# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - JANUARY 12, 2010

# POTENTIAL AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPLAINT PROTOCOL

#### **Recommendation**

The Accountability and Transparency Committee recommends that in our desire to be open and transparent the Affidavit be amended to require the complainant to sign an acknowledgement that his/her identity will be disclosed as noted in the Complaint Protocol and not be treated as confidential.

## **Contribution to Sustainability**

None.

## **Economic Impact**

None.

## **Communications Plan**

The Affidavit will be amended to inform the complainant of disclosure.

# <u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of the report is for Council to approve the addition to the Complaint Protocol affidavit.

#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

The current approved protocol states that the name of the complainant "*shall not be treated as confidential information*". To ensure that the complainant is aware of this requirement, the Accountability and Transparency Committee, at its meeting of January 11, 2010, recommended:

"That in our desire to be open and transparent the affidavit be amended to require the complainant to sign an acknowledgement that his/her identity will be disclosed as noted in the Complaint Protocol and not be treated as confidential.".

#### Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

#### **Regional Implications**

None.

## Conclusion

The Affidavit will be amended to inform the complainant of disclosure.

#### **Attachments**

None.

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Respectfully submitted,

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