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Subject: City of Vaughan: January 20th Finance and Administration Committee Agenda Item: Public Service Renewal, Proposed Interim and Permanent Staff Changes in Planning and Community Services Commissions
Attachments: BILD Letter - Vaughan Public Service Renewal - January 20th.pdf

Good Afternoon Mayor and Members of Council,

Please refer to the attached letter with respect to the staff report on the Public Service Renewal, Proposed Interim and Permanent Staff Changes in Planning and Community Services Commissions schedule to be heard at the January 20th Finance and Administration Committee meeting.

If you have any question or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Danielle Chin (phone: 416-391-1997/email: dchin@bildgta.ca)


Thank you kindly,

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Mayor and Members of Council,

**RE: City of Vaughan: January 20th Finance and Administration Committee
Agenda Item: Public Service Renewal, Proposed Interim and Permanent Staff Changes in
Planning and Community Services Commissions**

On behalf of the BILD York Chapter Chair and members we kindly submit the following comments with respect to the staff report on the Public Service Renewal, Proposed Interim and Permanent Staff Changes in Planning and Community Services Commissions schedule to be heard at the January 20th Finance and Administration Committee meeting.

As first indicated in our October 3rd letter, we applaud the Mayor, Council members and staff at the City of Vaughan for undertaking an exercise to review and enhance public service standards at the City of Vaughan. We appreciate that staff have maintained momentum on this renewal project and we are happy to express our continued support.

From the latest staff report, we understand that the City staff have recommended changes to improve efficiency within the department; integrating policy planning, development planning and urban design to work better together to achieve the important city-building initiatives.

A strong component of the development review process within the City of Vaughan is engineering review. BILD would like to suggest that the City might benefit from a closer relationship between development planning section & development engineering section, to help make the development review process more efficient. Some of the City of Vaughan's neighbouring municipalities have adopted this arrangement (having development engineering as part of the development review section within the Planning Commission), with some success.

We appreciate that our working group will have continued consultation during this review and we thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments. Please feel free to contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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