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February 21, 2017

Committee of the Whole
City of Vaughan

Re: Approval of Parking Along the East Side of Islington Avenue, Kleinburg, Ontario

Hello all,

I am writing in respect to the Special Committee of the Whole Meeting that is scheduled for today, Tuesday, February 21, 2017, with regards to the request for approval of additional parking along the east side of Islington Avenue in Kleinburg, north of John Street.

We are all aware of a significant shortage of parking spaces in the Kleinburg Village Core, however, I do not feel that this approval of parallel parking along Islington, north of the village core, will do much to alleviate our parking problem. In fact, I believe it will only lead to illegal parking, encroaching onto residential streets in the area, namely; Treelawn Blvd., Bell Court and Lester Pearson. Enforcement of this illegal parking will only lead to other problems and concerns in our area.

K.A.R.A. has been a huge advocate of new developments being guided to and abiding by our Official Plan, with particular emphasis on ensuring that parking by-laws are met by all new applications. Approval of additional parking spaces close to a residential community contradicts the fact that new development should ensure adequate parking for both residents and visitors.

I believe it is time for the City of Vaughan to explore other alternatives for parking in Kleinburg as this is not an adequate solution. Parking should remain in the village core close to shopping and services and there are other options we should take a look at. Every effort should be made to ensure a viable village core and I do understand that we need to create additional parking, but north of John Street, the sidewalks become very slippery in the winter season and in inclement weather. I don't think that this proposed parking will address the real problem. We should also take a look at the cash-in-lieu parking fund that was established some time ago.

In closing, we do not support the approval of parallel parking along Islington and would like to see the City of Vaughan, together with the BIA and KARA, come up with other solutions.

Respectfully Submitted By Donna & Joe Rotondo

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