COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - NOVEMBER 18, 2002

BLOCK 32 OVERPASS

Resolution

WHEREAS there is strong public opposition among local residents in Block 32 to the construction of an overpass bridge over Highway 400; and,

WHEREAS the reasons for opposition includes concerns over increases in vehicular traffic volume, pedestrian safety, increases in truck traffic, pollution, the safety of children and neighbourhood noise; and,

WHEREAS the overpass bridge will be a visual intrusion within the immediate neighbourhood and a general disruption to residents use of the neighbourhood; and,

WHEREAS improvements to surrounding arterial roads such as Major Mackenzie Drive and Weston Road would appear to be able to accommodate area traffic; and,

WHEREAS the presence of the overpass will have an impact on local property values; and

WHEREAS the Planning Act requires that a Public Hearing be held prior to Council Adoption of an Official Plan Amendment;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT City of Vaughan proceed with a Public Hearing on the basis that the overpass over Highway 400 in Block 32 be deleted; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT City of Vaughan Council directs Community Planning Staff to prepare an amendment to Official Plan Amendment 600 to delete the Highway 400 overpass bridge located in Block 32.

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Respectfully submitted,

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