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Communication
CW: Apr 14/15
Item: 1

**Attention: Mayor Bevilacqua and Council Members**

Your Worship and Members of Council:

**Re: Item 1, Committee of the Whole Meeting, April 14, 2015  
Natural Heritage Network Study ("NHN Study")  
Natural Heritage Network Inventory and Improvements  
Study Completion and Recommended Amendment to  
Vaughan Official Plan 2010 (the "Proposed Amendments")  
Block 66 West Landowners Group Inc. ("Block 66")**

We write on behalf of Block 66. The purpose of this letter is to respectfully request that this matter be deferred to allow for discussions with our clients to continue.

We continue to have concerns with the NHN Study and the Proposed Amendments. Our primary concern is the speed with which the City is proceeding. The NHN Study Staff Report was only made available last week. This does not allow our clients a fair and practical opportunity for review and continue dialogue with you or your Staff.

Also significant is the proposal to defer a decision on the NHN habitat compensation protocol (the "Protocol"), treat it separately and shield it from the scrutiny of the *Planning Act* public consultation process. The Protocol, Proposed Amendments and NHN mapping must be adopted at the same time, and must be part of a comprehensive and complete Official Plan Amendment process.

We request that I be added to the list of delegates for the Committee of the Whole meeting.



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Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with these comments.

Yours sincerely,  
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