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Dear Vaughan Council and Planning Department,
After Reading the Sunday, September 15, 2024, Toronto Star Article about Block 41 I am advocating that Vaughan Council permanently protect the existing 137 hectares of Greenbelt Lands of Block 41 from development. The Greenbelt lands need to be protected. Parks, fields and other infrastructure must not be permitted on lands within the Greenbelt Area of Block 41. Section 3.4.2 of the Greenbelt Plan: “Settlement Areas outside of the Greenbelt are not permitted to expand into the Greenbelt”. Parks are part of the new Block 41 settlement and expansion into the Greenbelt has never been allowed. If Vaughan Council approves the expansion of parks, recreational fields and other recreational infrastructure into the Greenbelt, it will be the beginning of the end of the Greenbelt in Vaughan. Urban active parkland will bleed into the Greenbelt lands everywhere adjacent new developments are approved. Parks, fields, and other infrastructure **must** remain within the approved settlement area of Block 41. **Suppose the Block 41 settlement area was not approved for development, would Vaughan Council have approved/permitted the expansion of parks, fields and other recreational infrastructure on the existing 137 hectares of Greenbelt Lands of Block 41?** I am advocating that Vaughan Council set a precedent and not permit active parkland, fields and recreational infrastructure to be built on the Greenbelt lands of Block 41. **Parks, fields, and other infrastructure must remain within the approved settlement area of Block 41.** Please demonstrate environmental leadership, uphold Greenbelt Protection and keep your Greenbelt Promise.
Sincerely,
Angela Grella