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June 15, 2015

(By E-mail)

City of Vaughan c/o Jeffrey A. Abrams, City Clerk 2141 Major Mackenzie Drive Vaughan, Ontario L6A 1T1

Attention:

Mayor and Members of Council

Re:

Committee of the Whole – June 16, 2015 – Item 10
Natural Heritage Network Inventory and Improvements

Study Completion and Recommendations Amendment to the Vaughan Official Plan 2010

City File #25.5.4 City of Vaughan

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

KLM Planning Partners Inc. is the land use planning consultant for Madison Homes ("Client") who has an interest in the lands located at the southwest corner of Lebovic Campus Drive and Ilan Ramon Boulevard ("Subject Lands") in the City of Vaughan.

We have had an opportunity to review the planning staff report being considered by the Committee of the Whole at its meeting on June 16, 2015. In reviewing the updated land use schedules included in the report, specifically Schedule 2 (Natural Heritage Network — see attached) and Schedule 2B (Natural Heritage Network — Woodlands), we wish to express a concern with the updated Schedules as currently proposed to be approved. The updated mapping incorrectly shows a woodland on the western portion of the subject lands.

From information we were able to obtain, the limits of development were staked with the staff from the City of Vaughan and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority ("TRCA") in 2001 and 2002, which facilitated the submission of a number of development applications on the subject lands.

Development applications were submitted and approved in 2004 (UJA Master Plan), again in 2008 (DA.07.018) and as recently as 2014 (DA.14.038). The wooded area which is now being shown on the updated Schedules 2 and 2B being considered by the Committee of the Whole were included within the limits of development as established through the review of these past development applications. The wooded areas in question appear to have been subsequently removed in accordance with the site design approved by Vaughan Council. Schedule 2 as adopted by Vaughan Council on September 7, 2010 is generally reflective of the approved alignment of the adjacent valley feature and does not include a woodlot that no longer exists due to past development approvals.

We request the mapping be updated to reflect the previously approved development applications, or alternatively the City confirm in writing that the future development of these lands will not be impacted by this incorrect mapping as proposed to be approved.

We intend to continue to monitor the Natural Heritage Network process and reserve the right to make further submissions if required.

We kindly request that we be notified of any future reports and/or public meetings and open houses regarding this Study and ask that we receive any notice of the Committee of the Whole or Council in this matter.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours very truly,

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