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Dear Chairman and Members of Council:

**RE: Portage Landowners Conversion Group
Updated Comments on the Draft Regional Official Plan**

Malone Given Parsons is the land use planner for the Portage Conversion Landowners Group who own land north of Portage Parkway and west of Jane Street ("Portage Lands") within the City of Vaughan. The Portage Lands are currently identified within *Expansion Study Area 'B'* in the Vaughan Metropolitan Centre ("VMC") Secondary Plan Update study, which encompasses lands north of Portage Parkway that have been approved for employment conversion. We have previously corresponded with the Region of York as part of these employment conversions and have been working with City Staff to bring these lands into the VMC Secondary Plan Area.

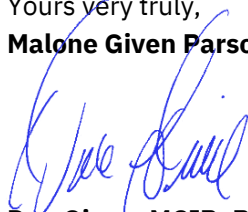
Withdrawal of Request to Expand MTSA to Include Portage Lands

As part of our comments on the Draft YROP dated March 31, 2022, we requested that the entirety of the Portage Lands be included within the boundaries of the appropriate MTSA (either MTSA 55 – Commerce BRT or MTSA 68 – VMC Subway, as they were then numbered in the December 2021 version of the Draft YROP).

We understand based on discussions with City of Vaughan Staff that designation with a Regional MTSA is not necessary to support the proposed density and heights for the Portage Lands, therefore we withdraw our request to refine the MTSA boundaries.

We thank staff for the extensive work undertaken to produce the Draft YROP and providing us the opportunity to provide comments.

Yours very truly,
Malone Given Parsons Ltd.



Don Given, MCIP, RPP

cc: *Portage Conversion Landowners Group*
Councillor Racco