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Please note there may be further Communications.

Magnifico, Rose

Subject: FW: comments - public hearing- Thornhill Centre Street Area Land Use Study May 15

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From: Sharon Haniford [<mailto:shanifor@toronto.ca>]

Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2012 4:48 PM

To: Shefman, Alan; Clerks@vaughan.ca; Schulte, Deb

Subject: comments - public hearing- Thornhill Centre Street Area Land Use Study May 15

To: The City Clerk, City of Vaughan
Committee of the Whole
City Council, City of Vaughan
Councillor Schulte
Councillor Shefman

I will be attending the Committee of the Whole (Public Hearing) on May 15th regarding the Thornhill Centre Street Area Land Use Study and Draft Land Use Plan. I'm not sure if I will have the opportunity to speak to the matter, but in case I do not, I would like to submit my comments as follows so that you are aware of my views on this matter.

I have reviewed the various reports that are available on the City's website and I am opposed to the current plan for Centre Street between New Westminister Drive and Concord Road on the north side of Centre Street.

I do not agree with the heights of buildings proposed at and in the vicinity of New Westminister Drive. Twelve storeys at the corner of New Westminister and Centre is too high. Similarly the proposed 10 storeys just west of that is too high. It is higher than and very different from the buildings on the northeast and south east corners of New Westminister and Centre. The height of the existing building at the north east corner of Centre and New Westminister signals the change, leaving Centre and moving into the low rise neighbourhood. A building of a similar 5 storey height would provide a gateway and be appropriate. Rather than every corner of the intersection being different and forming a hodge podge of built form.

On Sheppard Avenue, between Bathurst and Dufferin Streets, where there is a subway station (the Downsview Station) located at the intersection of Sheppard and Dufferin, condominium buildings are being built in the order of 9 storeys in height and a number of new buildings are lower than that - at 5-7 storeys. The order of transit which may occur on Centre Street between Bathurst and Dufferin is considerably less than a subway station and does not provide justification for a 10 or 12 or even 9 storey building.

In addition, the townhouse proposed at the rear of the proposed food store at New Westminister and running west for the length of Katerina Avenue are shown as having a long east/west driveway with garages at the rear. Those garages on a lane may be a sort of urban trend of the moment, but that is not a familiar form in the neighbourhood. Further, the houses along Katerina would be better off with a normal back to back / rear yard to rear yard relationship with the proposed town houses rather than a lane in their backyard, which has "no eyes on the street" so to speak on it.

That proposed lane raises safety concerns. Who would feel safe walking in their, who can see anyone walking that lane. Nothing animates that lane. The lane raises safety issues and could become a place for hanging out that is simply inappropriate. There should be townhouses with windows and doors facing a street or lane, with backyards backing onto the Katerina backyards.

Similarly, for Lawrie Road, there should not be a driving lane beside their back yards, but rather a back to back/ rear yard to rear yard situation.

Existing residents should not have their homes and back yards negatively impacted by shadows and drive lanes. And it is not a justification to state what the as of right would allow. Because the as of right would allow significantly less redevelopment and it could be massed in ways that have much less impact. That is an old argument that is often raised but is not realistic either as good planning and site plan approval etc... would result in much less impact.

Centre Street has limited intensification prospects given that the south side of Centre in this study area comprises back yards of houses. That does not mean the intensification should be made up entirely on the north side and in an unbalanced manner.

Condominiums along Centre Street could have podiums with townhouses within the lower floors so that there is not just one entry door, but multiple entry doors on the street, animating Centre Street and providing eyes on the street at the street level. It is important to ensure

Where is the new park(s) for the new residents of the proposed new buildings? They will have children and dogs. One would hope the new units are required to provide family size units and not just small units. Is a new off leash dog park proposed for people who will not have back yards? The City has a choice to obtain parkland or cash-in-lieu. The City should obtain parkland but I do not see a new park in this entire plan.

The Condominiums by Disera on the other hand provided a park. I do not see much useable green, outdoor amenity space being provided for the new residents of the proposed buildings. This lack of park and green space is not good planning.

I have heard that arguments have been made by the land owners along Centre for these lands to have buildings as high as the condominiums that are between Disera and Bathurst to the north of Walmart. I would remind you that those buildings do not have a context of being adjacent to low rise detached houses and townhouses - they are not adjacent to the low rise neighbourhood. They are an isolated pocket - with an entirely different context. As it is, their height causes significant shadow and wind on the newly created streets and sidewalks around these buildings which is counter productive to a pedestrian and cycling, transit oriented environment.

The study needs more work. It needs changes as outlined above.

I urge the City Council not to approve the plan as currently proposed. We need to get it right as we will all live with it for a very long time. Good planning is about more than intensification. And the Provincial Policy Statement and Growth Plan are not just about intensification nor do they direct intensification of a specific height to Centre Street.

Sincerely,

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Report No. 21 Item No. 6
CW Council May 29, 2012



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May 15, 2012

City of Vaughan
Clerk's Department
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MGP File: 05-1487
Your File: 19T-10V004

Attention: Mr. Jeffery Abrams
City Clerk

Dear Mr. Abrams:

RE: Continued Concern with the Land Use Plans for Block 61 West (Nashville Heights) within the Kleinburg-Nashville Secondary Plan and Volume 2 of the City of Vaughan's Official Plan

Further to my letter of May 18, 2010 (Attachment 'A') and Mr. Aaron Hershoff's letter dated January 13, 2009 (Attachment 'B'), I am writing to you on behalf of my client, the Nashville Heights Landowners Group, to express a continuing concern with the Land Use Plans for Block 61 West (Nashville Heights) in the Kleinburg-Nashville Secondary Plan (File #12.5.12.3) and within Volume 2 of the City's Official Plan. In both instances, the documents do not reflect the approved Secondary Plan (OPA 699) (Attachment 'C') or the approved Block Plan (Attachment 'D'). As such it is requested that the City revise both documents to reflect the approvals that are in place.

Kleinburg-Nashville Secondary Plan

I have made previous submissions on the Kleinburg Nashville Focused Area Review requesting that the Land Use Plan for OPA 699 and/or the Council approved Block Plan be used for Schedule B1. The current version of Schedule B1 is of continued concern as it is not consistent with either OPA 699 or the approved Block Plan and should be changed. Specifically, the location of the "northern greenway", residential uses and parkland do not reflect the approved Block Plan. This request is consistent with my previous submissions and if granted will prevent future confusion as these lands develop.

Volume 2

It is my understanding that Volume 2 of Vaughan's new Official Plan is intended to incorporate existing Secondary Plans with only minor changes as necessary to create policies and land use categories that are consistent with Volume 1. Having reviewed the contents of Section 12.8, I am generally satisfied that the intent of OPA 699 is upheld. However, I do have some concerns, they are as follows:

12.8.7.1 requires that Block 61 west shall be planned at a density of 50 residents and jobs per hectare. As the application for Block 61 West predates the Growth Plan, this requirement is not consistent with the OPA 699 or the provincial transition policies. This policy should be amended to be more permissive to recognize the status of the lands.

Section 12.8.10 CP Intermodal Yard and Railway Line was not included in OPA 699 and includes new provisions that may prejudice existing approvals. As CP Rail and the city have previously provided Draft Plan conditions, the following subsections should be deleted as they were not included in OPA 699: 12.8.10.1 through 12.8.10.5 inclusive. Subsections 12.8.10.6 through 12.8.10.8 inclusive reflect the policies of OPA 699 and should be retained.

Sections 12.8.12.1 through 12.8.12.4 should be deleted in their entirety as they are new policies not previously contained in OPA 699. Subsection 12.8.12.5 through 12.8.12.7 reflect the language contained in OPA 699 and should remain.

Map 12.8.A. use of height and coverage / Floor Area Ratios. As Block 61 West was planned based on units per hectare and maximum height, it may not be possible to work within the density requirements shown. It is therefore requested that all references to Density be removed from the map and that the only regulator of built form continue to be units per hectare and building height.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 905-513-0170.

Yours very truly,

MALONE GIVEN PARSONS LTD.



Don Given, MCIP, RPP
President
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ATTACHMENT 'A'

MGP Letter to the City dated May 18, 2010

May 18, 2010

Mr. Jeffrey Abrams
Clerk's Department
City of Vaughan
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive
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05:1487

Dear Mr. Abrams:

**Re: Comments on behalf of Nashville Heights Landowners Group:
Kleinburg Nashville Focussed Area Review
(File # KN – 25.5.12.3)**

I am writing to you on behalf of my clients, the Nashville Heights Landowners Group, with respect to the recent Statutory Open House for the Kleinburg-Nashville Focussed Area Review and forthcoming Secondary Plan for Kleinburg-Nashville.

Having reviewed recommended option for Area 1 (Nashville) I am concerned that the City's consultant has not given due consideration to the Council adopted, Region approved OPA 699 (Attachment 1) and the Block Plan (Attachment 2) that is currently being circulated for comments by City Departments and outside agencies or the Council resolution which specifically removed the lands within Block 61 West from Study. Instead the City's consultant is proposing a solution (Attachment 3) that is not consistent with the aforementioned documents, the policies contained in OPA 601 and the Council resolution which removed Block 61 West from the Focussed Area Review.

Specifically, the preferred option proposes to create a laneway that will separate the existing community from the new community with houses only having access from the laneway as they will be separated from the nearest road by a 25 metre wide linear park. The proposed location of the linear park is contrary to our understanding of why the connection was requested by the City, specifically to provide opportunities for wildlife and plant movement between the woodlot to the west and the central woodlot and watercourse in Block 61 West. By placing the park in the front yards, adjacent to a road, the potential effectiveness of the connection will be lost. It would also create a situation in which houses will not have direct access to a street from their front doors.

May 18, 2010

Schedule 14 – Areas Subject to Volume 2 Policies of the Official Plan identifies Block 61 West – Nashville Heights as being subject to its own Site and Area Specific Areas. Policy 10.2.1.5 of the Plan provides the framework for considering OPA 699 within the context of the Official Plan. It clearly states that “the Volume 2 policies shall prevail”. As such, and considering that Nashville is identified as being within a *Secondary Plan Areas to be Approved*, it is improper to promote design options that are not consistent with the adopted and approved OPA.

The manner in which the City’s consultant proposes land uses within Block 61 West:

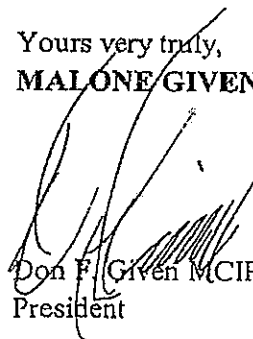
- is outside of the area subject to the approved Terms of Reference for the Study;
- does not consider or comply with the resolution of Council which removed Block 61 West from the Study Area;
- is not consistent with OPA 699 which was adopted by the City and approved by the Region;
- is not consistent with the Policies contained within Section 10.2.1.5 and shown on Schedule 14 of the City’s Draft Official Plan; and,
- is not consistent with Block Plan that is currently being circulated to commenting agencies and City departments.

Based on these reasons, any preferred alternative recommended by the City’s consultant must conform to OPA 699. As such the design of the interface between the properties along Nashville and the lands within OPA 699 should be consistent with the Block Plan being circulated and not the plan proposed by the City’s consulting team.

Should you require additional information or wish to discuss my concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours very truly,

MALONE GIVEN PARSONS LTD.



Don F. Given MCIP, RPP
President

attachments

- cc:
- Councillor Peter Meffe, Chair Official Plan Review Committee
 - Mr. John Zipay, Commissioner of Planning
 - Ms Diana Birchall, Director, Policy Planning Department
 - Mr. Roy McQuillan, Manager of Corporate Policy
 - Mr. Mauro Peverini, Manager, Policy Planning Department
 - Mr. Ted Radlak, Senior Planner, Policy Planning Department
 - Ms Judy Jeffers, Planner, Development Planning Department
 - Mr. Ron Palmer, The Planning Partnership
 - Nashville Heights Landowners Group

2.0 THE BLOCK PLAN

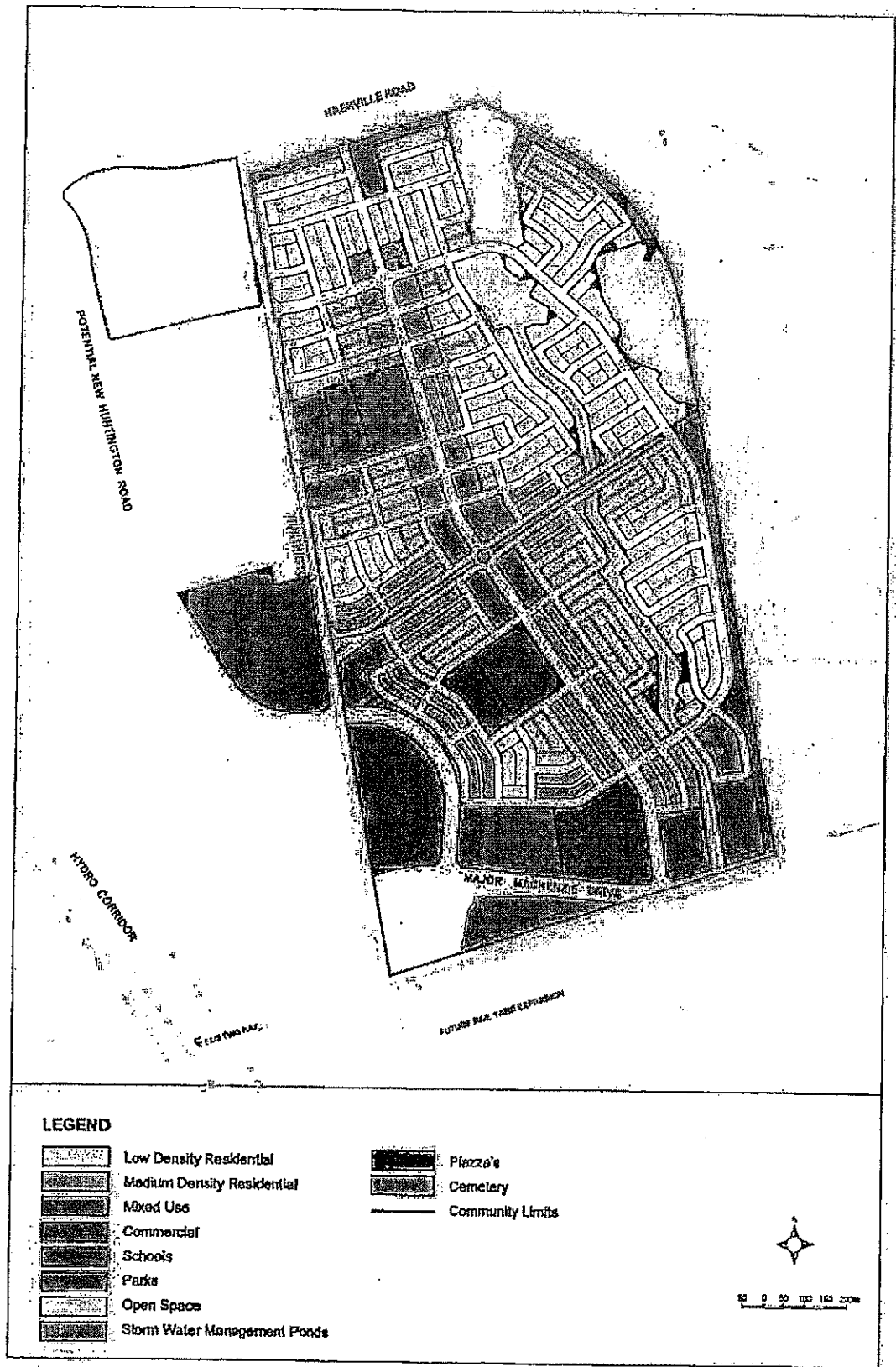
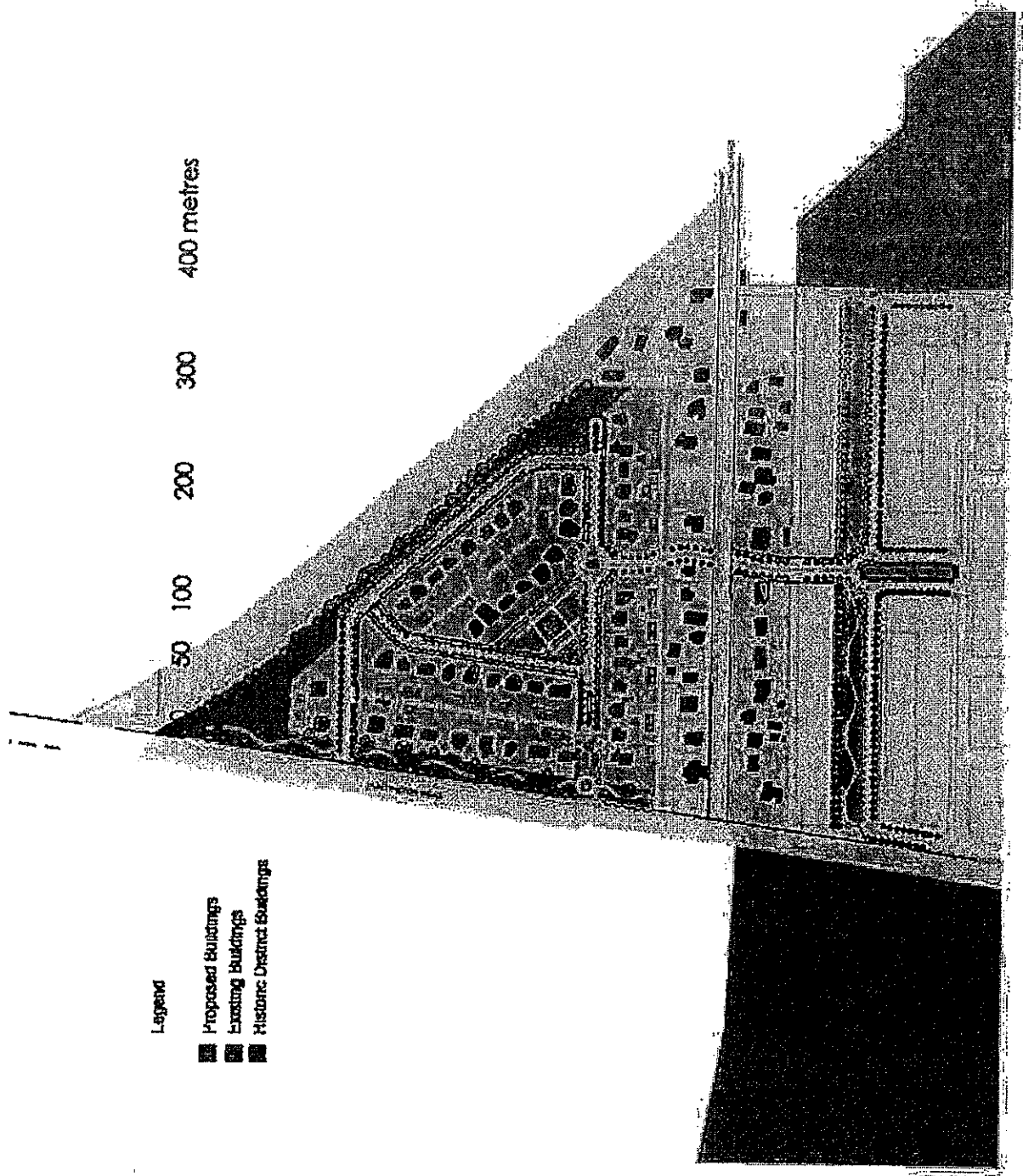


Figure 5: Block Plan

Preferred Plan



Legend

- Proposed Buildings
- Existing Buildings
- Historic District Buildings

ATTACHMENT 'B'

MGP Letter to The Planning Partnership dated January 13, 2009



January 13, 2009

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File No. 05:1487

Dear Mr. Palmer;

RE: Kleinburg-Nashville Focused Area Review

I am writing to you on behalf of my clients, the Nashville Heights Landowners Group, with respect to information presented at the recent public open house for the Kleinburg Nashville Focused Area Review (KNFAR). Of specific interest to my clients is the options presented for the interface between the lands along the south side of Nashville Road and the lands in Block 61 West. From the presentation and our discussion, you indicated that you are open to considering other options for this interface. After consulting with my clients, and the other members of our consulting team, we continue to support Option 1 and would recommend against revisions to the Block Plan as these revisions may not conform to OPA 699. In addition to the potential conflict with OPA 699 the following reasons provide additional reasons to select Option 1 over other the other options presented:

- The creation of the greenway at its location shown in Option 1 occurred in response to information your firm presented at an earlier KNFAR open house;
- The creation of the greenway is consistent with information presented at the Vaughan Tomorrow Open House with respect to promoting connectivity between woodland communities;
- The creation of the greenway is consistent with OPA 601's desire to promote connection between the central watercourse and eastern woodlot to a woodlot located west of Huntington Road;
- The greenway was identified in OPA 699, the implementing OPA for this Block;
- The creation of a greenway provides a buffer between the existing, lower density community and the proposed more urban community of Nashville Heights;
- The location of the greenway, adjacent to a park, allows for the creation of gateway feature to the planned community, further distinguishing it from the existing community of Nashville;

- The configuration of the greenway in Option 1 as compared to Option 2 allows for the lands to be dedicated to the City as parkland; and
- The creation of a greenway contributes to an increase in the land area associated with the open space and natural heritage systems.

A full description of the Block Plan and how this greenway has been integrated into its design can be found in the Nashville Heights – Block 61 West Block Plan Report (December 2009) submitted to the City of Vaughan.

While the Nashville Heights Landowners Group controls the majority of lands within Block 61 West, it should be noted that the lands adjacent to the study area are currently owned by a landowner who is not actively participating in the planning process. This landowner should be consulted as she may have her own preferences for the manner in which the land is ultimately developed.

Should you like to discuss this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me at (905)513-0170.

Yours truly,

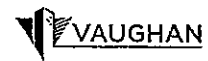
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Aaron Hershoff, MCIP, RPP
Project Manager

cc: Mr. John Zipay, Commissioner of Planning, City of Vaughan
Ms Diana Birchall, Director, Policy Planning, City of Vaughan
Mr. Ted Radlak, Senior Planner, City of Vaughan
Nashville Heights Landowners Group

ATTACHMENT 'C'
Approved Secondary Plan (OPA 699)



A Copy of this Attachment containing
66 pages is available in the City Clerk's
Office .

ATTACHMENT 'D'
Approved Nashville Heights Block Plan



A Copy of this Attachment containing
31 pages is available in the City Clerk's
Office.



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Report No. 21	Item No. 18 ⁺
Council	May 29/12

DATE: May 24, 2012

TO: Mayor Bevilacqua & Members of Council

RE: **Item 17 – Kleinburg Business Improvement Area Appointments**
Item 18 – Kleinburg Business Improvement Area – Budget Apportionment Change

This matter was deferred to Council at the request of staff to enable an assessment of a revised petition submitted by some members of the KBIA to dissolve that body.

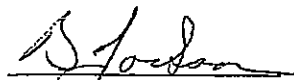
Staff has now determined that the petition still does not comply with the requirements of subsection 211(2) of the Municipal Act and accordingly the petitioners have been advised that further revision is necessary in order for it to be capable of being processed by the City.

In any event, Council should be aware that even if the petition is properly constituted, and Council decides to dissolve the KBIA after following the process as set out in the Act, that dissolution can take place as late as December 31, 2012.

Therefore, Council may still consider:

- 1) The recommendation in Item 17 to:
 - Enlarge the membership of the KBIA from seven (7) to twelve (12) members;
 - Approve the recommended appointments to the KBIA ; and
 - Appoint a member of Council to the KBIA Board.
- 2) The recommendation in Item 18:
 - To direct the City Clerk to provide the necessary notice to amend the current bylaw to increase the minimum and maximum special charges for 2012.

Respectively submitted,


Barry E. Jackson
Director of Financial Services


Jeffrey Abrjams
City Clerk

Copy: Clayton D. Harris, City Manager
Barbara Cribbett, Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer



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Report No. 21 Item No. 18
Council May 29/12

DATE: May 25, 2012
TO: Mayor Bevilacqua & Members of Council
RE: Item 18 – Kleinburg Business Improvement Area – Budget Apportionment Change

On March 26, 2012 the City received from the Kleinburg Business Improvement Area (KBIA) Chair, Ms. Louise Zembal, the 2012 KBIA budget that was approved by the KBIA Board on March 21, 2012.

Before the budget can be approved the minimum and maximum special charges referred to in this item must be finalized so that the individual KBIA charges can be calculated. The recommendation in front of Council today is to direct the City Clerk, in accordance with subsection 210(1) of the Municipal Act, to provide notice to all KBIA Commercial/Industrial owners informing them of the request received from the KBIA Board of Management to increase the minimum and maximum special charges for 2012, 2013 and 2014.

It should be noted that subsection 210(3) of the Municipal Act sets out the following conditions for when a municipality cannot pass a by-law such as the proposed minimum/maximum special charges by-law:

- written objections are received by the Clerk of the municipality within 60 days after the last day of mailing of the notices;
- the objections have been signed by at least one-third of the total number of persons entitled to notice; and
- the objectors are responsible for at least one-third of the taxes levied for purposes of the general local municipality levy on rateable property in all prescribed property classes in the improvement area.

Following the objection period, pursuant to the legislation, the Clerk determines whether the required conditions have been met and, if they are, issues a certificate affirming that fact.

Until such time as the minimum and maximum special charges have been finalized, the City is not in a position to consider the 2012 budget submitted by the KBIA. The KBIA may, however, spend "carry over" funds from its approved 2011 budget, which amount to approximately \$8,700 at this time.

Recommendation

That the KBIA 2012 budget approved at the KBIA Board on March 21, 2012, be received.

Respectively submitted,

Barry E. Jackson
Director of Financial Services

Jeffrey A. Abrams
City Clerk

Attachment: Correspondence from Ms. Louise Zembal, KBIA Chair, dated March 26, 2012

Copy: Clayton D. Harris, City Manager
Barbara Cribbett, Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer



The Village of Kleinburg
Business Improvement Association
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March 26, 2012

Ms. Maureen Zabiuk,
Finance Department
City of Vaughan
2141 Major Mackenzie Dr.,
Vaughan, ON L6A 1T1

RE: List of BIA Board Members, Approved BIA 2012 Budget and BIA Fee Structure

Dear Ms. Zabiuk,

Please find attached the approved List of BIA Board of Directors for 2012. Also attached is the BIA 2012 Budget and BIA Fee Structure approved at the BIA Board meeting of Wednesday, March 21, 2012. Please send this to Vaughan Council for approval. Thank you.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Louise Zembal', is written over a faint, illegible printed name.

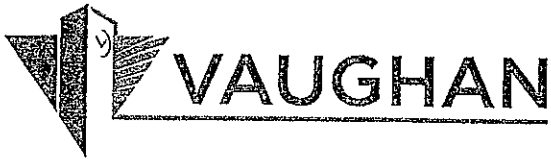
Louise Zembal, BIA Chair

cc Maria Furlano and Giovanna Luciani-Lamb, BIA co-secretaries

Approved 2012 Kleinburg BIA Budget

1	BIA Insurance	\$1,500
2	Website Design/ Hosting	\$2,500
3	Advertising & Marketing	\$20,000
4	BIA Events	\$10,000
5	Sponsorship	\$500
6	Miscellaneous/ Office	\$500
7	Other- Streetscape Funding, etc.	\$10,000
	Total	\$45,000
	LESS: 2011 "Carry Over" Funds	\$8,758
	BIA FEES TO BE COLLECTED BY CITY	\$36,242

Approved by BIA Board March 21, 2012



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CW Council May 29/12

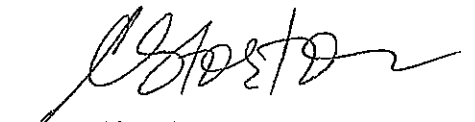
DATE: May 25, 2012
TO: Mayor and Members of Council
FROM: Heather A. Wilson
Director of Legal Services
RE: Deputation – Ms. Olena Streletska with respect to the
AI Palladini Cell Tower

On May 24, 2011, Council enacted By-law 76-2011, which authorized the execution of lease agreement with Rogers Communications Inc. The lease is for a term of 10 years commencing June 1, 2011 and ending May 31, 2021, with an option to renew at Rogers discretion for an additional 10 years. The annual rent of \$22,500.00, with the rents compounded at 3.5% for years 2 to 4, 2% for years 5 to 8, 3% for years 9 and 10, 5% for year 11 and 3% for years 12 to 20 inclusive.

The rent for the first 10 year period totals \$256,170.00 and \$344,825.00 for the second 10 year term, for a total of \$600,995.00, which would be lost if the lease were terminated.

In addition, if the tower owner agreed to move, the tower owner would likely seek an alternative location for the tower on private property in the immediate vicinity to support the network.

A confidential communication has also been provided to Council.


per **Heather A. Wilson**
Director of Legal Services
HAW/gg

Copy to: Clayton D. Harris
City Manager

Janice Atwood-Petkovski
Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services

Barbara Cribbett
Commissioner of Finance and City Treasurer

Marlon Kallideen
Commissioner of Community Services

Jeffrey A. Abrams
City Clerk

Magnifico, Rose

From: sol isaac <solisaac@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 28, 2012 8:55 AM
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Subject: Proposed Land Use on Centre Street

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Report No. <u>23</u>	Item No. <u>1</u>
PH Council	May 29, 2012

Dear Sir / Madam,

I would like to oppose aspects of the proposed development on Centre Street. Firstly, over the past number of years, there has been significant development specifically of high rise buildings on the east side of New Westminister from Brownridge to just north of Centre Street. There are already 9 very tall condo buildings with a further 3 in construction. The 12 high rise buildings have changed the landscape and the density of the area considerably, many are now living in the shadows of these buildings. The traffic patterns on New Westminister have changed and will continue to change as the 3 buildings being constructed are completed. Additionally, we already have a retirement home at the north east corner of Centre and New Westminister.

I live in a townhouse on Miriam Garden Way, and have been living in Thornhill since 1982. The proposed 12 story building at the corner of Centre and New Westminister means that I will be living directly in the shadow of yet another tall condo building. The proposed erection of of this building will put all the adjacent detached houses on Katerina and roads adjacent in shadow. Additionally, the privacy of these owners will be eliminated as a tower overlooks their houses and back yards. Density and privacy was a significant factor when I purchased my home, this is now being destroyed.

While I understand the desire to develop the area, I am strongly opposed to additional high rise buildings being erected. Any further development in the area should be low rise buildings, 3 - 4 stories maximum to preserve the density, privacy and investment of the current residents of this area. Additionally, the traffic along New Westminister and Centre is already increasing with the current high rise buildings, the proposed changes will further worsen it. Had I planned to live in such a dense environment, I would have lived in Toronto close to a subway and suffered the lifestyle that I did not choose. Instead, I made the lifestyle choice to Thornhill with its deficiencies to easy access to the TTC. Yes, I pay the additional costs for this life style, however I certainly do not want to change this lifestyle which will inevitably change dramatically with the proposed development. Additionally, I feel strongly that the value of my property and ability to sell will drop as my house will be directly overshadowed by a high rise building.

Sincerely,
Solomon Isaac
5 Miriam Garden Way.

Magnifico, Rose

From: Terry Robinson <tgteechurs@sympatico.ca>
Sent: Monday, May 28, 2012 7:48 AM
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca
Subject: proposed development

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Report No. 23 Item No. 1
PH Council May 29, 2012

Hello,

It has come to my attention that there is a proposed 10-12 story building on center street.
what will be the impact on local traffic?

There has already been problems with flooding backup south of centre.

will the city be responsible for any further damages to existing homes and neighborhoods?

But most importantly, Why were we not informed of this possibility?
a concerned taxpayer.

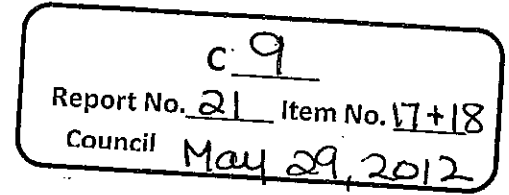
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The Village of Kleinburg
Business Improvement Association
BOX 152, VILLAGE OF KLEINBURG
ONTARIO, CANADA L0J 1C0

May 23, 2012

Mr. J. Abrams, City Clerk,
City of Vaughan
2141 Major Mackenzie Dr.,
Vaughan, On L6A 1T1



RE: 1. Committee of the Whole-May 15, 2012- Items #17 & #18
2. 2012 BIA Budget

Dear Mr. Abrams,

We understand that the above items regarding the Kleinburg BIA appointments (Item #17) and Kleinburg BIA Budget Apportionment Change (Item #18) were deferred at the May 15th, 2012 Committee of the Whole. Without Council approval of the above items AND the 2012 BIA Budget (as approved by the KBIA March 21, 2012), the Kleinburg BIA will run out of operating funds for 2012.

The Kleinburg BIA approved a motion at its last monthly BIA meeting to:

1. Request from the City of Vaughan Clerk the reasons for the deferral of Items #17 and #18 at the May 15th, 2012 Committee of the Whole and;
2. Request that the City of Vaughan Clerk's office provide a certified copy of the signed petition received from some business and property owners to dissolve the BIA by-law and the current legal status of the petition;
3. Request that Vaughan Council approve the 2012 Budget as approved, at the next Vaughan Council meeting in order to secure the operation of the Kleinburg BIA in 2012.
4. Provide the City of Vaughan Council and staff with the letter entitled "*Open Letter from the BIA Board of Directors to the Kleinburg BIA Membership*".

Please provide the Kleinburg BIA with the above information so that we may plan and proceed appropriately, given the delays in approval of the Kleinburg BIA budget to date. We look forward to your prompt reply.

Sincerely,

Louise Zembal, BIA Chair

cc Mayor and Members of Vaughan Council
BIA Board of Directors

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CLERK'S DEPT.

Open Letter from the BIA Board of Directors to the Kleinburg BIA Membership

The Kleinburg BIA has a long history of representing business and property owners in the Village Core. The BIA has shown leadership within the City's business community and is Vaughan's only BIA. Its volunteer business and property owners have been promoting and bringing business to Kleinburg for over 4 decades. Without a strong and united BIA, property and business owners in Kleinburg will lose their recognized voice at the City of Vaughan and in the community. A strong and united BIA protects the interest of current and future property and business owners. A strong and united BIA will bring *awareness* and a *coordinated strategy* to a "Shop, Dine, Explore" destination. The BIA is also uniquely positioned to best market the village as a unique, heritage commercial district that is open for business to the City of Vaughan, York Region and beyond. Recently, the BIA has successfully lobbied the City of Vaughan making them acutely aware of the many challenges of doing business in a heritage district, namely dealing with restrictions of signage and patios, building additions and renovations, zoning and parking restrictions, etc. This was *only possible* because the BIA presented the shared concerns of so many businesses united in a common goal. *This united voice is a necessity; its achievements are something we should be proud of, and continue to build upon.*

Over the past several weeks, there has been much discussion throughout the business community in Kleinburg, with respect to the BIA's methods of operation and its budget. The silver lining around this discussion seems to be the interest people have started to take in the BIA and its role in the business community. In the past, this interest was shared by a limited number of business owners. An effective, fully represented BIA can and will result in a better strategy for increased business to its members. An effective and fully represented BIA can only work with a united membership.

It is the responsibility of business owners to make decisions based on facts. Factual information regarding the operation of the BIA or its operating expenses, can be provided by the BIA Board at the request of any BIA member. This information is thoroughly reviewed by the City of Vaughan's auditors. The BIA fees paid by each property and business owner are pooled together into the BIA budget to bring maximum benefit to all business owners. *The City does not keep any of this money, nor use it for any other reason.*

This is what dissolving the Kleinburg BIA would result in:

- No clear voice for the business and property owners of the Kleinburg Village Core at the City of Vaughan and within the community;
- Loss of credibility within the community and the City of Vaughan as an organized business community;
- No coordinated or strategic marketing and advertising for businesses in Kleinburg;
- Serious risk of delaying or ending plans for the *Kleinburg Streetscape Master Plan* design and construction (to date the City has spent approx. \$150,000 to create this plan);
- Serious risk of ending the *KEDS (Kleinburg Economic Development Strategy)* plan to revitalize the Kleinburg core with the strong support of the City of Vaughan Economic Development department; *The BIA has petitioned the City for this study since 2005;*
- Little or no support from the City of Vaughan to implement real changes to the obstacles for business and development in the Kleinburg core: sign by-law, traffic concerns, zoning by-laws, heritage concerns;
- Serious division and conflict among BIA businesses and property owners with differing ideas and no forum for constructive discussion and problem-solving for its members;
- Serious risk to effective collaboration with the McMichael Gallery and staff;
- Serious risk to effective collaboration with City of Vaughan Economic Development staff and experts;
- No BIA sponsored events: Yard Sale for the Cure, Canada Day, Art Walk, Pumpkinfest, Tree Lighting Celebration, Christmas In Kleinburg;

- No fundraising for charitable causes- Kleinburg ETA and Sick Kids Hospital. *It is very important to note that the money raised for charity does NOT, nor has it ever, come directly from the BIA budget. It has been raised through donations, sponsorships, and events;*
- No BIA sponsorship of community events: Victoria Day fireworks, local soccer club;
- Business activity in Kleinburg will suffer and businesses will suffer.

The BIA has had many challenges in the past. A lack of commitment from business owners and the lack of volunteers required for the research and leg work to implement and execute the many initiatives and events the BIA has organized has undermined its effectiveness. It has also clearly suffered from a lack of expert advice and a clear economic strategy. The past BIA Board had lobbied the City of Vaughan for years for an Economic Study and Strategy. This is now complete. The new BIA Board has an opportunity and responsibility to begin its implementation this year.

In the past couple of years much progress has been made that will result in many positive changes within our village. This progress includes:

- Proper BIA governance has been implemented with provincial and municipal assistance and direction;
- City of Vaughan Staff support through the City of Vaughan Economic Development department. City staff now attend BIA meetings and assist with new programs and initiatives such as marketing, branding and business and skills development;
- A new BIA Executive that includes a new Chair, Treasurer and Co-secretary ; Ten (10) nominated and elected BIA Board members, 8 of which have never been BIA Board or BIA Executive members- the most in recent memory;
- Three (3) new Committee Chairs for Marketing & Advertising, Events & Beautification;
- Strong collaboration with McMichael Gallery staff and the Bindertwine Committee Chair who are now part of the BIA Board, attending our meetings;
- An approved 2012 BIA Budget with \$20,000 in new funding for coordinated and strategic BIA advertising and marketing including new radio ads promoting Kleinburg businesses with opportunities for specific business promotions;
- The KEDS (Kleinburg Economic Development Strategy) was completed and a working plan has been drafted to implement a number of strategic ideas and initiatives to bring, improve and create more business;
- The Islington (Kleinburg) Master Streetscape Plan was completed and approved by Vaughan Council to commence design this year and implementation starting as early as 2013;
- Initiatives for an improved BIA website, heritage signage, possible Farmers' Market, BIA Associate Members paying fees, business recruitment, possible BIA newsletter, new commercial developments;
- Return of past successful BIA events such as The Art Walk, Pumpkinfest, and possible BIA fundraising event;

The Kleinburg BIA is essential if we expect to see improvement in business for Kleinburg. The BIA Board would like to continue to do its work and help achieve our common goal. We ask all those who have any questions or concerns regarding the BIA and its operations, to forward them to BIA Board members to ensure an open dialogue continues. It is up to individual businesses to carefully consider the benefits of a strong and united BIA and a business community that is working towards a common goal. If you have any questions or concerns; the BIA Board is open for discussion. Our mission is to protect and sustain a strong and vibrant commercial district and unique village character.

Sincerely,
Kleinburg BIA Executive and Board Members.

**AWARD OF TENDER T12-004
DON RIVER OPEN SPACE SYSTEM BARTLEY SMITH GREENWAY TRAIL EXPANSION –
PHASE 2– WARD 4**

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Directors of Parks Operations and Forestry, Purchasing Services, Legal Services and Budgeting and Financial Planning, recommends:

- 1) That Tender T12-004 for Don River Open Space System Bartley Smith Greenway Trail Expansion – Phase 2 Construction to be awarded to Pine Valley Enterprises in the amount of \$ 370,462.16, plus applicable taxes and administration recovery; and,
- 2) That a 10% contingency in the amount of \$37,046.22, plus applicable taxes and administration recovery, be approved, within which Parks Development is authorized to approve amendments to the contract; and,
- 3) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign all documentation necessary to complete the contract.

Contribution to Sustainability

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council in the Green Directions Vaughan, Community Sustainability Environmental Master Plan, Goal 2, Objective 2.2:

- To develop Vaughan as a City with maximum green space and an urban form that supports our expected population growth.

Economic Impact

Funding for the total tender costs in the amount of \$427,200 is available within the approved Capital project PK-6094-08, Don River Open Space System Bartley Smith Greenway Trail Expansion – Phase 2. An annual operating cost of \$2,435 is required as of 2013 to maintain this trail and will be considered during next year budget process.

Communications Plan

N/A.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to award Tender T12-004 – Don River Open Space System Bartley Smith Greenway Trail Expansion – Phase 2 to Pine Valley Enterprises Inc.

Background - Analysis and Options

The project is for the improvement of existing Don River Bartley Smith Trail, section between Rutherford Road and Jacob Keffer Parkway, in Ward 4.

The project consists of new trail construction including asphalt paving, granular paving, culvert drainage, wooden boardwalks and pedestrian bridge.

All twelve (12) prequalified general contractors were invited to provide bids for Tender T12-004 and were notified that the tender would close and be publicly opened on May 8, 2012. Six (6) pre-qualified bidders picked up the tender packages and five (5) bids were received as follows:

Contractor	Base Price (excl. HST)	Provisional Future Area P1-P3 (excl. HST)	Total Base plus Provisional's (excl. HST)
Pine Valley Enterprises Inc.*	\$ 367,462.16	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 370,462.16
Mopal Construction Ltd.	\$ 385,107.60	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 388,107.60
Forest Contractors Ltd.	\$ 394,934.00	\$ 3,450.00	\$ 398,384.00
560789 Ontario Limited o/a R&M Construction	\$ 446,123.42	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 449,123.42
Gateman-Milloy Inc. *	\$ 460,005.78	\$ 2,562.50	\$ 462,568.28

* Mathematical corrections

T12-004 Construction of Don River Open Space System Bartley Smith Greenway Trail Expansion – Phase 2 Financial Summary - Pine Valley Enterprises Inc.	
Approved Capital Budget (PK-6094-08)	638,600.00
Less: Expenses/ Commitments to Date	163,357.78
Current Funds Remaining	475,242.22
Tender Costs (T12-004)	370,462.16
Contingency Allowance (10%)	37,046.22
Sub-Total	407,508.38
Non Refundable Portion of HST (1.76%)	7,172.15
Sub-Total	414,680.52
Administration Recovery (3%)	12,440.42
Total Tender Costs	427,120.94
Total Tender Costs (rounded)	427,200.00
Balance Remaining	48,042.22

Expenses and commitments to date include: landscape architectural consulting fees, geotechnical consulting fees, surveying costs, tender advertising charges and permit fees. Parks Development staff has reviewed the submitted bids and are satisfied that Pine Valley Enterprises meet the requirements of the bid. Therefore, it is appropriate to award this contract to Pine Valley Enterprises Inc.

A total contingency amount of 10% of the bid price of (\$37,046.22) is requested, covered within the approved capital budget, and will be used to address any unforeseen work in completing the scope of this project. Any residual funds following completion would be allocated to other trail related projects within The Don Bartley Smith Greenway or once the work is completed and deficiencies resolved, we will recommend the project for closure.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020 / Strategic Plan

In consideration of the strategic priorities related to Vaughan Vision 2020, the project will provide:

- **STRATEGIC GOAL:**
Service Excellence - Providing service excellence to citizens.
- **STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:**
Pursue Excellence in Service Delivery; and Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness - To deliver high quality services and to promote health and wellness through design and program.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated.

Regional Implications

N/A.

Conclusion

The low bid Contractor is deemed to meet the requirements of the tender. Sufficient funding is available in the Capital Project No. PK-6094-08 to complete this project. Parks Development and Legal Services staff recommends that this contract be awarded to Pine Valley Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$370,462.16 plus contingency allowance, applicable taxes and administration recovery.

Should Council approve the award of this tender, it is anticipated that construction will commence in the summer of 2012.

Attachments

N/A.

Report prepared by:

Melanie Morris, Construction Coordinator, Ext. 8058
Vivien Lee, Landscape Architect, Ext. 8753

Respectfully submitted,



Marlon Kallideen,
Commissioner of Community Services

COUNCIL – MAY 29, 2012

**AWARD OF TENDER T12-084
BINDERTWINE TENNIS COURT RECONSTRUCTION
WARD 1**

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Report No. 21	Item No. 11
Council May 29, 2012	

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Director of Parks & Forestry Operations, Purchasing Services, Legal Services and Budgeting and Financial Planning, recommends:

- 1) That the tender T12-084 for Bindertwine Tennis Court Reconstruction works be awarded to Pine Valley Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$238,236.40, plus applicable taxes and administration recovery; and,
- 2) That a 15% contingency in the amount of \$35,735.46, plus applicable taxes and administration recovery be approved within which Parks Development is authorized to approve amendments to the contract; and,
- 3) That a bylaw be enacted authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the necessary documents.

Contribution to Sustainability

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council in the Green Directions Vaughan, Community Sustainability Environmental Master Plan, Goal 2, Objective 2.2:

- To develop Vaughan as a City with maximum green space and an urban form that supports our expected population growth.

Economic Impact

Funding for the total tender costs in the amount of \$282,200 is available within the approved Capital project PK-6257-11, Bindertwine Tennis Court Reconstruction. No additional cost operating costs will be incurred by this reconstruction project.

Communications Plan

Once the project is awarded, staff will advise the tennis club of the project timeline.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to award Tender T12-084 – Bindertwine Tennis Court Reconstruction to Pine Valley Enterprises Inc.

Background - Analysis and Options

The project is for the reconstruction of a tennis facility within a neighbourhood park located at 299 Stegman's Mill Road, in Ward 1.

This project will provide a revitalized tennis facility for the Kleinburg community and tennis club. The project will improve the existing infrastructure of the park and improve the life span of the facility.

All twelve (12) prequalified general contractors were invited to provide bids for tender T12-084 and were notified that the tender would close and be publicly opened on May 4, 2012. All bid quotes have been reviewed for compliance with Purchasing Services and confirmation was received from Legal Services. A total of six (6) bids were picked up and three (3) bids were received as follows:

Contractor	Base Price (excl. HST)	Provisional Future Area (excl. HST)	Total Base plus Provisional's (excl. HST)
Pine Valley Enterprises Inc.	\$233,336.40	\$4,900.00	\$238,236.40
Forest Contractors Ltd.	\$241,394.00	\$6,200.00	\$247,594.00
Mopal Construction Ltd.	\$259,054.50	\$6,000.00	\$265,054.50

T12-084 Bindertwine Tennis Court Reconstruction Financial Summary - Pine Valley Enterprises Inc.	
Approved Capital Budget (PK-6257-11)	318,270.00
Less: Expenses/ Commitments to Date	15,800.20
Current Funds Remaining	302,469.80
Tender Costs (T12-084)	238,236.40
Contingency Allowance (15%)	35,735.46
Sub-Total	273,971.86
Non Refundable Portion of HST (1.76%) * <i>Full HST Rebate</i>	
Sub-Total	273,971.86
Administration Recovery (3%)	8,219.16
Total Tender Costs	282,191.02
Total Tender Costs (rounded)	282,200.00
Balance Remaining	20,269.80

* Permitting parks receive a full HST rebate and therefore HST is not included in capital project.

Funds committed to date include: geotechnical, electrical, engineering and surveying consulting fees. Parks Development staff has reviewed the submitted bids and confirm the low bidder meets the requirements of the bid.

A total contingency amount of 15% of the bid price of (\$35,735.46) is requested, covered within the approved capital budget, and will be used to address any unforeseen work in this existing park in completing the scope of this project. If there are residual funds following completion and deficiencies being resolved, we will recommend the project for closure.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020 / Strategic Plan

In consideration of the strategic priorities related to Vaughan Vision 2020, the project will provide:

- STRATEGIC GOAL:
Service Excellence - Providing service excellence to citizens.
- STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:

Pursue Excellence in Service Delivery; and Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness - To deliver high quality services and to promote health and wellness through design and program.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated.

Regional Implications

There are no regional implications.

Conclusion

The low bid Contractor is deemed to meet the requirements of the tender. Sufficient funding is available in the 2011 Capital Budget (PK-6257-11) to complete this project. Parks Development staff recommend that this contract be awarded to Pine Valley Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$238,236.40 plus contingency allowance, applicable taxes and administration recovery.

Attachments

None.

Report prepared by:

Melanie Morris, Construction Coordinator, Ext. 8058
Mike Kari, Landscape Architect, Ext. 8113

Respectfully submitted,

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Marlon Kallideen,
Commissioner of Community Services

Magnifico, Rose

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Report No. 23 Item No. 1
Council May 29, 2012

From: Laurent Lebeau <laurent_lebeau@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, May 28, 2012 11:08 AM
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca
Subject: NO to the new project on Centre street

Dear Madam, Sir,

We are writing to share our disappointment and opposition to the new project on Centre street. We bought our house on Katerina St. 2 years ago because we really liked the location; a quiet street with a lot of privacy close to a plaza that offers all the amenities we were looking for; but the new project will just crush our dream and impact us financially as the price of our house would be highly impacted if we were to sell to find a "new good area" to raise our family.

Taking down the No Frills/Home Sense plaza to build buildings as high as 21 storeys is just outrageous for all the people who lives around this area and more specifically on Katerina. You would be taking away our privacy and all the so convenient amenities, generate constant noise and impact all of us financially.

I am not against improving the area but you must consider people who already live here. Renovating the plaza and build a few additional houses would be a better option. You can always build a couple of buildings along Centre St. (6 to 8 storeys maximum to respect our privacy) but leave the quiet residential area at peace.

The new project is just unacceptable so I really hope that you will take into consideration the people who already live around Centre St.

Sincerely

Laurent and Avi Lebeau

Magnifico, Rose

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Report No. 23 Item No. 1
Pt Council May 29, 2012

From: Bonsignore, Connie on behalf of Clerks@vaughan.ca
Sent: Monday, May 28, 2012 4:00 PM
To: Magnifico, Rose
Subject: FW: re centre street

Communication for Council meeting May 29, 2012.

From: howard minsker [mailto:tiredr@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, May 28, 2012 12:16 PM
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca
Subject: re centre street

Dear Sir/Madam

Please be advised that I am a home owner at 21 Lawrie Road, Thornhill.

I find it very concerning that I have never received any notices of any past meetings that have taken place when my house backs directly onto the proposed zoning sites.

I purchased my home about 4 years ago with the idea that I was moving into a quiet residential area, only to find that 4 years later my investment and dream home has now become a commercial area and the quiet neighborhood that I moved into is soon to become a busy industrial overpopulated area.

Originally when we heard that a 2.5 story building was to be erected behind our home, we were devastated as our pool and back yard would be exposed, After a long period of time we finally came to realize that we would have no alternative but to except this proposal on the condition that the existing trees that borders our property would not be removed.

However we just cannot and will never be in favour of anything more than 2.5 stories high, We were shocked to find out that now what is on the table is 6-8 stories tall.

Leaving South Africa to make a better home for family I was hoping that I was moving to democratic country and that if every single person in the area wanted no more than 2.5 stories high, why are we all still fighting for what is fair!!!!!!!!!!

Yours truly

Howard Minsker
416-6359967



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Report No. 21 Item No. 8
cw Council May 29, 2012

May 29, 2012

To: Honourable Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor
and Members of Council

Re: Communications
COUNCIL – May 29, 2012
Report No. 21, Item # 8 – Site Development File DA.12.008
IMPROVE INC., Ward 4 – Vicinity of Keele St and Snidercroft Rd

The Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer recommends:

That recommendation 2 c) be amended to read:

“That the Owner shall pay to Vaughan by way of certified cheque, all City, Regional, and Boards of Education Development Charges, if applicable, prior to the issuance of a Building Permit.”

Respectfully submitted,

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Barbara Cribbett, CMA
Commissioner of Finance & City Treasurer

c: Clayton Harris, City Manager
Senior Management

Magnifico, Rose

From: mozelle bir <bir123@rogers.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2012 10:16 AM
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca
Subject: Thornhill Centre Street Area Land Use Study

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Report No. 23 Item No. 1
PH Council May 29, 2012

Dear Sir / Madam,

We missed the Public Hearing Meeting on the Thornhill Centre Street Area Land Use Study on May 15, 2012, hence our e-mail to you.

We respectfully wish to state that we oppose the plan by the City of Vaughan to build 10-12 stories buildings on the Thornhill Centre Street area. There has been significant development specifically of high rise buildings on the east side of New Westminister from Brownridge to just north of Centre Street and already there are 9 very tall condo buildings with a further 3 under construction.

The existing 9 high rise buildings have changed the landscape and density of the area, and the volume of traffic on New Westminister and Centre Street which is already heavy, will continue to increase and cause further congestion once the 3 high rise buildings will have been completed and occupied. Furthermore, there is a Retirement Home at the north east corner of New Westminister and Centre Street.

While we can understand the City's desire to develop the area, we strongly oppose any additional high rise buildings to be constructed on the Thornhill Centre Street area as there are already too many of them in the rea.

Sincerely:

Marshall and Mozelle Bir
2 Glenbury Drive
Thornhill, Ont.,
L4J 7X5



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Report No. 21 Item No. 28
cw Council May 29, 2012

DATE: May 29, 2012
TO: Mayor and Members of Council
FROM: Jeffrey A. Abrams, City Clerk
RE: **ITEM 28**
TERMS OF REFERENCE
TASK FORCE ON RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUMS

At the Committee of the Whole meeting on May 15, 2012, committee approved the establishment of a Task Force on Residential Condominiums to consider the variety of issues important to residents living in condominiums (including but not limited to service levels, taxation, safety, environmental sustainability, etc.)

Attached are the Terms of Reference for the Task Force on Residential Condominiums.

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

That the attached Terms of Reference be approved in order to facilitate the establishment of the Task Force on Residential Condominiums.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jeffrey A. Abrams
City Clerk

Attachment: Terms of Reference, Task Force on Residential Condominiums

Copy: Clayton D. Harris, City Manager



TERMS OF REFERENCE TASK FORCE ON RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUMS

Mandate / Objectives

The Task Force on Residential Condominiums shall consider the variety of issues important to residents living in condominiums (including but not limited to service levels, taxation, safety, environmental sustainability, etc.).

Term

The Task Force on Residential Condominiums shall submit a findings report with recommendations by June 2013.

The Task Force, in its report, will give consideration to: (1) the current situation of condominium residents; (2) issues that may arise with the increasing popularity of this form of residential intensification; (3) how the City of Vaughan may better address issues related to residential condominiums.

Membership

The membership shall be composed of up to 17 members:

- Three (3) Members of Council: Regional Councillor Rosati, and Councillors Carella and Shefman.
- Ten (10) residents living in condominiums from across the City (preferably with at least one member from each of the City's wards and including members of the boards of condominiums).
- Four (4) members of the public who have expertise and experience dealing with issues relevant to condominium residents, one being a professional property manager.

Members are to be appointed by Council. Any changes to the membership will require Council approval.

Meeting Procedures

The proceedings of the Task Force are to be governed by the City's Procedural By-law.

Agendas and Reporting

Agendas shall be prepared by the City Clerk's Office in consultation with the Task Force Chair.

Agendas shall be posted on the City's web site one week prior to the scheduled date of meeting, or as soon as practicable

After each meeting of the Task Force, the City Clerk shall submit a report in the City's Committee report format to the Committee of the Whole.

Meetings

Meeting dates will be determined at the first meeting of the Task Force. The Task Force may meet on the schedule determined, or at the call of the Chair.

Meetings are to be open to the public in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001.

Notice of Meetings

Meetings will be noted on the Schedule of Meetings calendar posted on the City's website.

Quorum

The quorum for the Task Force shall be six (6) members.

Staff Resources

Commissioner of Planning or designate, Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works or designate, City Clerk or designate.

The City Clerk's Office will be responsible for agenda production and distribution, the giving of procedural advice, the recording of the proceedings of the Task Force.

Authority

The Task Force may not exercise decision-making powers, or commit expenditures save for those specifically delegated by Council. The Task Force may not direct staff to undertake activities without authority from Council.

Amendment / Expansion of Terms of Reference

Only Council can initiate any amendment and/or expansion of the Terms of Reference.



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Report No. 21 Item No. 13
CW Council May 29, 2012

DATE: May 29, 2012
TO: Mayor and Members of Council
FROM: Jeffrey A. Abrams, City Clerk
RE: **ITEM 13**
TERMS OF REFERENCE
SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD TASK FORCE

At the Committee of the Whole meeting on May 15, 2012, committee recommended an Ad Hoc Committee of Council be established to foster discussions with the principals, staff, trustees and parent councils of all schools on how to promote an increase in the number of children walking to and from school, as a healthy alternative to their being driven to and from school, including any policy concerns relating to school crossing guards.

Attached are the Terms of Reference for the School Crossing Guard Task Force.

Recommendation

The City Clerk recommends:

That the attached Terms of Reference be approved in order to facilitate the establishment of the School Crossing Guard Task Force.

Respectfully submitted,


Jeffrey A. Abrams
City Clerk

Attachment: Terms of Reference, School Crossing Guard Task Force

Copy: Clayton D. Harris, City Manager



TERMS OF REFERENCE SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD TASK FORCE

Mandate / Objectives

The mandate of the School Crossing Guard Task Force is to foster discussions with the principals, staff, trustees and parent councils of all schools on how to promote an increase in the number of children walking to and from school, as a healthy alternative to their being driven to and from school and any policy concerns as it relates to school crossing guards and to submit a report with recommendations.

Term

The School Crossing Guard Task Force shall submit its findings and recommendations by the Fall of 2012.

Membership

The membership shall be composed of:

- Ward 2 Councillor, Chair
- Such number of School Board Trustees representing Areas in Vaughan (a maximum of six) as may indicate their desire to participate
- One principal nominated by the York Catholic District School Board
- One principal nominated by the York Region District School Board

Chair

The Ward 2 Councillor will be Chair.

Meeting Procedures

The proceedings of the committee are to be governed by the City's Procedural By-law.

Agendas and Reporting

Agendas shall be prepared by the City Clerk's Office in consultation with the Committee Chair.

Agendas shall be posted on the City's web site one week prior to the scheduled date of meeting, or as soon as practicable

After each meeting of the Committee, the City Clerk shall submit a report in the City's committee report format to the Committee of the Whole.

Meetings

Meeting dates will be determined at the first meeting of the committee. The committee may meet on the schedule determined, or at the call of the Chair.

Meetings are to be open to the public in accordance with the Municipal Act, 2001.

Notice of Meetings

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Quorum

The majority of members, including the Chair, shall constitute quorum.

Staff Resources

The role of Staff is to act as a resource to the committee, but not to be members of the Committee, or to deliberate or draft the findings of the Committee. The following Staff will provide advisory and technical support specific to the mandate and objectives of the Committee:

- Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, or designate;
- Director of Engineering Services, or designate;
- Director of Human Resources, or designate; and
- Director of Public Works, or designate.

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Authority

The committee may not exercise decision-making powers, or commit expenditures save for those specifically delegated by Council. The committee may not direct staff to undertake activities without authority from Council.

Amendment / Expansion of Terms of Reference

Only Council can initiate any amendment and/or expansion of the Terms of Reference.

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DATE: MAY 29 2012

TO: HONOURABLE MAURIZIO BEVILACQUA, MAYOR
AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FROM: JOHN MACKENZIE, COMMISSIONER OF PLANNING
PAUL JANKOWSKI, COMMISSIONER OF ENGINEERING & PUBLIC WORKS
JANICE ATWOOD-PETKOVSKI, COMMISSIONER OF LEGAL AND
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

RE: COUNCIL ITEM – MAY 29, 2012

**THE VAUGHAN HEALTH CARE CENTRE PRECINCT PLAN
MOVING FORWARD WITH PRECINCT PLANNING
RELATED FILES: OPA 715 & OPA 725
REPORT 29 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - MAY 15, 2012**

Recommendation 3 from the above noted report directs staff to meet with the consulting team of Malone Given Parsons and Cole Engineering with a view to continuing the transportation and precinct planning work already commenced for the City lands and report to Council on May 29, 2012 with proposed Terms of Reference and costs. As indicated in our earlier reports failure to advance planning for this site quickly, may create risks for the project.

A meeting took place on May 24, 2012 and additional discussions followed this meeting. At the meeting a number of matters were discussed focusing mainly around the scope of work for the project, the priority elements and the content of the draft terms of reference. Generally, what was being proposed was consistent with the consultants' original retainer with the exception of the engineering retainer which included additional detailed design work related to stormwater management and transportation issues. Discussions will occur with York Central Hospital on whether these matters can be addressed through the Provincial alternative financing and procurement process. The need for additional work was identified by City staff in certain areas. These included the need for: enhanced public and stakeholder consultation; the preparation of a business case/pro forma to help establish the appropriate land uses, in conformity with OPA 715, for the residual (non-hospital) lands; to accommodate the role of York Central Hospital and Infrastructure Ontario; to prepare a Community Energy Plan; and to complete the required work as quickly as possible, especially with respect to transportation and access issues.

The discussions with Malone Given Parsons and Cole Engineering have gone well. The Terms of Reference will be further reviewed with the prospective consulting team and York Central Hospital to finalize the scope of work and fees. On this basis, it is recommended that Council adopt the following at this meeting:

That staff be authorized to retain the consulting team of Malone Given Parsons Ltd and Cole Engineering Group Ltd to complete the Precinct Plan, subject to staff finalizing the Terms of Reference and establishing the project cost satisfactory to



memorandum

the Commissioner of Planning and the Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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John MacKenzie
Commissioner of Planning

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Janice Atwood-Petkovski
Commissioner of Legal and Administrative Services

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Paul Jankowski
Commissioner of Engineering & Public Works

- c. Clayton Harris, City Manager
- Barbara Cribbett, Commissioner of Finance and City Treasurer
- Jeffrey Abrams, City Clerk
- Heather Wilson, Director of Legal Services
- Andrew Pearce, Director of Development/Transportation Engineering
- Roy McQuillin, Manager of Policy Planning

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By-law 84-2012
Council May 29/2

Dear Council,

Greetings and
peace.

You will vote
on an amendment to a by-law regarding banning of smoking in parks and
recreation centres in our communities across Vaughan.

Through this
progressive measure, you will lead jurisdictions across Canada and North
America, by setting a clear direction that, our parks and recreation centres
are to be safe havens from the silent, but dangerous effects of second hand
smoke.

In approving
this by-law, you are advocating for our children, grandchildren, our parents,
and grandparents, asthmatics, and others most vulnerable to 2nd-hand smoke.

You are not
villifying smokers - you are raising awareness to the ills of second hand smoke
and making it clear, that Vaughn's parks are no longer a socially acceptable
place to smoke. We know that second hand smoke is deadly to our children
and our seniors. We know our youth are influenced by adults that they
respect whom they observe smoking.

You make
difficult choices and some may view this as an attack on smokers' rights. Please
remind them that as elected officials your concern for public health will
always take precedence.

I would like to thank Council member Sandra Racco and her executive assistant Cindy
Furfaro for encouraging me to voice my thoughts on this matter to you through this
letter.

We are proud
of Sandra and her efforts in her Ward and on behalf of her constituents and all
of Vaughan.

Sincerely,

Ali Manji,
Thornhill.