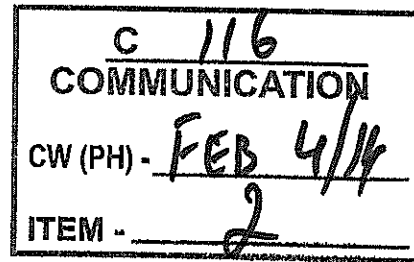


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**From:** Simkhovitch Peter Dr. <Peter.Simkhovitch@mackenziehealth.ca>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 04, 2014 9:22 AM  
**To:** Clerks@vaughan.ca  
**Subject:** FW: objection to proposed development OP.13.013 and Z 13.0.36 (applicant Islamic Shia Ithna-Asheri Jamaat of Toronto)

Please find my letter below to be included as a part of the official record.  
Thank you,  
Dr. Peter Simkhovitch



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**From:** Racco, Sandra [mailto:Sandra.Racco@vaughan.ca]  
**Sent:** Tue 2/4/2014 12:53 AM  
**To:** Simkhovitch Peter Dr.  
**Cc:** Racco, Sandra; Furfaro, Cindy; Abrams, Jeffrey; MacKenzie, John; Uyeyama, Grant  
**Subject:** RE: objection to proposed development OP.13.013 and Z 13.0.36 (applicant Islamic Shia Ithna-Asheri Jamaat of Toronto)

Dear Dr. Simkhovitch,

Thank you for your e-mail and the concerns expressed.

As tomorrow night is a Public Hearing meeting, I encourage you to come out and voice these concerns to the applicant and our staff. Should you not be able to attend in person, I would suggest you submit your letter to the City Clerk department so they can include this as part of the official record.

Have a good evening!!!

*Sandra Yeung Racco*  
Councillor, Concord/North Thornhill  
City of Vaughan

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**From:** Simkhovitch Peter Dr. [mailto:Peter.Simkhovitch@mackenziehealth.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 03, 2014 4:15 PM  
**To:** Furfaro, Cindy  
**Cc:** Birch, Carol  
**Subject:** re: objection to proposed development OP.13.013 and Z 13.0.36 (applicant Islamic Shia Ithna-Asheri Jamaat of Toronto)

Dear Councillor Sandra Yeung Racco,

In addition to multiple concerns expressed regarding traffic congestion, noise and overall compatibility of the project there appears to be a lack of archeological appraisal in the proposal. As identified in Development Planning Department preliminary review of the development no protection plan is noted to exist for former Vaughan Glen Hospital. This is contrary to the Part IV, Subsection 27 of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Furthermore, there appears to be no reference to potential of disturbing archaeological sites. These are identified on City of Vaughan Archeological and First Nations Policy Study (March 2010) on page 33 and are potentially within proposed construction sites. There also exists a potential of ossuary model being identified within lands in questions. At this point, as far as I am aware, no archaeology assessment into the planning phase of development, including consultation with interested Aboriginal communities (such as Huron-Wendat nation) has been made.

As you are well aware, lack of an archaeology assessment into the early phase of development could result in significant project delays and complications as well as Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport "stop work" orders.

I believe these issues are of concern to all stakeholders involved and should be addressed during the review of the proposal.

Thank you,  
Dr. Peter Simkhovitch

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