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York Region Administration Building
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Attention: Mr. Christopher Raynor, Regional Clerk

Re: Vaughan 400 North Landowners Group Inc.
Blocks 34W and 35, City of Vaughan
Lots 26 through 35, Vaughan Conc. 5 & Lot 1, King Conc. 5

Humphries Planning Group represents owners within the Vaughan 400 North Landowners Group Inc. area, being Blocks 34W and 35 in the City of Vaughan (the 'Landowners'). The correspondence builds upon the previous submission by the Landowners to the Regional Committee of the Whole on March 10, 2020 in relation to the Report of the Commissioner of Corporate Services and Chief Planner Planning for Employment and Employment Conversions (the "Report") where a number of policy options, considerations and recommendations were proposed to address site-specific employment land conversion requests.

At their March 12, 2020 meeting, the York Region Committee resolved to direct staff to hold a public information centre on the employment areas proposed for designation and staff recommendations on site specific employment area conversion requests and report back to Council. It was also a direction of Committee at that time to direct Staff to forward the Report to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Clerks of the local area municipalities in order to be used as a basis to inform local municipal decisions related to site-specific employment land conversion within their municipality which, in turn, would be used to further assist Regional Staff's assessment of conversion requests and factor into their final recommendations to Regional Council. This process would ensure that planning objectives and priorities, at the local level, are considered and addressed in the decision-making process.

At its meeting on May 27, 2020, Council of the City of Vaughan moved a motion to support the Group's partial conversion to allow for non-residential uses and was carried upon a recorded vote. The minutes of that meeting are enclosed herein for your review and reference.

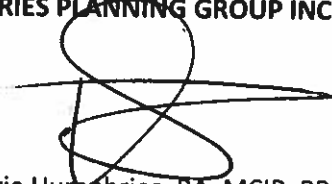
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Based on the above, it is our expectation than Vaughan Councils endorsed position with respect to the Landowners partial conversion request will be duly considered to ensure proper consideration in the assessment of the conversion request.

Additionally, based on our monitoring and participation in York Region's *Planning for Employment Public Information Centre Webinar* held on June 16, 2020, it has come to our attention that there continues to be some inconsistencies with respect to the Region's mapping related to the Landowners partial conversion request. Specifically, the Regions mapping incorrectly includes a large portion of lands south of Kirby Road. These lands are to remain in an employment designation and do not form part of the partial conversion request. While we are confident that there was no intention to mislead, the mapping presents an incomplete picture of the Group's request. Updated mapping was provided to Regional Staff on June 1, 2020 illustrating the precise delineation of the partial employment conversion request. It is our expectation that this mapping will be used for purposes of presentation and evaluation moving forward.

We will provide further comments once the Region has completed its comprehensive assessment of employment areas and releases its final recommendations including any refinements to employment area mapping which is anticipated in the Fall of 2020.

Yours sincerely,
HUMPHRIES PLANNING GROUP INC.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Rosemarie Humphries', written over a horizontal line.

Rosemarie Humphries, BA, MCIP, RPP
President

cc: Mr. Mauro Peverini, Director, Development Planning, City of Vaughan
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