

18 March York Region Council Meeting

F.1 re Land Assessment

Dear Chairman and Council,

My name is LCol (ret'd) Susan Beharriell and I have lived in King Township for almost 20 years.

I request that Council continue to deny requests to increase the size of urban zoning in the region, particularly in the Greenbelt. York has plenty of housing and employment land already zoned.

Apparently, York Region has received 71 site-specific requests for urban expansion. These include requests to re-designate agricultural and rural land for urban development, to redesignate a Town's entire whitebelt lands for urban uses, and to redesignate areas of a city's protected countryside of the Greenbelt for development. In addition, a Township provided supportive comments to the Province regarding the re-designation of its protected Greenbelt countryside for development.

Please reinforce the importance of protecting the entire Greenbelt, supporting smart growth near transportation hubs, and providing smaller housing options and more intensive employment opportunities.

York is extremely fortunate to include so much of the Greenbelt. Please continue to protect, enhance, and even expand it. Your great, great grandchildren will thank you for this responsible legacy.

Sincerely,

LCol (ret'd) Susan Beharriell