CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 25, 2022

Item 9, Report No. 1, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on January 25, 2022.

9. COUNCIL MEMBER OFFICE STAFFING

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendations contained in the following resolution of Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca dated January 18, 2022:

Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor Rosanna DeFrancesca

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