## THE CITY OF VAUGHAN

## BY-LAW

## **BY-LAW NUMBER 54-2012**

## A By-law to further amend City of Vaughan Sign By-law 203-92, as amended.

WHEREAS the Section 11(3), *Municipal Act 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25 provides that lower-tier municipalities may pass by-laws relating to structures, including fences and signs.

AND WHEREAS The Corporation of the City of Vaughan deems it advisable to pass further amendments to Sign By-law 203-92, as amended:

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the City of Vaughan ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Section 2.0 of Sign By-law 203-92, as amended, (hereinafter the "Sign By-Law") is hereby amended by adding the following definition in alphabetical sequence:
  - "Sign, Landscaping" means a sign that utilizes only landscaping materials, including shrubs, grasses, flowers, ornamental plants, and landscape elements.
- 2. The Sign By-law is hereby amended by adding the following section:
  - 8.13 Landscaping Signs
  - (a) A maximum of one (1) Landscaping Sign shall be located:
    - i) on a lot zoned as Industrial or Employment by Zoning By-law 1-88, as amended, notwithstanding Section 8.0;
    - ii) on a lot abutting a Regional Road or Provincial Highway; and
    - iii) on a lot subject to a Site Plan Agreement or Site Plan Letter of Undertaking which facilitates the erection of the Landscape Sign.
  - (b) Landscaping Signs comprising of soft landscaping materials only shall not exceed:
    - i) 15 m<sup>2</sup> in sign area where it is illuminated;
    - ii) 18.8 m<sup>2</sup> in sign area where it is illuminated by solar power; or
    - iii) 22.5 m<sup>2</sup> in sign area where it is non-illuminated.

- (c) Landscaping Signs comprising of a minimum of 60% soft landscaping materials shall not exceed:
  - i) 12.5 m<sup>2</sup> in sign area where it is illuminated;
  - ii) 15.6 m<sup>2</sup> in sign area where it is illuminated by solar power; or
  - iii) 18.8 m<sup>2</sup> in sign area where it is non-illuminated.
- (d) Landscaping Signs other than those listed in subsection (b) and (c) shall not exceed 10m<sup>2</sup> in sign area.
- 3. Section 8.1(a) of the Sign By-law is hereby amended by deleting the phrase "Section 8.7 and 8.8," and replacing it with the phrase "subsection (f), Section 8.7, and Section 8.8".
- 4. Section 8.1 of the Sign By-law is hereby amended by adding the following sections:
  - (e) A ground sign which incorporates a minimum of 60% soft landscaping materials into its design shall be located:
    - i) on a lot zoned as a Industrial or Employment area by Zoning By-law 1-88, as amended, notwithstanding Section 8.0;
    - ii) on a lot abutting a Regional Road or Provincial Highway; and
    - iii) on a lot subject to a Site Plan or Site Plan letter of undertaking which facilitates the erection of the Ground Sign.
  - (f) A ground sign which incorporates a minimum of 60% soft landscaping materials into its design shall not exceed:
    - i) 12.5 m<sup>2</sup> where it is illuminated;
    - ii) 15.6 m<sup>2</sup> where it is illuminated using solar power; or
    - iii) 18.8 m<sup>2</sup> where it is non-illuminated.
- 5. The Sign By-law is hereby amended by adding the following section:
  - 16.1 The Owner of the property on which a Landscaping Sign is located shall maintain the Landscaping Sign in a good health state to the satisfaction of the City of Vaughan and in accordance with the applicable Site Plan Agreement or Site Plan Letter of Undertaking.

Enacted by City of Vaughan Council this 17 <sup>th</sup> day of A	April, 2012.
	Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, Mayor
	Jeffrey A. Abrams, City Clerk