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CW Rpt. No. 31 Item 2

**DATE:** SEPTEMBER 19, 2016

**TO:** HONOURABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

**FROM:** GRANT UYEYAMA, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

**RE:** COMMUNICATION - COUNCIL MEETING - SEPTEMBER 20, 2016

ITEM #2, REPORT #31 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - SEPTEMBER 7, 2016

CITY OF VAUGHAN - TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITY SITING PROTOCOL  
(TELECOMMUNICATION ANTENNA SYSTEMS THAT INCLUDE FREE-STANDING  
TOWERS AND BUILDING/STRUCTURE MOUNTED ANTENNAS)  
ALL WARDS – CITY WIDE

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#### **Recommendation**

The Director of Development Planning recommends:

1. THAT consideration of Item #2, Report #31 of the Vaughan Committee of the Whole (City of Vaughan - Telecommunication Facility Siting Protocol) be DEFERRED to the Council Meeting of October 19, 2016, to allow further consultation between the Development Planning Department and the Wireless Carriers to address outstanding matters related to the letter received by the City Clerk's office on September 7, 2016 from Stephen J. D'Agostino, Thomson Rogers Lawyers.

#### **Background**

On September 7, 2016, the Committee of the Whole resolved the following motion with respect to Item #2, Report #31 (City of Vaughan - Telecommunication Facility Siting Protocol):

- 1) That consideration of this matter be deferred to the Council Meeting of September 20, 2016, to allow further consultation; and,
- 2) That the deputation of Mr. Stephen D'Agostino, Thomson Rogers, Bay Street, Toronto, and Communication C13, dated September 6, 2016, be received.

On September 7, 2016, the City Clerk's Office received a letter dated September 6, 2016 from Stephen J. D'Agostino of Thomson Rogers Lawyers, who represent Bell, TELUS and Rogers Communications; the three major wireless carriers operating in Canada ("Wireless Carriers"). Mr. D'Agostino's letter indicates that the Wireless Carriers generally support the new City of Vaughan Telecommunication Facility Siting Protocol ("Protocol") and the Vaughan Development Planning Department's recommendation to this effect, and believe that the new Protocol will reduce the prospect of controversy and land use conflict, while furthering the development of each Wireless Carriers' network.

The letter also identifies areas of concern with regards to the Protocol, mostly related to its implementation of changes to the Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada's ("ISED"),

formerly known as Industry Canada) Client Procedures Circular for Radiocommunication and Broadcasting Antennas Systems ("CPC-2-0-03"), which were outlined in the Telecommunications Facility Siting Task Force Findings Report - Staff Review and Response, adopted by Vaughan Council on June 24, 2014. The changes to CPC-2-0-03 came into effect on July 15, 2014.

Since the September 7, 2016 Committee of the Whole Meeting, Development Planning staff has been working with Mr. D'agostino and the Wireless Carriers to address their concerns. One issue with respect to the relocation of new antenna systems within a new Block Plan area remains outstanding, and requires additional time for the Development Planning Department to meet with the Wireless Carriers and Mr. D'agostino on this matter. On this basis, the Development Planning Department requests that this item be deferred to the next Council Meeting to allow these meetings to occur.

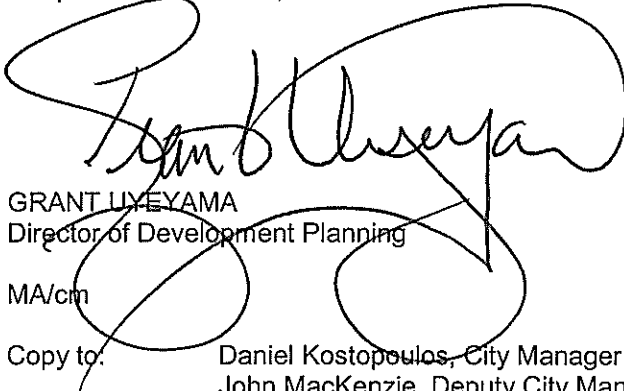
### **Communications Plan**

On August 17, 2016, Vaughan Development Planning staff notified the members of the Task Force and known telecommunications industry professionals of this report proceeding to the September 7, 2016 meeting of the Committee of the Whole. Vaughan Council's decision in this matter, and a copy of the staff report, will be communicated to the Task Force members. On September 19, 2016, Development Planning staff also notified the Task Force members of the request to defer this item to the October 19, 2016 Council Meeting. The final Protocol, should it be approved by Council, will be made available on the City's website, and to known telecommunications companies that the City regularly works with.

### **Conclusion**

The Development Planning Department is requesting that the City of Vaughan Telecommunication Facility Siting Protocol be deferred to the Council Meeting of October 19, 2016, to allow further consultation between the Development Planning Department and the Wireless Carriers, to discuss concerns related to policies for new antenna systems within a Block Plan area. Accordingly, should Vaughan Council concur, the Development Planning Department will bring forward a communication outlining the proposed changes to the Protocol at the October 19, 2016 Council Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



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