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**Subject:** [External] Fw: Meeting regarding resolution to conduct peer reviews

Good day,

In relation to this subject, the report from the city mentions that;

"Staff do not object to a peer review if there is a reasonable ground that questions the quality and validity of a study or report. However, peer reviews can become very costly and time consuming"

"The studies and reports are under review by City staff and external agencies, including the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority. Staff from the relevant professional disciplines have not, to date, identified the need for a peer review of any of the studies"

As far as I understand, the response from the city staff stresses the fact they (alone with other mentioned external agencies) are capable of reviewing the studies submitted by the applicant and this consequently means that they should be responsible for any flaws in these studies.

To give an example, during my daily commute to work, my trip from my house at Kilmuir gate to the closest point at Langstaff road (which, for me, is the point at which I can say that I passed through the traffic that is directly related to the area where I live) is typically 3-6 minutes according to google maps (including the pre-covid times), in that regards I would like to address the city staff with some questions through the clerks office;

- Did you run any simulations to tell about what I should expect this trip will take after more than 1200 cars are introduced to the neighbourhood. I would like to get an approximate answer from you in order for me to set my expectations?

- In case the trip (according to google maps or other similar tools - as a reasonably accurate and an unbiased source) determines the time of this trip in the future to be 50% higher than your simulation or double what it is today right after the introduction of this large number of cars, then it is expected that my quality of life will be significantly affected due the poor judgement of the city staff. As a resident, do I have my rights protected in a way that allows me to hold the city of Vaughan accountable and liable for the mistakes done by those who reviewed the applicants' studies (especially if some or all of the main decision makers are not

on the scene anymore, such as being retired or probably assumed positions in other careers or even countries). Where would the liability be at that point??!

Please advise clear answers to the above questions.

Thanks,

Hatem ABOU EL NILE  
■ Kilmuir Gate, Vaughan

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**Sent:** Monday, May 31, 2021, 09:41:17 a.m. EDT

**Subject:** Meeting regarding resolution to conduct peer reviews

Hello,

Vaughan Council on July 15, 2020 adopted the following resolution related to development applications for the lands occupied by the Board of Trade Golf Course:

“That Council direct funds be set aside from the appropriate reserve to conduct peer reviews that staff identify as necessary, in consultation with the Community Working Group, and as approved by Council.”

This resolution regarding conducting a peer review of studies/reports submitted in support of the applications will be considered at a virtual Committee of the Whole Meeting on:

**Tuesday, June 8, 2021**

**At 1:00 P.M.**

**As a result of COVID-19, Vaughan City Hall and all other City facilities are closed to the public at this time. A live stream of the meeting is available at [Vaughan.ca/LiveCouncil](https://www.vaughan.ca/LiveCouncil)**

To make an electronic deputation at the meeting please contact the Office at the City Clerk at [clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:clerks@vaughan.ca) or **905-832-8504**.

This courtesy meeting notice is being provided because you had asked to receive a copy of any notices for future meetings dealing with these applications. If you have any questions, please contact Clement Messere, by email at [clement.messere@vaughan.ca](mailto:clement.messere@vaughan.ca) or at 905-832-8585, Ext 8409. A copy of the staff report will be available by the end of June 1, 2021 on the City's website at [www.vaughan.ca](http://www.vaughan.ca).

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION DURING OFFICE CLOSURE:** Any person who is unable to attend the meeting, may make a written submission, together with reasons for support or opposition. Written submissions on an Application shall only be received until 12:00 p.m. on the last business day prior to the day of the scheduled meeting. Written submissions can be mailed and/or emailed to:

City of Vaughan

Office of the City Clerk

2141 Major Mackenzie Drive, Vaughan, ON L6A 1T1

[clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:clerks@vaughan.ca)

Regards,

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