

From: Carol Davidson
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To: Regional Clerk
Subject: Regional Growth Plan

Dear York Regional Council,

I have lived in York Region most of my life, and I have watched it grow. It seems that in the past few years, particularly in Richmond Hill, massive developments are being approved in areas that may not support such a population influx. By this, I mean that thousands of condominiums may not be of interest to future residents. COVID-19 changed our world immediately and will have long-lasting effects. Living in a condo highrise with limited transit and fewer and fewer green spaces may not be attractive to future home buyers. The pandemic has also raised the importance of affordable housing, and outdoor spaces, which many new developments do not address. Add in Climate Change models, and it is clearly time for all municipalities to stop and reassess what the future is going to look like and how people will want and need to live. Preserving waterways, wetlands, green spaces and some farmland have become priorities for most people, and I urge you to reassess future growth plans, so they are in step with what is best for residents now and in the future.

Sincerely,
Carol Davidson
Richmond Hill Resident