

DEPUTATION REQUEST

REGIONAL COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 25, 2021

Subject: Affordable Housing Crisis

Spokesperson: Michael Manett

Name of Group or person(s) being represented (if applicable):
Various Landowners

Brief summary of issue or purpose of deputation:

Support of Motion



*land use planning
&
development*

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York Region Council
The Regional Municipality of York
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Chair Emmerson and Members of Council:

Re: Item I.1 Addressing the Affordable Housing Crisis in York Region

I am the Principal of MPLAN Inc., the land use planning consultant for the property owners of 9218, 10217, 10225, 10288, 10300, 11005, 11488 and 11610 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill. These various properties include six separate land development projects (current or contemplated) and are located along the Yonge Street Corridor, including sites located in the Yonge and Sixteenth Avenue/Carrville KDA, the Downtown Richmond Hill Local Centre, the Yonge/Bernard KDA and on the Regional Mixed-Use Corridor.

I am also a member of the Board of Directors of Reena and Batay Reena with involvement as a volunteer, supporting Reena's assisted housing projects.

Further to my previous correspondence and deputations related to the Regional Official Plan Update – Housing Challenges and Opportunities (January 2012) Report, this letter shall serve as support for Regional Councillor DiPaola's Motion as outlined in Agenda Item I.1. on behalf of the identified properties and Reena.

As was clearly identified in the Housing Challenges and Opportunities Report, the Region has failed to meet its population growth targets and has fallen well short of achieving its affordable housing targets.

For this reason, it is important to identify lands and development sites along the Region's Centres and Corridors that can accommodate rental and affordable housing and also to determine matters that affect the cost of constructing housing, including policies that are detrimental to achieving cost reductions (including parking standards).

These matters are Regional matters, not just local site approval issues and should be addressed at the Regional level.

I will expand on these issues during my oral deputation.

We look forward to and request your support for this Motion. Thank you.

Yours truly,

MPLAN Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael S. Manett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Per: Michael S. Manett, MCIP, RPP.

Encl.

cc. Listed Landowners
Reena