

CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2013

Item 16, Report No. 47, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on November 19, 2013.

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**DEPUTATION – MS. SILVANA MACRI
WITH RESPECT TO AMENDING BY-LAW 185-2007**

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the deputation of Ms. Silvana Macri, Davidson Drive, Woodbridge, and Communication C1, dated October 22, 2013, be received;**
- 2) That staff bring back a report on a strategy for amending the by-law applying to the preservation/protection of trees on private property, such amendments to include several provisions obliging owners of abutting lands to refrain from threatening trees on neighbouring properties and specific provisions requiring those seeking permits that may affect trees on a neighbouring property within a certain distance of a common property line (or which tree's drip line extends onto the subject property) to disclose the presence of such trees and to take action necessary to protect such trees, and that failure to comply shall result in an appropriate fine;**
- 3) That in light of the impact on public safety of dead or significantly diseased trees that overhang adjacent properties, that staff prepare an amendment to either the tree by-law or any other relevant by-law that would provide the ability of staff to assess the unsafe tree and to issue an order to remove the tree; and**
- 4) That staff provide a report on the financial implications to the City of amending the relevant by-laws.**