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Subject: Integrity Commissioner Report in respect of former Regional Councillor / Deputy Mayor Michael DiBiase

Re: June 27 Committee Meeting

Honourable Mayor and Members of Council,

This correspondence is in regards to the findings of the Integrity Commissioner Report - Code of Conduct Complaint in respect of former Regional Councillor/ Deputy Mayor Michael DiBiase.

My name is Coco Papoi and together with my family, I reside at [REDACTED] in Vaughan. For many years, my family has been involved with the issues at 230 Grand Trunk Ave. In our opinion, the City has misinformed, misled and misrepresented the residents for many years in all aspects concerning 230 Grand Trunk Ave. Ever since this land changed ownership and Milani Family took over, the City's position vis-a-vis the land has changed as well. All of a sudden, the land was not worth of protection anymore, instead the development was quickly pushed through. We have confronted the Council and its members many times, requesting honest answers and fair decisions in regards to this land. The constant response was deception, lies and manipulation. The Integrity Report demonstrated that the former Councillor DiBiase was in the position to abuse power and influence the Municipality, the Region and the TRCA's decisions regarding this land. It is appalling and disappointing to have a member of Council behaving in such disgraceful and dishonest manner. In addition to this, the press articles and other Integrity Reports have exposed DiBiase's lack of personal character, and the outrageous personal conduct in abusing power, sexual assault and harassment of staff members.

<http://globalnews.ca/news/3463346/vaughan-deputy-mayor-michael-dibiase-resigns/>

<https://www.yorkregion.com/news-story/7360529-former-vaughan-councillor-di-biase-used-influence-to-help-developer-report/>

<http://www.torontosun.com/2017/05/18/vaughan-deputy-mayor-michael-di-biase-accused-of-sexually-harassing-city-worker-resigns>

<http://www.iheartradio.ca/newstalk-1010/news/vaughan-deputy-mayor-resigns-amid-scandal-1.2621324>

<https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2017/06/14/vaughan-ethics-probe-says-di-biase-acted-improperly-in-land-deal.html>

<https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2015/04/30/opp-to-investigate-vaughan-deputy-mayor-michael-di-biase.html>

<https://www.yorkregion.com/news-story/4947755-former-vaughan-mayor-di-biase-pulls-out-big-victory-in-regional-council-race/>

<https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2016/05/09/vaughan-blasted-for-troubling-environment-record.html>

<http://globalnews.ca/news/3117212/how-developers-are-trying-to-build-on-ontarios-protected-greenbelt-land/>

<https://vaughancitizenscoalition.com/is-this-another-cover-up/>

<https://www.yorkregion.com/news-story/5536919-vaughan-developers-pump-cash-into-king-councillors-campaigns/>

<https://www.vaughan.ca/elections/General%20Documents/Form%204%20Financial%20Statement%20Local%20and%20Regional%20Councillor%20Candidate%20Michael%20DiBiase.pdf>

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/vaughan-coun-michael-di-biase-s-cottage-getting-help-from-major-city-contractor-rival-says-1.2810808>

With the support of other members of Council, DiBiase was able to change the designation of 230 Grand Trunk from protected environmental land to developable land and to make it look like OMB's inevitable and sole decision. Honorable Mayor and Members of Council, we are not stupid, we understand exactly what is going on. We have been deceived and critically affected by your members wrongdoing. You have all been appointed to make objective decisions and to protect the interests of residents. So far, in connection with 230 Grand Trunk, only a few members of Council have acted in good faith and with objectivity. We are asking you to change back the designation of 230 Grand Trunk Ave, to work with the City's professional staff, with the Region of York and the TRCA and make honest and fair decisions going further. This is your chance to use your skills and experience to serve the City and its residents. It costs us time, energy and money but we will continue to fight for fairness, integrity and honesty and we hope you will join us in making the City of Vaughan a better place. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Papoi Family