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**Subject:** My letter regarding Highway 413 - my words.

Dear Regional Councillors and Mayor,

I am forwarding my letter to the Vaughan city council regarding my deepest hope that sound and forward thinking minds will recognize the folly in building Highway 413.

If you reflect on how rapidly our world is changing, from digital/virtual communications (Zoom meetings as an example) to autonomous vehicles, the future becomes clearer. We will need less highway infrastructure than more.

What we will need are farms to physically feed us, natural and cultural heritage to feed our emotions and communities, and protection for both as we contemplate the legacy that our generation will leave the next several.

You have been entrusted by your constituents, many of whom have been uninspired to engage in issues like Highway 413, to govern with the greater public good as your mandate. Sometimes that means building warehouses and subdivisions where there was farming. Sometimes not.

But times are changing. The future is happening faster than many could imagine. Your decisions need to reflect this reality and you need to rely on your better judgement rather than the way it's always been.

I am confident you will, collectively, realise that Highway 413 is an anachronism - and a waste of our hard earned taxes. There are much better infrastructure opportunities for this money.

Thank you for reading. I hope that you will vote in favour of a future without 413.

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