

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (2) – NOVEMBER 12, 2024**

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| C2. | Niral Merchant, Carrville Mills RatePayers Association, dated November 10, 2024. | 9 |

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**To:** [Adelina Bellisario](mailto:Adelina.Bellisario)  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Request for Dog Park in Carville Mills Neighbourhood- Ward 4  
**Date:** November-11-24 9:05:53 AM

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**From:** Anna Commisso <Anna.Commisso@vaughan.ca>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 11, 2024 9:05 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Cc:** Niral Gmail [REDACTED]; Chris Ainsworth <Chris.Ainsworth@vaughan.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: [External] Request for Dog Park in Carville Mills Neighbourhood- Ward 4

Please see below email to be added to the communications for the November 12 CW1 meeting, item 9, [OFF-LEASH DOG AREA PROGRAM UPDATE NOVEMBER 2024](#).

Thank you,

Anna Commisso  
**Executive Assistant**  
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**From:** Len Abelman <[LAbelman@wzmh.com](mailto:LAbelman@wzmh.com)>  
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**Cc:** Chris Ainsworth <[Chris.Ainsworth@vaughan.ca](mailto:Chris.Ainsworth@vaughan.ca)>; Niral Gmail [REDACTED]  
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To : Anna Commisso- Executive Assistant To Councillor Chris Ainsworth

Hello Anna

I am writing to you as a resident of Ward 4 and a member of the Carville Mills Rate Payers Association in relation to the upcoming meeting on Dog Parks in Vaughan to be held on Nov 12, 2024.

As a dog owner, who walks my dog daily in our neighbourhood and based on discussions with other dog owners, we really feel that there are not enough dog parks in our area. Over a year ago I created a proposal for dog park and trail upgrades in our neighbourhood (see link below to download) – 5 pages, with particular reference to suggestion of placing a dog park at Carville Mills Park on Marc Santi Avenue (on page 2) . Unfortunately this plan has not gone anywhere to date.

 [2023\\_08\\_03 Proposal.pdf](#)

We live in a beautiful area with ample park and green space, yet these open spaces are not connected sufficiently or used according to the needs of our neighbourhood. Carville Mills Park is dedicated primarily to a soccer field for young children that is used 2 afternoons a week in the summer. A new dog park would be used daily. The proposed plan creates space for a new dog park behind the existing soccer field. If the dog park is fenced it would not interfere with the soccer field operations at all.

Please could you make this suggestion a priority and help meet the growing needs of dogs and their owners in the neighbourhood.

Thanks

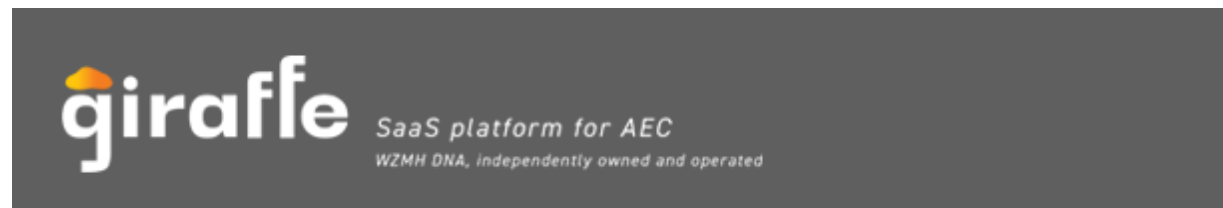
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**From:** [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca)  
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**Subject:** FW: [External] Urgent Need for Dog Park in Carville Mills (Block 11)  
**Date:** November-11-24 9:07:15 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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**From:** Anna Commisso <Anna.Commisso@vaughan.ca>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 11, 2024 9:06 AM  
**To:** N Merchant [REDACTED]; Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Cc:** Chris Ainsworth <Chris.Ainsworth@vaughan.ca>; Len Abelman <LAbelman@wzmh.com>; [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]  
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To: Anna Commisso, Executive Assistant to Councillor Chris Ainsworth

Subject: Urgent Need for Dog Park in Carrville Mills (Block 11)

Hello Anna,

I am reaching out as a proud resident of Ward 4 and Block 11 and a member of the Carrville Mills Ratepayers Association regarding the upcoming meeting on Dog Parks in Vaughan scheduled for November 12, 2024.

As a dog owner who walks my dog each and every day, and meets countless other members of our RatePayers Association in Block 11, we all wish to let you know that we desperately need a Dog park in our community. The other options are too far away or are already overpacked when we visit them.

The increase in dogs during COVID has caused this ripple effect, and our dogs deserve the right to be able to run freely in self contained off leash areas.

We immediately propose the funding of a Dog Park to be placed in the park on Marc Santi known as Carrville Mills Park. The park has ample playground, soccer field, skateboard park and walking trails but there are portions of the park that are under-utilized which could easily be turned into off leash Dog Park areas, without interfering with the aforementioned uses.

We would be grateful if you could advocate for this proposal and prioritize it to address the growing needs of dog owners and their pets in our area.

Thank you very much for your consideration and support.

Warm regards,  
Niral Merchant, Director  
Carrville Mills RatePayers Association

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**DATE:** November 12, 2024

**TO:** Mayor and Members of Council

**FROM:** Haiqing Xu, Deputy City Manager, Planning and Growth Management

**RE: COMMUNICATION – Committee of the Whole (2), November 12, 2024**

**Item # 5**

**VAUGHAN PILOT DESIGNATED HERITAGE PROPERTY GRANT PROGRAM – REVISED**

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### **Recommendation**

1. THAT Recommendation 3 of Committee of the Whole (2) Report titled "VAUGHAN PILOT DESIGNATED HERITAGE PROPERTY GRANT PROGRAM – REVISED" be revised to:

"THAT Council approve a reserve fund for the program with an initial \$200,000 from tax revenue plus possible donations to the heritage grant program."

### **Background**

Ontario properties designated under Parts IV, Conservation of Property of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest, or V, Heritage Conservation Districts, of the *Ontario Heritage Act* ("OHA") can apply for the Heritage Property Grant Program.

Section 37 of the OHA gives Council the authority to enter into heritage easement agreements with property owners. These agreements protect properties of cultural heritage value by setting restrictions on modifications that may alter or damage heritage features. The purpose is to preserve these elements and maintain the character of heritage properties and establish the necessary security, often a letter of credit, to preserve, maintain, and repair those aspects of cultural heritage. The Letter of Credit is only used in cases where the Owner does not follow the agreed-upon restoration plan, does not fix damage to the property, or carries out required maintenance or rebuilding of cultural elements. If these events occur, the letter of credit is used for the City to complete those works themselves. Once repairs are completed, any funds left over from the letter of credit are returned to the financial institution.

Staff want to clarify that Letter of Credit funds will not be directly part of the proposed budget of the Pilot Program. While such funds in the form of a letter of credit will not be included in the proposed budget for the Pilot Program, applicants to the Pilot Program

must be designated under Sections V and VI of the OHA and, therefore, may be subject to an easements which may include a Letter of Credit. If an Applicant defaults on the their agreement in the letter of understanding, and they are subject to an easement under the OHA which includes a Letter of Credit, the City can use the letter of to complete any restoration on the property and reimburse any city funds provided, including grant dollars, used to complete the project.

For more information, contact Shahrzad Davoudi-Stirke, Manager of Urban Design and Cultural Heritage, ext.8653

Respectfully submitted by

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Haiqing Xu". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Haiqing Xu, Deputy City Manager,  
Planning and Growth Management