limited". Any person in Canada can protest anywhere and over anything they want. I do not support either side but this is an embarrassment to every Canadian citizen and everything our ancestors fought for. We fought for freedom and lost lives over protecting our freedom. I am not asking you to ban Pro or anti Israel. Keep both sides. This is Canada and these are the rights of every Canadian. Do not act clever but trying to play with these rights because it is obvious what is being attempted here. It is not clever, it is truly concerning. What other rights will you try to limit. Please reconsider this decision and leave the protesters of all sides alone. If people wish to protest in front of a church, synagogue or mosque, then THEY ARE FREE TO DO SO as long as they are not breaking into the actual property. I saw protesters of both sides protesting across the street, not inside the actual holy site. This is completely allowed under our rights. DO NOT ACT CLEVER.

Regards,  
A concerned citizen of Thornhill

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] By law to limit demonstrations at schools  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 5:02:42 PM

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Hi

I am writing in support of the initiative to try to pass a by-law in Vaughan that would limit demonstrations in front of certain institutions such as places of worship, schools, and hospitals. I hope with all my heart that this passes and thank you for your support!

Liora sturm

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca); [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Demonstrating near schools and places of worship  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 5:04:15 PM

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I would ask that you vote in favour of the motion to ban demonstrations near schools and places of worship. The recent protests near a synagogue and my son's school was extremely scary for him. I appreciate everyone's right to vote but in a peaceful manner that is not intimidating for children  
Regards Trevor

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] By law to restrict protests outside institutions  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 5:06:46 PM

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To whom it may concern, I wanted to send a letter of support to let you know that we are in great favour to have schools, hospitals, and places of worship place in a safety zone where protesters can't come near. Earlier in the year, our school had to be shut down due to protest, and as he can imagine as a great disruption to both parents lives as well as kids. It has been a long time coming and I hope it is pass and finalized that we should no longer fear sending our kids to school or to access hospitals. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Thornhill resident

Inna

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] In support of Mayor Del Duca's new by-law  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 5:43:23 PM

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Re. <https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/vaughan-to-consider-by-law-that-prohibits-protests-within-100-metres-of-places-of-worship-1.6811758>

Hi Staff @ City of Vaughan,

I'm in full support of Mayor Del Duca's proposal of a new by-law in Vaughan that prohibits demonstrations in front of places like schools, hospitals, synagogues, churches, etc.

Kindly ensure my voice of support is counted at your committee meeting on June 18.

Appreciate your help.

Belinda Cheung  
Resident of Vaughan, L4J 2Y9

**C65.**  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Vaughan By-Law to Restrict Protests within 100 Meters of Schools, Hospitals and Places of Worship.  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 6:00:41 PM

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I'm writing to share my support for the Vaughan By-Law to Restrict Protests within 100 Meters of Schools, Hospitals and Places of Worship. My children's school (Eitz Chaim) had to close early at the beginning of March, to protect the children from protests happening near by. This should not have happened and should never happen again. Please show your support for children of all faiths by passing this by-law to protect them and limit disruption to their schooling.

Thank you,  
Avie Herman



C66.  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Support of By-Law to Restrict Protests within 100 Meters of Schools, Hospitals and Worship  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 6:13:48 PM

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing this email as a Vaughan resident and tax payer in support of the proposed Vaughan By-Law to Restrict Protests within 100 Meters of Schools, Hospitals and Places of Worship.

These attempts at eroding the peace and order of our cities is becoming a stain on the elected officials and law enforcement for their inability to contain them and I hope that such a by law will serve set firm boundaries in society so that these sinister attempts at disturbing the peace do not metastasize into more aggressive or violent demonstrations.

Reu Ben

C67.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] By-Law to limit demonstrations in front of certain institutions  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 8:40:46 PM

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I am writing to show my support for Mayor Del Duca for his proposed by-law in Vaughan that would limit demonstrations in front of certain institutions such as places of worship, schools, and hospitals.

Thank you,

David Fenig

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**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] In support of the 100 metre protest by law  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 9:45:20 PM

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Dear City of Vaughan,

I write to you in support of the by law to prohibit protests within 100 metres of houses of worship. As a clerical leader (Rabbi) as well as a teacher in a school in Vaughan, and a parent of children who attend schools in Vaughan- this by law is long overdue, and much needed. Our citizens have been traumatized. Our collective history has had far too many individuals target our law abiding youngsters and citizens attending worship services and communal events- and attending school! Choosing houses of worship to protest, violently so, with tactics aimed at intimidating the vulnerable is abhorrent. As a city, we must collectively work together to maintain order, and prevent the intimidation of our citizens by Palestinian supporters aimed at harming our peace and sense of security as we live our free lives in Vaughan. Today it is pro Palestinians set on intimidating worshipers, but tomorrow, it may be someone else, inching in on the house of worship of someone else in Vaughan. How critical, how historic is this time and place, to And for this, it is so important that we have this by law in effect, so that our children, and community can continue to thrive peacefully, and that our communities maintain that ever so important inherent respect, and honour for those houses of worship that make up our cultural richness.

This past March, we witnessed a notorious day in our history. One that saw hundreds of students purposefully intimidated. Hundreds of masked, angry, megaphone yielding individuals slandering, jeering and mocking our religious and cultural beliefs in front of our own house of Worship. As you know, Vaughan is home to one of the largest synagogue centres in the world- the BAYT, which itself brought development and robust community to an otherwise undeveloped Spring Farm. It is on the sidewalk right in front of that building and community worship centre, that throngs of individuals stood for hours trying to intimidate our way of life, in our own community. How beneficial would it be to prevent such heinous acts hatred from occurring again. How beneficial for our children to know, that right here in Vaughan, we made history, and took a stand to shoulder and protect our houses of worship, and the people that make them so important.

I send my most sincere wishes for the by law to be successfully implemented as soon as possible, and others in its spirit. I commend Mayor Del Duca for his leadership in this monumental gesture of humanity and community spirit.

Thank you,

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Sincerely,  
Rabbi C.R. Kohn, OCT, B.A., B.Ed., M.Ed.  
Grade 5 Rebbe

Special Education and Resource Teacher  
Yeshivas Eitz Chaim



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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [External] Vaughan By-Law to Restrict Protests within 100 Meters of Schools, Hospitals and Places of Worship  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 9:57:58 PM

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To Whom It May Concern,

As parents of a child in a Jewish Day School in Vaughn, we wholeheartedly support this by-law and are in favor of the council passing it. Our son, together with hundreds, if not thousands of other pre-school and elementary school age children, have had their world turned upside down since October 7th. Protests which seek to not only minimize their feelings but whose purpose is to traumatize and frighten the entire community have no place in our society, yet alone near a school, place of worship or hospital. All of these centres are critical to our community and all people, especially children, should be able to attend or visit any of these institutions free from fear.

I appreciate the council raising this matter and sincerely hope the motion will be passed in favour of restricting protests close to these institutions.

Sincerely,  
Bezalel and Hadassah Lebovic

**C70.**  
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [External] Support for ByLaw to Restrict Protests to beyond 100 metres from Schools, hospitals and places of worship  
**Date:** Sunday, June 16, 2024 11:01:23 PM

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Honorable Councillors,

Please hear my voice, on behalf of my family, that we ask you to vote for this Bylaw to Restrict Protests to beyond 100 metres from Schools, hospitals and places of worship.

Twice in the past several months a large group of people set up loud speakers in front of 2 different synagogues in my general area. During that time, for hours, they chanted antisemitic slurs, and generally hateful comments, while banging on drums. This could be heard from my house which is a 15 and 30 minute walk away from each of those locations.

On other occasions my child's school had to close early due to the anticipation of more protests happening in the area, not to mention the increased need for police and security at our religious schools.

While I personally don't believe that simply forbidding such protests within 100 meters of the said types of locations is enough to actually deal with this problem, it's the least we can do as a city.

Please, we hope to see your vote in favour of this Bylaw, and, beyond that, we hope to see a full stop to such hateful activity at all.

As a resident of Vaughan, respectfully,

Tallie Rabin, MEd

Direct: [REDACTED]

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] new proposed by law  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2024 9:57:05 AM

**C71.**  
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**From:** Tannenbaum [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 17, 2024 9:55 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Cc:** Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] new proposed by law

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Good day.

I would like to thank the city of Vaughan for introducing this new by law to protect places of worship from protestors.

We appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

Sidney Tannenbaum



**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [External]  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2024 8:11:26 AM

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**C72.**  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Gila Rabin [REDACTED]  
Sent: Sunday, June 16, 2024 11:49 PM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca  
Subject: [External]

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We support.  
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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](#)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] protests  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2024 8:11:44 AM

**C73.**  
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**From:** nzuchter [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 17, 2024 12:19 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] protests

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To whom this may concern,  
We are glad that you take this matter of hateful protests seriously. We greatly appreciate that you will put a law in place to prohibit these protests from happening near our synagogues, schools, and hospitals. We need to feel safe, and our kids need to have regular education and not be dismissed early for the fear of the mob attacking us because of their desire to annihilate our nation. There should really be no place for pro-palestine protests in Toronto as they are hateful.  
Thank you,  
N. Zuchter

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Support for proposed by-law being discussed tomorrow  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2024 8:14:21 AM

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**From:** nancy farajun [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 17, 2024 7:14 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Support for proposed by-law being discussed tomorrow

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Dear Vaughan Council,

I support the proposed by-law in Vaughan being discussed tomorrow to not allow protests within 100 meters from places of worship and schools. The spring protest in Thornhill in front of the BAYT caused an entire neighborhood disruption including unnecessary early dismissal from schools for safety of the students . This protest was threatening in our own backyards literally . One of my friends had protestors come right to his home in a very aggressive manner .

Everyone has the right to freedom of speech but not in neighborhoods and private property ,which I believe includes the encampments ) that causes disruption of life . Thank you for your time and efforts, and I hope other areas of the city will follow suite .  
Best ,

Nancy Moritz-Farajun  
BA/MA, OT Reg . (Ont)  
COTO #G0104720  
Occupational Therapist

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Vaughan By-Law to Restrict Protests within 100 Meters of Schools, Hospitals and Places of Worship  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2024 8:34:12 AM

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**From:** Steven Grossman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 17, 2024 8:33 AM  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Subject:** [External] Vaughan By-Law to Restrict Protests within 100 Meters of Schools, Hospitals and Places of Worship

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed by-law by Mayor Del Duca to restrict protests within 100 meters of Schools, Hospitals etc. On March 7th Palestinian agitators gathered outside the BAYT synagogue and forced our school (Eitz Chaim Schools) to have an early dismissal. Hateful speech, intimidation and violence were prominent in this anti-Israel protest as they always are. No one should have to be exposed to this, especially our children. We want and need to feel safe in our community and this by-law will go along way to ensure it. I commend Mayor Del Duca for its proposal. Please consider passing this by law immediately. We need Vaughan to be safe again and free of hate protests. The community has been under constant attack since Oct. 7, please make our safety your priority.

Thank you,  
Steven Grossman

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Anti-Israel Demonstrators Encroach on Jewish Community Institutions  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2024 9:08:54 AM  
**Attachments:** [Vaughan By-Law to Protect Vaughan's Vulnerable Social Infrastructure June 18 2024.docx](#)

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**From:** Mendy Finkelstein [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 17, 2024 9:03 AM  
**To:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Council@vaughan.ca](mailto:Council@vaughan.ca)  
**Cc:** Mendy Finkelstein [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** [External] Anti-Israel Demonstrators Encroach on Jewish Community Institutions

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Hi.

I have already registered to speak at the Committee of the Whole (2) tomorrow June 18. Thank you for your invitation, as per the note below.

In addition to my speaking, I've attached a WORD copy of my talk which centres around the proposed "By-Law to Protect Vaughan's Vulnerable Social Infrastructure."

As you can imagine, there's much to say. I've condensed my original, but it still takes 8-9 minutes to talk. I appreciate that the Committee will allow me that time.

Regards.

Martin (Mendy) Finkelstein  
[REDACTED] Promenade Circle  
Thornhill, On.  
L4J 9A4  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Mendy Finkelstein [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2024 3:05 PM  
**To:** Mendy Finkelstein [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: FW: [External] Anti-Israel Demonstrators Encroach on Jewish Community Institutions

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**From:** [mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca) <[mayor@vaughan.ca](mailto:mayor@vaughan.ca)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 11, 2024 2:18 PM  
**To:** Mendy Finkelstein [REDACTED]

**Subject:** RE: [External] Anti-Israel Demonstrators Encroach on Jewish Community Institutions

Good afternoon,

Thank you for previously contacting the Mayor's Office regarding your concerns about community safety.

We are happy to provide you with this important update.

During the May 22, 2024 Council meeting, Vaughan Council unanimously passed Mayor Del Duca's [Member's Resolution](#), which directs City staff to develop a by-law aimed at protecting Vaughan's places of worship, schools, childcare facilities, and hospital from protests that intimidate, or incite hatred, intolerance, and violence.

I am pleased to inform you that City staff have since developed the proposed by-law, which will be presented to City Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting scheduled for June 18th, 2024.

To read the proposed by-law, [click here](#).

**It would be very helpful if you would please consider sharing your opinion regarding this initiative with all Members of Council and our City Clerk.**

To submit a written communication on the proposed by-law, please send an email to [clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:clerks@vaughan.ca) and [council@vaughan.ca](mailto:council@vaughan.ca). The deadline for submitting written communications is noon on June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

If you'd like to make a deputation (which can be done in person or virtually) regarding the proposed by-law at the Committee of the Whole meeting, you can do so by pre-registering by completing the [online form here](#) or calling Service Vaughan at 905-832-2281. Deadline to register for a deputation is noon on June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024.



Please let us know if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Thank you for your attention and participation in making Vaughan a safer, more inclusive community.

Best regards,

Office the Mayor, Steven Del Duca

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**From:** Mendy Finkelstein [REDACTED]  
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Dear Melissa.

**After my short note here, please read the letter from the Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Centre for Holocaust Studies written yesterday March 8<sup>th</sup>.**

I know you are doing your best as a politician and influencer at the Federal level. But apparently, there are not many like you, or these anti-Israel, anti-Semitic protests would have been banned a while ago, and Canada would not be the first of the G7 countries to restart the funding of ONRWA.

If you asked any of the few remaining Holocaust survivors about what is going on in Toronto (GTA), Montreal, or any large city in Canada, they would say, "Just like Germany in the 1930s." It starts innocently enough; if not checked, it will continue to expand and get ugly.

**Enough is enough.** These demonstrations must be stopped, and not just within 50m

of a Jewish institution, as the letter below suggests, but everywhere. Otherwise, fighting on our streets might begin because we are sick and tired of listening to the lies and extreme Jew-hatred coming from a bunch of thugs (many non-Canadians and the rest brainwashed) and ignoramuses. It's not enough to have the police stand between them and us while they chant in their own sign language and symbolisms, destroy Israel and kill the Jews. As those Holocaust survivors would say without hesitation: "It starts with angry words..." And, of course, we have all heard the saying, based on historical experience: "First they came for the Jews..."

As you can see I've cc'd some of the relevant politicians in the municipal and provincial levels. I'm sure all are concerned and realize that without government intervention, these rallies and "protests" will continue and, in all likelihood, get worse. All politicians who care for our great country must stop this anti-Semitic disease now. The pro-Hamas crowd is laughing at us.

Best regards,

Martin (Mendy) Finkelstein

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A Note from Michael Levitt---Mar 8, 2024

(Friends of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre for Holocaust Studies)

### **Anti-Israel Demonstrators Encroach on Jewish Community Institutions**

In the aftermath of the October 7 Hamas atrocities, anti-Israel demonstrators in Canada have repeatedly taken to the streets, malls and government buildings to spew hateful rhetoric demonizing the Jewish state and people. They've been anything but bashful in advocating the destruction of Israel, whether it be in strident, inflammatory calls for an intifada or "From the river to the sea" chants. But their actions this past week represent an alarming new development with serious potential ramifications for the Jewish community and Canadian society at large.

It began on Sunday in the suburb of Thornhill north of Toronto when dozens of demonstrators gathered outside the Aish Thornhill Community Shul, where a presentation on Israeli real estate was being held. While waving Palestinian flags and holding signs proclaiming "Danger due to Zionism"

and "Israel is a terrorist state," they chanted "Intifada revolution" and "Palestine is not for sale." Similar events took place outside the nearby BAYT synagogue, first with a small demonstration on Wednesday, which included an individual harassing the rabbi and a banner declaring "synagogues complicit in Palestinian ethnic cleansing." That was followed by a large demonstration outside the same synagogue yesterday, during which anti-Israel protesters chanted for intifada and "Zionism is terrorism," among many other chants. It was met with a large police presence, standing in between the protesters and counter-protesters.

Montreal was also the site of several hateful demonstrations this week. Outside the building that houses Federation CJA and the Montreal Holocaust Museum, protesters aggressively harassed Jewish community members, preventing them from entering or exiting the building while chanting, "Settlers, settlers, go back home, Palestine is our home... Palestine is ours alone." Even more vile was the antisemitic rhetoric spewed at a group of Jews outside a synagogue in Montreal. "You only know how to steal," "Just like in the past, you guys can't make it past 80 years" and, translated from Arabic to English, "We don't want to see a single Zionist" are just some of the hate-fueled words used to delegitimize the state of Israel, demonize the Jewish people and threaten the Jewish community.

Protesters marauding around Jewish neighbourhoods, flags and bullhorns in hands, screaming for the destruction of Israel, was a jarring image for the community and a wake-up call for how bad things are getting. It also suggests an escalation of tactics among anti-Israel demonstrators who clearly have no compunction about bringing their hateful antics to our neighbourhoods.

Friends of Simon Wiesenthal Center is working actively with other community organizations to demand safe access zones around Jewish institutions, including synagogues, schools and community centres, to prohibit such displays of hate and intimidation. This follows an injunction placed on anti-Israel protesters in Montreal following this past week's events, declaring a temporary ban on protests within 50 metres of several Jewish institutions. We are currently engaged with law enforcement and government officials, calling on them to take action that will protect all places of worship and community institutions - Jewish, Christian and Muslim alike - in Toronto and surrounding areas and to send a strong, unmistakable message that such hateful demonstrations have no place in our communities.

Shabbat Shalom,  
Michael

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June 18, 2024

**To the City of Vaughan Committee of the Whole:**

Good afternoon. My name is Mendy Finkelstein.

I'm a resident of Thornhill, and the Mayor's office has asked me to share my opinion regarding the proposed by-law "to protect Vaughan's vulnerable social infrastructure."

I was given this opportunity because of my letter written to Melissa Lantsman and copied to various representatives of Vaughan. That letter was written in early March in response to the anger which I and many others experienced seeing the anti-Israel, anti-Jewish, pro-Hamas protests directly in front of two synagogues on Clark Ave in Thornhill.

The gist of my letter was that "enough was enough," and what starts out as "free speech" often ends up being hate speech and much more. I discussed weak political leadership, especially at the Federal and Provincial levels, and I specifically referenced the City of Toronto. I wrote that there had to be a line drawn between free speech and hate speech. Moral clarity was needed, but I hadn't seen any.

In that letter, I also alluded to Germany in the 1930s. Letting hate talk go unheeded led to violence and more, and we all know what happened then. What is disturbing the Jewish community is that the political pushback against the protests here and now has seemingly been minimal. We can see with our very own eyes how the Holocaust could have happened when decent people, the majority, did not do enough.

With its large Jewish population, Vaughan is a prime target for hateful protests. As we saw in early March, it has a bullseye aimed right at Bathurst and Clark.

Now, a little about myself. I'm 76 years old. I was born in Toronto, and so was my dad. My mother was born in Montreal. My grandparents were lucky enough to leave Ukraine, Poland, and Germany just after the First World War. For many years, my dad owned a grocery store on Baldwin St. near Mount Sinai Hospital.

**Why am I telling you this?** Because I am a Canadian, Torontonion, and Vaughanian true blue, and I am also a Jew who believes that as Israel goes, so goes the Jewish people and perhaps so goes the world. I've been lucky. Despite my last name, I can honestly say that I have not experienced anti-Semitism. I went to U of T, played football on the very grounds still occupied by an anti-Israel encampment, got an MBA there and had a successful career in the residential building industry. Within the industry, we often joked that it was the English 1<sup>st</sup>,

then the Jews, and then the Italians and Portuguese who built the amazing city of Toronto and the entire GTA.

The people of Toronto and the mix of citizens from all over the world have made Toronto and its environs the best place in the world to live, raise a family, and succeed...until now. We have all seen what has happened since Oct. 7, 2023. I'm here to say that Vaughan gets it. Thank you for that. Your detailed analysis resulting in this "By-Law to Protect Vaughan's Vulnerable Social Infrastructure" says a great deal about your understanding of the conflict between Israel and Hamas, which, unfortunately, has spilled onto the streets and university campuses around the world.

However, the war in Gaza, let us not forget, started on October 7th with the massacre of some 1,200 innocent people in Israel, mostly Israeli, by Hamas and, yes, by many supporting Gazan citizens. And the taking of some 240 hostages, again mostly Israeli. We have all seen the headlines for these last 8 months. I guarantee that the Jewish community has seen much more than the headlines. And what we've seen is horrifying.

The consequences of this war have certainly appalled (disgusted is a better word) most citizens of Canada, Ontario, and Vaughan. Yes, there is a silent majority with some moral clarity. Where did this overt anti-Semitism start? The Gaza war? Or was it the extensive immigration we've witnessed over the past few years, with many coming from the Middle East and importing their hate of Israel and Jews? Or did it come from the Universities that, for maybe 2 generations, have apparently been feeding students a bunch of lies about Israel and the Jewish People? All political bodies, unions, schools, school boards, Universities and the mostly biased media must take corrective action now, or this will worsen.

Thank you, City of Vaughan, for developing this by-law. It's a step in the right direction and shows leadership where other political bodies have shown little. No hate protests within 100 meters of a sensitive institution is good, but it's only a start. Hate speech is hate speech, and this must be outlawed anywhere.

Let me conclude with this observation:

As some Holocaust survivors and others have said, it starts with hateful words that, if unchecked, will expand to violence, singling out the Jewish Community first.

Let's look closely at what has been happening in our backyard: "From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free," they chant. This means the extermination of Israel and the elimination of the Jewish people from the Middle East. That's a call for genocide of the Jewish people....and no one has said "boo."

**The firebombing of a Jewish deli and a synagogue. The spray painting at Jewish-owned Indigo. Shooting into a Jewish school on an early Saturday morning. A mayor who doesn't show up for an Israeli flag raising at Toronto City Hall on Israel's Independence Day, hate protests in Jewish neighbourhoods, police giving coffee to the protesters, and, of course, the now over a month-long anti-Israel, anti-Jewish encampment at the University of Toronto with a University administration apparently incapable of dealing with this.**

**Without detailing the specific wording on the banners and signage, essentially, the protests have morphed from being pro-Palestinian, pro-Hamas into outright and unapologetic "wipe Israel off the map and kill the Jews."**

**If this blatant anti-Semitism is left unchecked, the worst is yet to come. We need look no further than the Manhattan Subway system last week: a bunch of pro-Hamas, anti-Jewish haters dressed in Hamas-like garb and wearing their standard masks stormed onto many subway cars. They shouted: "Are there any Jews here? Are there any Zionists here? Now's your chance to get off". Silence on the subway cars. A leader shouts: "Good, there are no Jews here."**

**What happens in the US surely moves north, with the pro-Hamas mobs of Montreal, Toronto, and Vancouver being enthusiastic copycats.**

**So, I say to The Vaughan Committee of the Whole---Thank you for showing strong municipal leadership by introducing and hopefully approving this By-Law to Protect Vaughan's Vulnerable Social Infrastructure. Protests within 100m of sensitive places are a start, but it's better if hate speech and hateful acts are recognized as such anywhere and prohibited with infractions met with substantial and actionable penalties.**

**Thank you.**

**Martin (Mendy) Finkelstein  
Thornhill, On.**

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**Communication**

**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**

**Item No. 23**

**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
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**Subject:** FW: [External] By-law limiting protests close to public institutions  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2024 10:20:14 AM

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-----Original Message-----

From: Daniel Orner [REDACTED]  
Sent: Monday, June 17, 2024 10:14 AM  
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
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Hi,

I am writing to express my support for Mayor Del Duca's proposed by-law limiting protests within a certain distance of public institutions such as schools, daycares and places of worship.

While I fully support the right of free speech and protest rights, these must be limited where they cause safety problems or foment fear among the general population trying to go about their lives. My son's school had to close due to the recent protest on Clark Street due to safety fears. Children have nothing to do with whatever public issue is being demonstrated about, and it is counterproductive and tone-deaf to include them in political discourse, and possibly traumatizing.

Similarly, places of worship are a daily need for many congregants, many of whom have no opinion (or may even agree with the protesters). Forcing them to push past a large, unruly crowd to get to their private and personal prayers is unfair.

My thanks to the Mayor and I would appreciate if my support could be registered for this proposal.

Thank you,

—Daniel Orner  
[REDACTED] Heatherton Way  
Thornhill, ON



**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Postponement and Consultation on Proposed By-Law to Protect Vaughan's Vulnerable Social Infrastructure  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2024 11:16:56 AM

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**From:** CMPAC Info <info@canadianmuslimpac.ca>  
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Dear Mayor Del Duca and Members of Vaughan City Council;

I write to you on behalf of concerned members of the Vaughan community, including various religious, cultural, and social groups, to address significant issues surrounding the proposed By-law to Protect Vaughan's Vulnerable Social Infrastructure. While we acknowledge the importance of safeguarding our community members from intimidation, incitement of hatred, violence, intolerance, and discrimination, we believe that the current draft of the By-law requires further scrutiny and inclusive dialogue before being enacted.

In our review of the proposed By-law, we have identified several key areas that warrant careful reconsideration and broader community engagement. These concerns include but are not limited to the following:

**1. Lack of Community Consultation:**

The proposed By-law has significant implications for the Muslim and Arab communities, among others. It is essential to engage directly with these communities to understand their perspectives and concerns. An inclusive consultation process would help ensure

that the By-law does not inadvertently infringe upon the rights and freedoms of any group, and that it effectively addresses the concerns it aims to mitigate.

## **2. Balancing the Right to Protest:**

The right to peaceful protest is a fundamental aspect of democratic society, protected under the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*. While the By-law aims to prevent intimidating and harmful protests, it must also clearly define and protect peaceful assemblies. The current language around what constitutes a "*nuisance demonstration*" could be interpreted broadly, potentially leading to the suppression of legitimate, non-violent expressions of dissent. Specifically, the term "*reasonable person*" in defining intimidation may be too subjective and could lead to inconsistent enforcement.

## **3. Enforcement and Penalties**

The By-law provides substantial authority to Enforcement Officers, including the ability to issue orders and impose fines or administrative monetary penalties. While this is necessary for maintaining order, there must be clear guidelines to ensure these powers are exercised fairly and justly. The fines, ranging from \$500 to \$100,000, are particularly steep and could disproportionately affect smaller organizations and individuals. Furthermore, the By-law does not provide adequate clarity on the appeal process for penalties, which could leave those accused of violations with limited recourse.

## **4. Potential Conflict with Labour Rights**

The By-law must consider the rights of labour unions to protest and picket, which are protected under labour laws. Picketing and labour protests are vital tools for workers to advocate for their rights and better working conditions. The broad definitions and enforcement powers in the current draft could unintentionally suppress these legitimate labour activities, causing significant conflicts with established labour rights. Clear exemptions or guidelines should be included to ensure that labour protests are not unduly restricted.

## **5. Specificity of Protected Areas**

The By-law defines Vulnerable Social Infrastructure as including Childcare Centres, Congregate Care Facilities, Hospitals, Schools, and Places of Worship. While these are crucial areas to protect, the 100-meter buffer zone might require further discussion. This distance could encompass significant portions of urban areas, potentially impacting a

wide range of activities and gatherings not intended to be targeted by this By-law.

## **6. Protection of Vulnerable Social Infrastructure:**

We support measures to protect schools, childcare centers, hospitals, places of worship, and congregate care facilities from disruptive and harmful activities. However, the By-law must delineate specific criteria for what constitutes intimidation and ensure that enforcement measures are proportional and non-discriminatory. We need to avoid creating a legal environment that could be misused to target specific communities or stifle legitimate expressions of concern and advocacy.

In light of the foregoing concerns, we respectfully propose the following steps to ensure that the By-law is both effective and equitable:

1. Postponement of the Decision: We urge the City Council to postpone the final decision on this By-law. This postponement would allow for a comprehensive consultation process involving all affected communities, particularly the Muslim community, which has voiced significant concerns about the potential impacts of the By-law.
2. Establish a Consultation Framework: Form a diverse committee including representatives from religious institutions, cultural groups, legal experts, civil rights organizations, and law enforcement. This committee should be tasked with reviewing the By-law, gathering community feedback, and proposing amendments that balance the need for security with the protection of civil liberties.
3. Define Clear Enforcement Guidelines: Ensure that the By-law includes clear, precise definitions and guidelines for enforcement to prevent misuse. The criteria for what constitutes a "*nuisance demonstration*" should be explicit, focusing on actions that genuinely pose a threat to safety and well-being, without broadly targeting peaceful protests. Additionally, provide clear and accessible information on the appeal process for fines and penalties to ensure transparency and fairness.

The City of Vaughan is a proud, diverse, and inclusive community. It is imperative that any legislation, particularly one as impactful as this By-law, reflects these values and is developed through a transparent, inclusive process. We believe that through constructive dialogue and collaboration, we can create a By-law that effectively protects our vulnerable social infrastructure while upholding the fundamental rights of all

Vaughan residents.

We look forward to your positive response and are ready to engage in any discussions necessary to achieve a balanced and fair outcome for our community.

Sincerely,

Khaled Al-Qazzaz  
Executive Director  
The Canadian Muslim Public Affairs Council  
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**To:** [Assunta Ferrante](mailto:Assunta.Ferrante)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Bylaw prohibiting protests within 100m of schools or places of worship  
**Date:** Monday, June 17, 2024 11:21:19 AM

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**From:** Amanda Kohl [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 17, 2024 11:21 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Bylaw prohibiting protests within 100m of schools or places of worship

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Dear City Council,

On March 7th, my daughter's school was forced to close early because of a large protest situated close to the school. No child of any race, gender, or religion should ever be made to feel unsafe at or near their school or place of worship. While I completely understand that as Canadians we have the right to free speech, I do not think that should inhibit the freedom or safety of others. As such, I would like to add my voice in urging the city to prohibit protests nearby schools or places of worship.

Thank you for your time and consideration,  
Amanda Kohl

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## Melissa Lantsman, M.P. - Thornhill

June 17, 2024

Dear Members of Council,

First, thank you to Mayor Del Duca for this member's resolution to protect Vaughan's places of worship, and thank you to every member of council who has put their support behind this resolution.

I fundamentally believe in the right to protest. It is a central tenet of our freedoms as Canadians - freedoms that I want to safeguard and protect. There is, however, a difference between the right to protest and the right to intimidate. While everyone should have the right to express their views on a variety of issues, no one should have the right to harass others simply because of their religion, their background, or any other right protected by-law.

That is what we witnessed in Vaughan just a few months ago as one of the largest synagogues in the country, in our community was targeted by the anti-Israel mob. The intention of these protests was clear in their choice of location. There is no Israeli embassy, consulate or government office in Thornhill, and if these belligerent activists really wanted to make an anti-Israel statement, then they would have done so in one of the above stated appropriate locations. Instead, they chose to make an anti-Jewish statement. These protests were explicitly designed to put fear into the hearts of our Jewish neighbours, to chip away at their freedom of religion and expression by targeting one of the biggest Jewish communities in Canada at a place of worship.

As leaders, we must ensure that everyone can worship safely. That everyone can do so without fear. That means synagogues, but it also means mosques, temples, churches, and other places.

I want to stress again that I fully believe and support Canadians' right to protest, even if I strongly disagree with the cause they're protesting. But I do not support Canadians' right to block other Canadians from entering a place of worship, to intimidate their neighbours, and to participate in outright acts of hatred. I think this proposed by-law achieves balancing both views - ensuring *both* freedoms of assembly and religion are protected.

I'm pleased to support this motion and I want to thank the city's leadership, the YRP, and everyone else who continues to do the hard work to protect places of worship of all stripes in every corner of the city. This proposal is just one more tool to ensure that safety is protected, and I'd like to thank you the council for what I hope will be its swift adoption.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melissa Lantsman".

Melissa Lantsman, MP  
Thornhill

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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
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**Subject:** FW: [External] Support for bylaw  
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**From:** Ben Yosipovich [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 17, 2024 11:24 AM  
**To:** Council@vaughan.ca; Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** [External] Support for bylaw

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Dear Mayor and Council Members:

I am a resident in Vaughan and would like to express my full support for the proposed new bylaw protecting places of worship, religious institutions, schools, childcare facilities and hospitals and their 100m proximity.

Recent protests and incidents in the City have demonstrated how the City of Vaughan will degrade without the protection of this bylaw.

This bylaw is vital to maintain Vaughan's beautiful peaceful character.

The bylaw is needed to prevent the City from devolving into a hostile environment which is unsafe for law abiding families and to prevent disruption to the sensitive infrastructure needed for communities to function.

Thank you for your efforts in making Vaughan a safe place.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Yosipovich





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Communication

CW(2) – June 18, 2024

Item No. 23

Committee of the Whole (2)

June 18, 2024

RE:

Item 23 **BY-LAW TO PROTECT VAUGHAN'S VULNERABLE  
SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE**

The Office of the City Clerk has received many emails from concerned citizens, forming a petition.

The total number of emails received, as of 12pm on June 17, 2024 are: 821

Their concerns are outlined as follows:

*"Dear Vaughan City Council Members,*

*We represent concerned citizens who wholeheartedly support Mayor Del Duca's proposed by-law to "prohibit nuisance demonstrations within one hundred metres of vulnerable social infrastructure."*

*To ensure that the intention of this by-law is preserved in its language, we ask that you add several words to Section 4.0,2a to read, "Section 4.0(1) is not intended to prohibit peaceful gatherings, peaceful protests or peaceful demonstrations, including any such activities that occur as part of a labour union strike."*

*As our elected officials, your duty is to preserve and protect our community. Sadly, the Hamas terrorist organization uses what they call the "CNN Strategy" [1] where they pay protesters (e.g., SJP, AMP, CAIR) to spread misinformation, disrupt communities, and chant hateful rhetoric that promotes intimidation, physical harm, murder, and destruction under the subterfuge of social activism [2-5]. We were horrified when a violent mob tried to overtake a Jewish Community Centre in Toronto [6] and when a Muslim high school student violently assaulted a Jewish student in New Brunswick Province [7]. This must stop NOW!*

*We are outraged and tired of seeing our beloved neighbors and community members become targets of this intimidation and bullying.*

***History will judge each and every leader who capitulates to it, and future generations will praise leaders who take a stand against it.***

***We want peace in our communities and protection for our neighbors. Please vote for this by-law.”***

A list of concerned residents is on file in the Office of the City Clerk.



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June 17, 2024

City of Vaughan  
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**Attention: Hon. Mayor Del Duca and Members of Council**

**Re: Martin Grove and Highway 7 – Special Area  
Committee of the Whole, Tuesday June 18, 2024  
Agenda Item 6.4  
716051 Ontario Limited & 1214420 Ontario Limited  
5555, 5585, 5597 and 5601 Highway 7, 7731, 7685, 7635, 7625 Martin Grove Road  
and 211 Woodstream Boulevard  
City of Vaughan,  
Region of York**

KLM Planning Partners Inc. is the land use planning consultant representing 716051 Ontario Limited & 1214420 Ontario Limited ("**client**"). Our client owns a series of landholdings at the southeast corner of the intersection of Martin Grove Road and Highway 7, known municipally as 5555, 5585, 5597 and 5601 Highway 7, 7731, 7685, 7635, 7625 Martin Grove Road, and 211 Woodstream Boulevard in the City of Vaughan (the "**City**"), Region of York (the "**Region**") (the "**Subject Lands**"). A map identifying the location of the Subject Lands is attached herein.

We recently became aware that the above noted report was to be presented to Committee of the Whole on June 18, 2024, seeking input on the establishment of a "Special Area" on certain lands at the intersection of Highway 7 and Martin Grove Road, including the Subject Lands. The intent of the Special Area is to enable staff to request the formation of a landowner group and the submission of a comprehensive Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan amongst all landowners therein pursuant to Section 10.1.1.7 of the City's Official Plan, as part of a complete application for development applications within the area. The staff report notes that the Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan is necessary to provide for coordination among the various development applications and employment conversions within the Special Area, and since the lands are not located within a Primary Centre, Local Centre or a Secondary Plan where a Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan could otherwise be required.

It is our opinion that the submission of a Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan is unnecessary and will not provide any additional information which would otherwise be provided in the other various materials being requested in connection with development applications in this area. The outcome will be a duplication of effort which will only serve to slow down development approvals in the area, adversely affecting the timely approval of new housing units in Vaughan in the middle of a well documented housing crisis. The coordination of development applications and the assessment of each item identified in Section 10.1.1.7 of VOP 2010 is evaluated within supporting studies provided with development applications on a site-specific basis. The requirement to form a landowner group and submit a consolidated report amongst landowners for a relatively small percentage of lands which are likely be

redeveloped within the "Special Area" will in our opinion result in unnecessary delays in the approval of development applications.

**On this basis we respectfully request that Council reject the recommendation from staff and allow each individual development application to proceed on their own merits.**

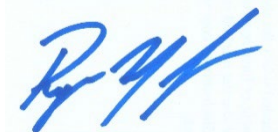
As identified above, we were recently advised of the above noted report only through a response to email correspondence we sent to planning staff. No separate notice was provided to our client and we are unable to determine if other landowners within the "Special Area" received notice and had the ability to review and comment on the recommendation from planning staff. Given the potential implications of this report, it is our opinion that insufficient notice was provided to all properties affected by the Special Area such that due consideration by each landowner of potential impacts could be completed.

Please consider this our formal request to be properly notified of any future meetings in relation to the proposed "Special Area" at the intersection of Martin Grove Road and Highway 7.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if there are any questions or concerns of if you require any additional information.

Yours truly,

**KLM PLANNING PARTNERS INC.**

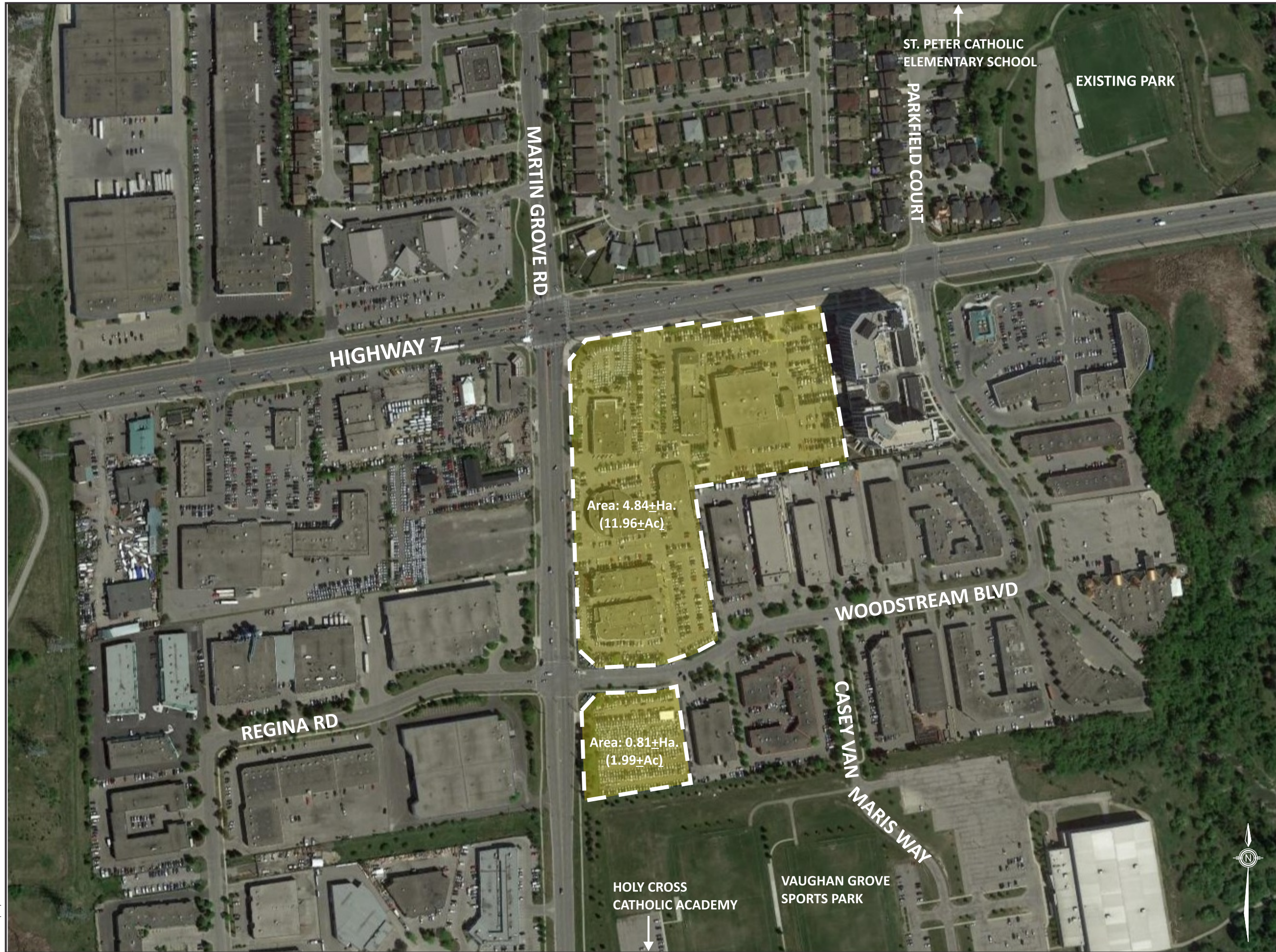


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# Location Map



## LEGEND

 Subject Lands



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June 17, 2024

City of Vaughan  
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**Attention: Hon. Mayor Del Duca and Members of Council**

**Re: Martin Grove and Highway 7 – Special Area  
Committee of the Whole, Tuesday June 18, 2024  
Agenda Item 6.4  
Anatolia Capital Corp.  
5770 Highway 7  
City of Vaughan, Region of York**

KLM Planning Partners Inc. is the land use planning consultant for Anatolia Capital Corp. (“**client**”). Our client owns lands west of Martin Grove Road, on the north side of Highway 7, known municipally as 5770 Highway 7 in the City of Vaughan (the “**Subject Lands**”). A map identifying the location of the Subject Lands is attached herein.

We only recently became aware of the above noted report that is to be presented to Committee of the Whole on June 18, 2024, seeking input on the establishment of a “Special Area” on certain lands at the intersection of Highway 7 and Martin Grove Road. We note that the proposed boundary of the Special Area excludes the Subject Lands. The stated intent of the Special Area is to enable staff to request the submission of a comprehensive Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan amongst all landowners therein pursuant to Section 10.1.1.7 of the City’s Official Plan, as part of a complete application for development applications within the area. The staff report notes that the Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan is necessary to provide for coordination among the various development applications and employment conversions within the Special Area, and since the lands are not located within a Primary Centre, Local Centre or a Secondary Plan where a Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan could otherwise be required.

The Subject Lands are designated “Mid-Rise Mixed Use” with a permission for heights up to 8 storeys and a net density of 2.5 FSI in the City’s Official Plan and are therefore intended to be redeveloped to facilitate a mix of uses. Should the Subject Lands not be included within the Special Area and the recommendation in the report approved, our client’s may be unnecessarily prejudiced, potentially impacting future development approvals on their land.

While we question the effectiveness of staff’s recommendation; our client has an interest in the redevelopment of their lands and therefore should not be excluded from any comprehensive plans for the Martin Grove and Highway 7 area. Should Council adopt Staff’s recommendations for a Special Area; it should include my client’s lands so that they may participate in any discussions related to the comprehensive planning for the area. Further, my client is engaged in Vaughan’s Municipal Comprehensive Review and is participating through that process as well.

It should be noted that my client did not receive Notice of this meeting and have had limited ability to review and comment on the recommendation from planning staff. Please consider this our formal request to be properly notified of any future meetings in relation to the proposed "Special Area" at the intersection of Martin Grove Road and Highway 7 as well as any matters related to the comprehensive review of Vaughan's Official Plan.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if there are any questions or concerns or if you require any additional information.

Yours truly,

**KLM PLANNING PARTNERS INC.**



Ryan Virtanen BES, MCIP, RPP  
Partner

cc. Client



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June 17, 2024  
File: 8784

**Attn: Office of City Clerk**

**RE: City of Vaughan Committee of the Whole**  
**Martin Grove Road and Highway 7 – Special Area**  
**Related File No.: OP.22.007**

Weston Consulting is the planning consultant for the 'Highway 7 and Martin Grove Landowner Group ("The Landowners"), the registered owners of the properties located at the southwest quadrant of Highway 7 and Martin Grove Road. These lands are municipally known as 5657, 5731, 5781, 5655 Highway 7 and 7700 and 7714 Martin Grove Road, in the City of Vaughan ("the Subject Lands"). On behalf of the Owner, this letter has been prepared to provide formal acknowledgment of the proposed Martin Grove Road and Highway 7 Special Area and the Landowners' concerns regarding the implications of the planning approach City Staff has recommended for the special area to the future development of the Landowners' land holdings.

### **Description of the Subject Lands**

The Subject Lands are located at the southwest quadrant of the Highway 7 and Martin Grove Road intersection in the community of Woodbridge. Consisting of six parcels, the Subject Lands are approximately 6.96 hectares (17.20 acres) in area with 407 metres of frontage Highway 7 and 132.6 metres along Martin Grove Road. The lands are currently occupied by a variety of single-storey commercial and retail uses. The majority of the Subject Lands are covered by surface parking, with minimal onsite landscaping.

### **Application History**

An Official Plan Amendment Application was submitted on April 29, 2022, to facilitate the development of a high-rise mixed-use master plan to permit a phased development of 10 residential apartment blocks totaling 13 buildings varying in height from 12 – 28 storeys with at-grade commercial uses. The proposal included the delivery of a road network, public parks, and privately-owned publicly accessible spaces and a phasing plan to enable efficient land development, creating a complete community. Consistent with the application checklist and submission requirements, several technical reports and studies were submitted to the City, including a Planning Justification Report, Urban Design and Sustainability Brief, Master Functional Servicing Report, Transportation Considerations Report, Community Services and Facilities Study, Landscape Master Plan, Arborist Report, Parks and Open Space Detailed Facility Fit Study, Parkland Dedication Summary, Environmental Noise and Vibration Assessment, Wind Study, Air Quality Assessment, Sun Shadow Study, Hydrogeological and Geotechnical Investigations, Water Balance Assessment, and Phase 1 and 2 Environmental Site Assessments.

A statutory public meeting was held on February 7, 2023, regarding the development proposal and received comments from the Committee of the Whole and the public. A series of extensive and successful public meetings and engagements occurred over several months with stakeholders, including residents, businesses, ratepayers' associations, and Local and Regional Councillors. Comments on the first submission were received from the

York Region, various City departments, and agencies. Since then, the project team has been actively involved with several discussions with Staff to address Council direction, Staff comments, public feedback, and potential modifications to the application and resubmission deliverables. The comments/feedback received through the public/stakeholder consultation meetings were carefully considered and incorporated in the application resubmission to the City on June 3, 2024. The resubmission also responded to the phasing approach discussed with City Staff and included the policy direction and the use of Holding Symbols (H) to align development phasing with the delivery of municipal infrastructure (water, wastewater, stormwater, and transportation), a comprehensive road network and parkland to facilitate the proposed development.

### **Comments on Martin Grove Road and Highway 7 – Special Area**

We have reviewed the Committee of the Whole Report for the June 18, 2024 meeting. The proposed special area is extensive, bounded by Highway 7 to the north, Highway 27 to the west, Kipling Avenue to the east, and the Vaughan Grove turf field to the south. City Staff are requesting a Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan to be coordinated amongst all landowners in this area to address, including but not limited to, the phasing of development, height, and massing of buildings, distribution of land uses and densities, parks system, and pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular circulation. Given the significant progress made on this application, the extent of technical studies prepared and submitted to the City, the extensive public engagement that has occurred, and the Landowners' collective commitment to implementing the master plan development in a phased and logical manner, the Landowners' have significant concerns regarding the proposed land use planning approach for the special area, in particular the requirement for a Landowner Group ("LOG") to submit a joint Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan ("DCRPP") with supporting comprehensive studies, for the entire identified special area.

The development proposal envisions master planning of the Subject Lands. The phasing approach has been carefully crafted and considered for efficient growth and appropriate development of the Subject Lands that aligns with the availability of necessary infrastructure and services and delivery of street networks, public parks, and retail areas to accommodate the needs of the future residents, following the principles of creating a complete community. The holding provisions have been proposed in the draft OPA instrument to allow the future development of the Subject Lands in a coordinated and comprehensive manner when the municipal services and traffic infrastructure are sufficiently available to serve the proposed development.

We believe the Landowners' participation in a LOG to prepare a DCRPP or contribute to the required supporting comprehensive studies will result in unnecessary duplication of efforts and additional costs. This will ultimately delay development approvals and adversely affect the delivery of much-needed housing in the City as directed by the recent Provincial legislation. It is our opinion that the coordination of developments and the building of complete communities can be undertaken through supporting technical studies provided by each landowner on a site-specific basis, through the necessary development application review process, and through the use of holding provisions where appropriate.

We are not supportive of the proposed requirement for a DCRPP with supporting studies and respectfully request the Committee to consider appropriate solutions to advance and expedite planning approval of the Subject Lands. We request to be notified of any new information, future reports, and/or meetings and decisions regarding the proposed special area.

Please contact the undersigned at extension 245 or Raj Lamichhane at extension 330 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Yours truly,

**Weston Consulting**

**Per:**



Sandra K. Patano, BES, MES, MCIP, RPP  
Vice President

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To Members of Council

Humphries Planning Group Inc represents the owner of lands located at 77 Woodstream Boulevard and currently the subject of Site Plan Application file No. DA.15.072.

We wish to advise staff and members of Council that the Site Plan application is coming to a conclusion for this project and development will be progressing in accordance with applications. We are not supportive of the inclusion of the 77 Woodstream lands in this study area if delays in development will occur given where the subject is in the site plan approval process. We respectfully request that the 77 Woodstream be removed from the proposed study area for such reasons.

In addition to the above, we kindly request all notifications for any further processes, meeting, reports and decisions of council on this matter.

**Rosemarie L. Humphries BA, MCIP, RPP**  
**President**

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June 17, 2024  
File# 7255 and 7255-1

**Attn: Office of City Clerk**

**RE: City of Vaughan Committee of the Whole**  
**Martin Grove Road and Highway 7 – Special Area**  
**Related Files OP.21.027 and Z.21.056 (Approved) and DA.24.029 (In-Process)**

Weston Consulting is the planning consultant for Co-Mart Holdings Limited, the registered owner of the properties municipally known as 20 Roysun Road and 50 Sovereign Court, herein referred to as the “Subject Lands”. The purpose of this letter is to provide formal acknowledgement of the proposed Martin Grove Road and Highway 7 Special Area and our concerns regarding this approach as it relates to the future development of our client’s land holdings.

### **Application History and Approvals**

The subject lands consist of two parcels that are located on the west side of Martin Grove Road north of Roysun Road. The subject lands consist of a combined 16,023 square metres (approximately 1.6 hectares) and are surrounded by institutional and recreational uses to the east (Woodbridge Sports Dome, Holy Cross Catholic Academy), and a variety of commercial and industrial uses to the north, west and south.

Requests for Employment Lands Conversions were approved by the Committee of the Whole for both 20 Roysun Road and 55 Sovereign Court through the recent York Region Municipal Comprehensive Review process. The purpose of the employment conversions was to permit a broader range of uses, including residential on the subject lands.

In December 2021, applications for an Official Plan Amendment (OP.21.027) and a Zoning By-law Amendment (Z.21.056) were submitted for the lands municipally known as 20 Roysun Road, to facilitate the development of a mid-rise building consisting of two (2) residential towers, 10 and 12 storeys in height, located atop a six (6)-storey podium, comprised of 245 apartment residential dwelling units and ground floor retail commercial uses. The Site Development Application (DA.24.029) was subsequently submitted in April 2024 following the approval of the Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment applications in December 2023. The Site Development application is well along in the review process, and we are currently working to address comments and satisfy the Holding Symbol “(H)” provisions. The intent is that similar applications for mid-rise residential would be planned in a coordinated and comprehensive manner for the lands immediately north, located at 55 Sovereign Court in the future.

Through the York Region MCR process and site-specific development application process, numerous reports and technical studies were undertaken, including but not limited to, a Planning Justification Report, Urban Design Brief, Community Services and Facilities Study, Landscape Master Plan, Air Quality Report, Transportation Mobility Plan and Impact Study, Noise and Vibration Report, Stormwater Management and Functional Servicing

Report, Wind Study, Shadow Study, Hydrogeological and Geotechnical Investigations, and Phase 1 and 2 Environmental Site Assessments.

### **Comments on Martin Grove Road and Highway 7 – Special Area**

We have reviewed the Committee of the Whole Report for the June 18, 2024 meeting, and our client's have significant concerns regarding the proposed land use planning approach for the special area, in particular the requirement for a Landowner Group ("LOG") to submit a joint Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan ("DCRPP") with supporting comprehensive studies, for the entire identified special area.

We provide the following comments for consideration:

1. The proposed special area is extensive, bounded by Highway 7 to the north, Highway 27 to the west, Kipling Avenue to the east, and the Vaughan Grove turf field to the south. City Staff are requesting a Development Concept Report and Phasing Plan to be coordinated amongst all landowners/applicants in this area to address, including but not limited to, the phasing of development, height and massing of buildings, distribution of land uses and densities, parks system, and pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular circulation systems. Our client's lands are located at the most southwest portion of the proposed special area, generally within a different context than the properties that are located along the Highway 7 intensification corridor. Through the site-specific development applications, the development proposal has been reviewed on the basis of its own locational attributes, policy and urban design considerations, and planning and technical requirements and merits. The intent is that future applications for mid-rise residential would be planned in a coordinated and comprehensive manner for our client's other land holdings located immediately north of their 20 Roysun Road property, at 55 Sovereign Court, as these are the only two parcels in the most southwest portion of the special area that received an employment conversion and are intended for residential development.
2. Given the extent of the technical studies previously prepared in support of our client's proposed development, we do not believe it is necessary or reasonable to expect our client to participate in a LOG, prepare a DCRPP, or contribute to the required supporting comprehensive studies. This recommendation will result in an unnecessary duplication of efforts, additional costs, and will ultimately delay development approvals and adversely affect the delivery of much needed housing in this area through the current planning approvals process.
3. It is our opinion that the coordination of developments and building of complete communities can be undertaken through supporting technical studies provided by each landowner on a site-specific basis through the necessary development application review process, and use of holding provisions where appropriate.

The proposed development and associated applications for Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment were approved based on technical study and good planning and urban design principles and seek to enhance an underutilized parcel within the City of Vaughan. It is our opinion that the proposed development and associated site development application should continue to proceed through the process as prescribed by the Planning Act.

We are not supportive of the proposed requirement for a DCRPP with supporting studies as it is a redundant process that will unnecessarily delay the development approval process and the supply of housing. Coordination of developments can be undertaken through supporting technical studies provided by each landowner in the special area on a site-specific basis through the necessary development application review process. It is our



opinion that the priority should be to find ways to work together to expedite approvals and housing as mandated by provincial legislation and not delay it.

We request to be notified of any new information, future reports, and/or meetings and decisions regarding the proposed special area. Please contact the undersigned at extension 245 or Sarah Burjaw at extension 374 if you have any questions or require additional information.

Yours truly,

**Weston Consulting**

**Per:**



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Reena: Driving Change to Meet  
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His Worship Steven Del Duca  
Mayor  
City of Vaughan

Re: Proposed bylaw that would prohibit demonstrations that intimidate, or incite hatred, violence or intolerance within 100 metres of our vulnerable social infrastructure

I am writing to you on behalf of Reena, an organization committed to enhancing the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities through comprehensive support services. Our mission at Reena is to ensure the well-being and quality of life for all members of our community, which is why we are reaching out to express our strong support for the recent by-law proposed in Vaughan.

Reena provides a range of vital services, including residential support, respite programs, Community Participation, Summer Camps, and advocacy. These services are crucial for the individuals we support, many of whom rely on the safety of our facilities to thrive.

The by-law proposes to prohibit demonstrations within 100 meters of places of worship, congregate care settings, schools, child-care centres, and hospitals, and is a significant step forward in protecting our community's vulnerable social infrastructure from protests that may incite hatred, intolerance, and violence.

For the individuals supported by Reena, this by-law ensures that their access to our services remains uninterrupted and free from the distress that can be caused by demonstrations near our facilities. It also reinforces the sense of security and peace that is essential for their well-being. It is essential that congregate care settings be included in the definition in the by-law to protect the most vulnerable from being targets of intentional disruption and psychological harm.

In March 2024, Reena witnessed first-hand how demonstrations, even when lawful, can inadvertently create an atmosphere of intimidation and fear. Such an environment is detrimental to the mental health of the individuals we serve, many of whom are particularly sensitive to loud noises and large, unpredictable crowds.



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Individuals supported by Reena were put at risk when protesters engaged them in conversation. Some hid in their rooms out of fear, and all had to change the routines of their daily life with cancelled programs and services.

By safeguarding the perimeters of our facilities, the by-law directly contributes to the stability and predictability that are so important for the daily routines of those with developmental disabilities and severe mental health challenges. It allows us to continue providing uninterrupted care and support, fostering an environment where every individual feels safe and valued.

We commend the city council's commitment to protecting its residents and thank you for your leadership in this matter. Reena strongly supports the need for this proposed by-law and stands ready to collaborate with the city to ensure the successful implementation of this by-law and to promote the safety and dignity of all community members.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue.

Sincerely,

Bryan Keshen  
CEO

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Dear Mayor Del Duca and Members of Vaughan City Council:

On behalf of 180,000 OPSEU/SEFPO members, I write today to voice strong opposition to the “Protecting Vulnerable Social Infrastructure By law” that is coming before you today. Please do not fall for the rhetoric that this bylaw is about protecting vulnerable communities. Canada already has legislation in place that addresses community safety, hate speech and violence; that is not what is being discussed here. What is at stake here is simply the right to voice dissenting opinions within reach of certain locations.

OPSEU/SEFPO members work at a number of such locations and our right to gather and express ourselves there – perhaps especially when as workers, we want our voices to be heard, whether it is during a strike or whether it is when we are taking political action – is a fundamental right that we have been guaranteed through multiple legal challenges that have been heard at the Supreme Court of Canada. Calling it a “protest” does not change the essential nature of these activities.

Bylaws such as these seek to restrict broad rights based on narrow or temporary circumstances that some Councillors or their constituents do not like. A \$100,000 fine for the violation of such a by-law lays bare the draconian intent to stifle free expression that underlies bylaws and motions like this, which do indeed attempt to set aside Charter-protected rights to freedom of assembly and expression. But the reason these protections exist in a democracy in the first place is precisely so that speech or activities that are not popular do not get restricted.

As Councillors, I ask you to remember that there are many residents in your communities who hold many and diverse views. Your primary task should be ensuring that you hear from as many voices as possible so that you have all the information you need to make the best decisions possible for all of the people who call Vaughan home, not to try to restrict the voices

you hear to those who agree with you.

On behalf of OPSEU/SEFPO, I urge you all to vote against this proposed Bylaw and put an end to the notion that “protest” can or should be restricted. In a free and democratic society, peaceful protest that respects human rights and differences actually make for stronger communities.

Sincerely,

JP Hornick (they/them)  
OPSEU/SEFPO President

# Deputation Against Proposed By-Law to “Protect Vaughan’s Vulnerable Social Infrastructure”

Independent Jewish Voices  
York Region

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Communication

CW(2) – June 18, 2024

Item No. 23

Independent  
Jewish Voices  
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# Introduction

- Independent Jewish Voices' York Region chapter represents progressive Jewish community members in Vaughan and across York Region.
- Anti-semitism and anti-Palestinian racism are both serious problems that must be addressed. One isn't more or less important than the other.
- We believe we all must fight these forms of discrimination **together**. We want our government to facilitate dialogue and collaboration – not suspicion, suppression and division.

Why do progressive  
Jews reject this  
proposed by-law?



# 1. This bylaw would **not** increase safety.

- The Vaughan staff report on the proposed by-law provides examples of alleged hate crimes.
- **Not a single one** of the examples cited (arson, bomb threats, vandalism, shooting at buildings) would have been prevented by the proposed bylaw. There is **zero evidence of any connection** between peaceful protests and such acts.
- Vaughan must focus on **investigating and addressing acts of violence** instead of offering a false solution that a) won't prevent hate crimes **and** b) will permanently reduce the entire Vaughan community's democratic rights and freedoms.

## 2. We need to rule on **facts**, not feelings.

- As written, the bylaw would kick in if a community member merely *feels* “intimidated” or “concerned” for their safety or security - **even if there’s no actual threat whatsoever.**
- This is a **shockingly low bar** for stripping others of their democratic right to peaceful protest, calling in armed police to physically suppress them, and fining them up to \$100,000!
- As adults, we all know that **feelings are not facts.** It is extremely dangerous to legislate away anything that merely *feels* scary to some. Our laws - and especially our punishments - must be grounded in **facts**, not subjective emotions.

# 3. The protests have been legitimate.

- This by-law was proposed in the wake of peaceful protests that took place in Thornhill.
- The peaceful protests were held outside synagogues while they hosted non-religious **real estate events** selling land in Israel-Palestine that is under serious dispute.
- Other venues in Vaughan chose **not** to host the sale specifically because they felt it would be problematic.
- As progressive Jews, we support the community's right to peacefully protest such an event, wherever it may be hosted.

What do progressive  
Jews want instead?

# What do we want instead?

- Initiatives that bring Vaughan minorities **together** to solve problems collaboratively
- Solutions that address **actual violence and hate crimes**, instead of subjective feelings
- Solutions that do **not** reduce the entire Vaughan community's democratic rights and freedoms

Thank you!



**C91.**  
**Communication**  
**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**  
**Item No. 25**

**DATE:** June 18, 2024  
**TO:** Mayor and Members of Council  
**FROM:** Nick Spensieri  
**RE: COMMUNICATION – Committee of the Whole (2) – June 18, 2024**  
**Item 25, Report No. 25**  
**DIGITAL BILLBOARD REVENUE PROJECT – PHASE THREE**  
**PROPOSAL**

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### **Recommendation**

1. THAT Recommendation 4 in the Report to Council cited in the subject line above be replaced by the following:

THAT Council endorses the City Sign By-law exemptions for City Proposed Signs, provided in the limited circumstances described further in this report, where otherwise satisfactory to Building Standards and Legal Services;

### **Background**

This amendment is intended to clarify Staff's recommendation.

For more information, contact Raphael Costa, Director Economic Development, 8891

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nick Spensieri".

Nick Spensieri, City Manager



**C92.**  
**Communication**  
**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**  
**Item No. 47**

# 271 VALLEY VISTA DRIVE

Request to Withdraw 'Notice of Intention to Designate'

June 18, 2024

**ERA**



# ERA ARCHITECTS' SCOPE

## Review Draft Designations: 1078 Major Mackenzie Dr W & 271 Valley Vista Dr

### 1078 MAJOR MACKENZIE DR W



Main House (left) and Carriage House (right) (ERA, April 2024)

### 271 VALLEY VISTA DR



Main House (ERA, May 2024)



# 271 VALLEY VISTA DRIVE

## Assessment of Candidacy for Designation



Southward aerial (Google Maps, 2024, annotated by ERA).



Main House (ERA, May 2024)



Barn (ERA, May 2024)



Stone Ruin (ERA, May 2024)



Road and Fields (ERA, May 2024)



# ASSESSMENT OF INTEGRITY

## Ontario Heritage Tool Kit Guidance

*“A heritage property does not need to be in original condition. Few survive without alterations on the long journey between their date of origin and today. **Integrity is a question of whether the surviving physical features (heritage attributes) continue to represent or support the cultural heritage value or interest of the property.**”*

*For example, a building that has been identified as being important because it is the work of a local architect, but has been irreversibly altered without consideration for design, may not be worthy of long-term protection for its physical quality. The surviving features no longer represent the design; the integrity has been lost...”*

- Ontario Heritage Tool Kit, “Heritage Property Evaluation” Guide, pg. 30



# ASSESSMENT OF INTEGRITY

## Regency Cottage Style in Ontario

271 VALLEY VISTA DRIVE



Main House (ERA, May 2024)

REGENCY COTTAGES IN ONTARIO



Clockwise from Top: Consecon (AirBnB.ca); Odessa (Ancestral Roofs); Niagara-on-the-Lake (Pinterest.ca).



# ASSESSMENT OF INTEGRITY

## Existing Fabric on Site



Main House (ERA, May 2024)



Stone Ruin (ERA, May 2024)



# REQUEST TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

re: **271 Valley Vista Drive - Notice of Intention to Designate**

On behalf of the property owners (the Redelmeier family), we request:

1. The **withdrawal of the ‘Notice of Intention to Designate’** for 271 Valley Vista Drive at this time.

# REQUEST TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

## re: 271 Valley Vista Drive - Notice of Intention to Designate

On behalf of the property owners (the Redelmeier family), we request:

1. The **withdrawal** of the ‘Notice of Intention to Designate’ for 271 Valley Vista Drive at this time.
2. The **opportunity to study 271 Valley Vista Drive with Heritage Staff** in Summer 2024, with the option to return to Council with a new ‘Notice of Intention to Designate’ in Fall 2024, should we arrive at a shared understanding of the property’s integrity and candidacy for designation.







**C93.**

**Communication**

**CW(2) – June 18, 2024**

**Item No. 5**

# Future Concord Go Surroundings Plan

June 18, 2024

By Max Haim

# Cortel Group's First Development





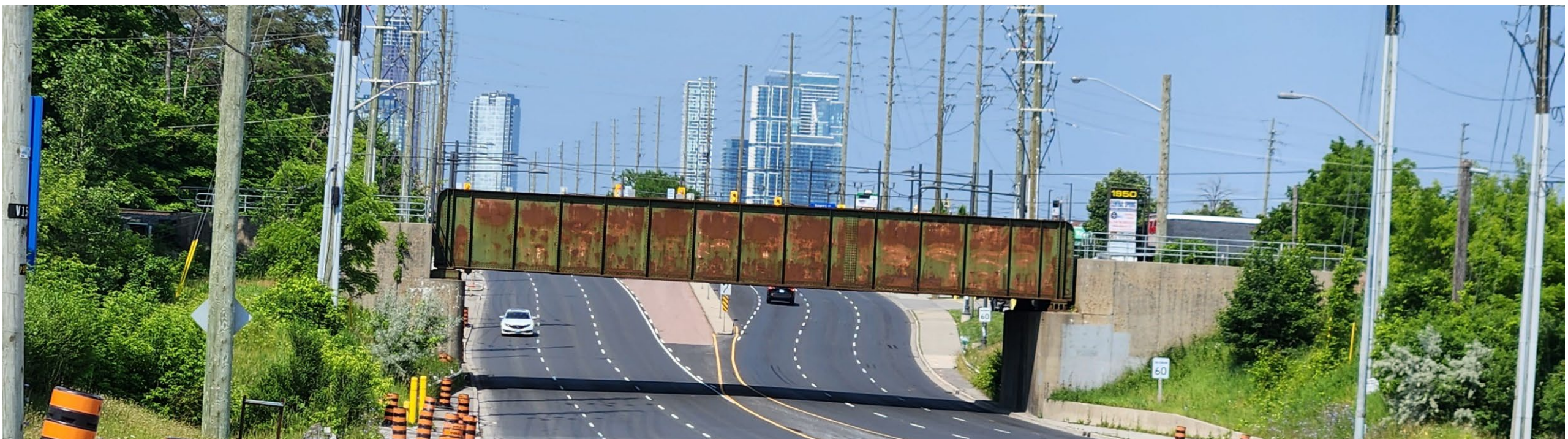
# Concord Go

- Future Go Station
  - Primary justifications for these developments
  - Connects Thornhill to Toronto (30 min ride)
- Will be built eventually





# Issue: The Bridge





# Details

- Unfit for Active Transportation
  - Approx 2 hats Wide
  - Not Walkable
- No Space



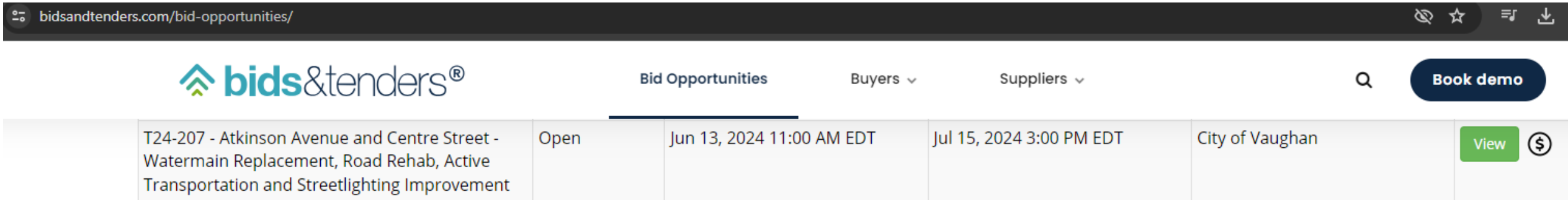


# Regular Sidewalk






# Vaughans Vision – Active Transportation



The screenshot shows the website bidsandtenders.com with the following details:

- URL: bidsandtenders.com/bid-opportunities/
- Logo: bids&tenders®
- Navigation: Bid Opportunities (selected), Buyers, Suppliers
- Search: Search icon and a "Book demo" button.
- Table of Bid Opportunities:

Project Name	Status	Start Date	End Date	Location	Action
T24-207 - Atkinson Avenue and Centre Street - Watermain Replacement, Road Rehab, Active Transportation and Streetlighting Improvement	Open	Jun 13, 2024 11:00 AM EDT	Jul 15, 2024 3:00 PM EDT	City of Vaughan	<a href="#">View</a> 

Vaughan is being built for walking and bikes

- Atkinson is the newest Project

# Important Considerations

- Bridge Replacement
  - Widen underpass
    - **Sidewalk** and potentially Viva Bus Lane





# Other Note – Concord Go

- Don't need a long platform
  - Reduced, low cost should suffice NOW
- The Steakhouse can wait, build a hotdog stand





# Lets Fix This, and Connect Thornhill

