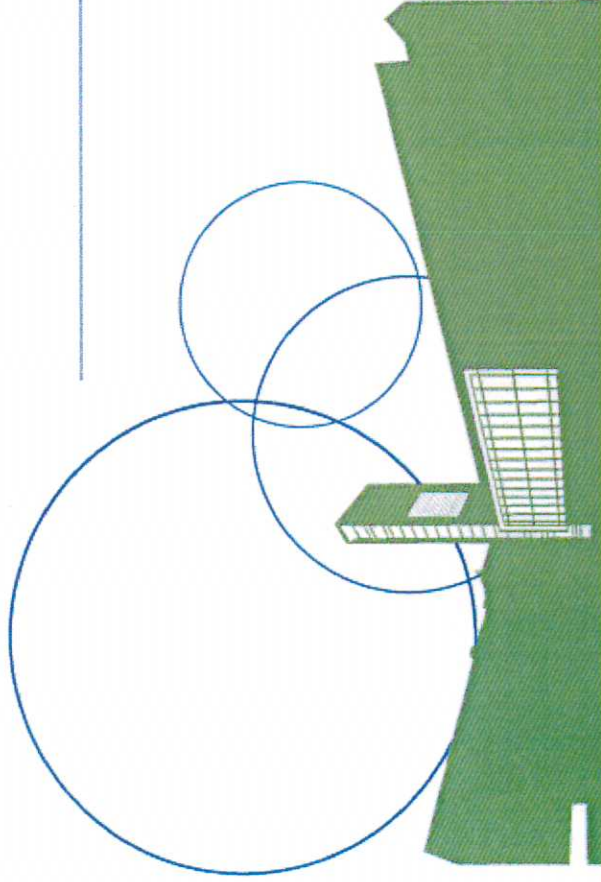
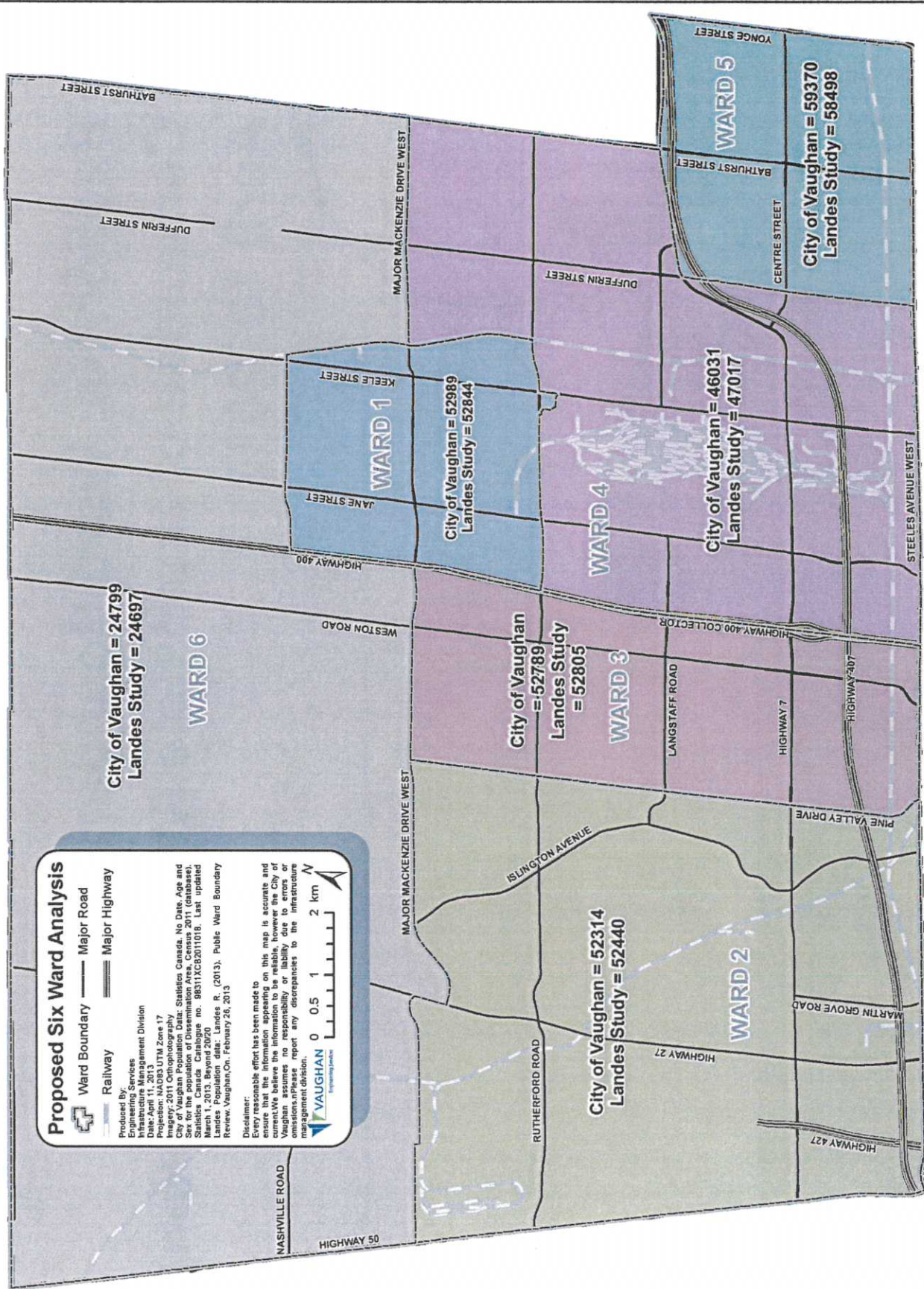
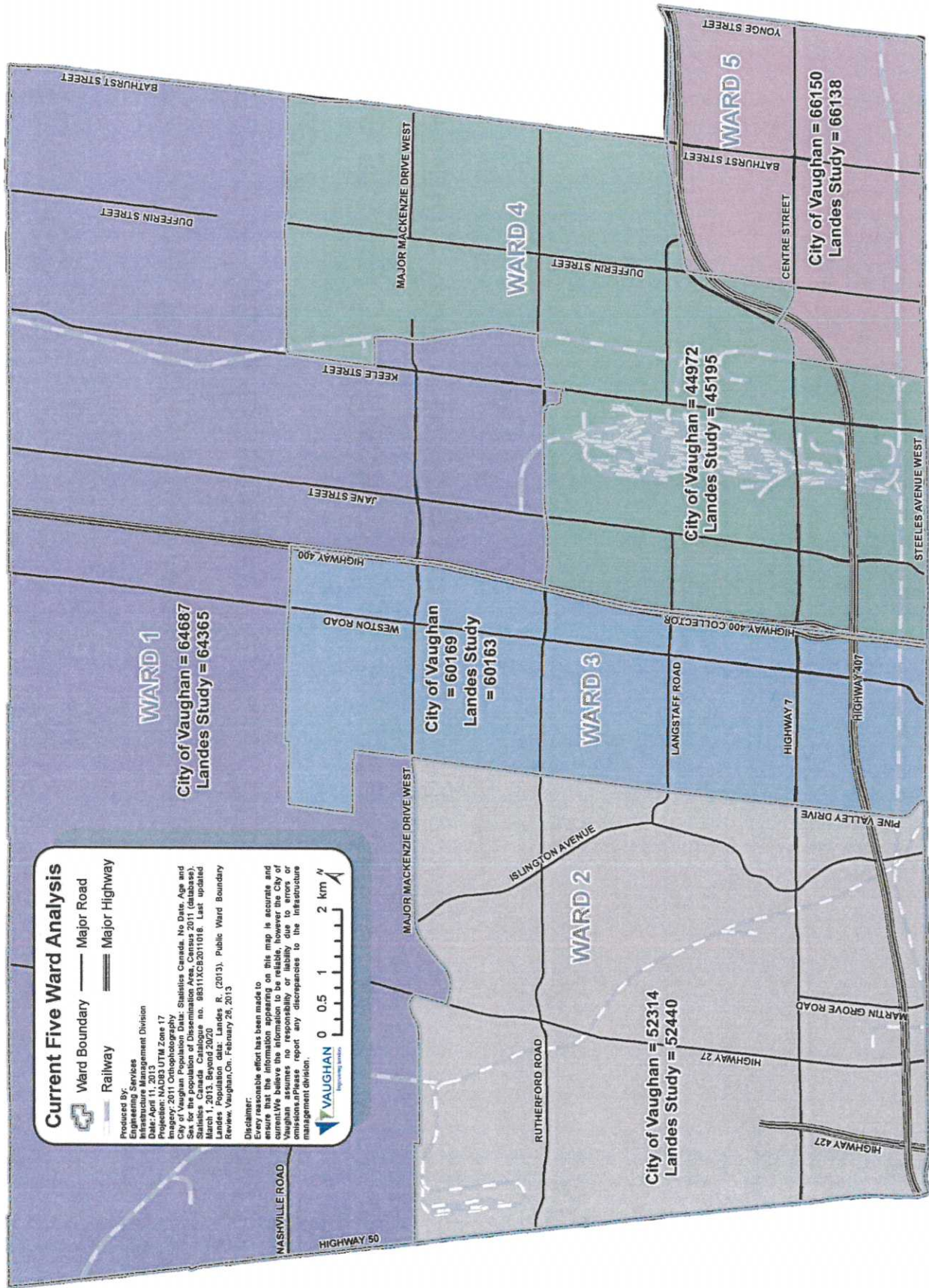


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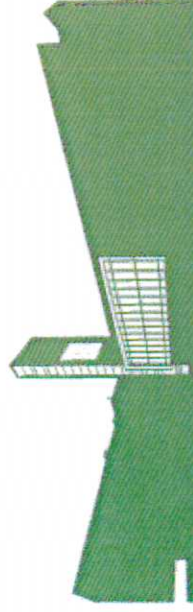
- Should the Petitioners' proposal be accepted?
- Should a Ward Boundary Review be undertaken Now? Later?
- The status of 'Effective Representation'
 - Primary Goal – relative parity of voting power



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Population Analysis

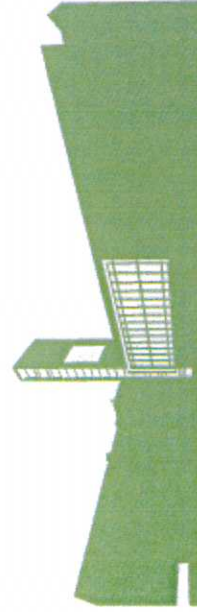
- Census (2011)
- Projections (2014 and 2018)



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Population Counts Current 5 Ward System (2011 Census Data)

Ward	Vaughan			Petition		
	Analysis			Analysis		
	Population	+/- From Average	+/- %	Population	+/- From Average	+/- %
1	64687	7029	12.2	64365	6705	11.6
2	52314	-5344	-9.3	52440	-5220	-9.1
3	60169	2511	4.4	60163	2503	4.3
4	44972	-12686	-22.0	45195	-12465	-21.6
5	66150	8492	14.7	66138	8478	14.7
Total	288292			288301		
Average	57658			57660		



Population Counts Proposed 6 Ward System (2011 Census Data)

Ward	Vaughan			Petition		
	Analysis			Analysis		
	Population	+/- From Average	+/- %	Population	+/- From Average	+/- %
1	52989	4940	10.3	52844	4794	10.0
2	52314	4265	8.9	52440	4390	9.1
3	52789	4740	9.9	52805	4755	9.9
4	46031	-2018	-4.2	47017	-1033	-2.2
5	59370	11321	23.6	58498	10448	21.7
6	24799	-23250	-48.4	24697	-23353	-48.6
Total	288292			288301		
Average	48049			48050		

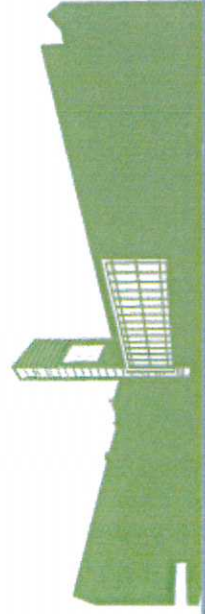


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Projected Ward Boundary Data for 2014 – Six Ward System

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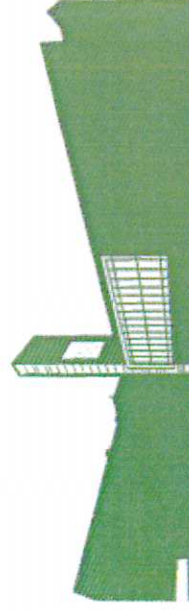
Ward	Projected Ward Boundary		
	Data for 2014 (Landes Report)		
	Population	+/- From Average	+/- %
1	55310	1693	3.2
2	56518	2901	5.4
3	56035	2418	4.5
4	52419	-1199	-2.2
5	61003	7386	13.8
6	40420	-13198	-24.6
Total	321705		
Average	53618		



Projected Ward Boundary Data for 2018 – Six Ward System

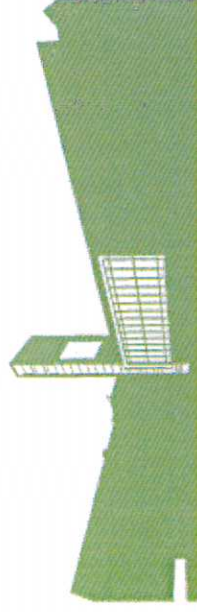
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Ward	Projected Ward Boundary		
	Data for 2018 (Landes Report)		
	Population	+/- From Average	+/- %
1	57446	-992	-1.7
2	60049	1612	2.8
3	58831	394	0.7
4	57095	-1343	-2.3
5	63171	4734	8.1
6	54033	-4405	-7.5
Total	350625		
Average	58438		



What compels a change now?

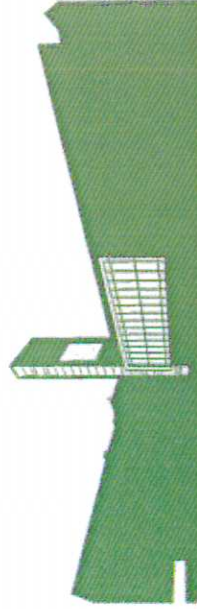
- Would it materially improve relative voting power in 2014?
- Is there material evidence that there is a countryside community of interest?
- Has there been broad public consultation, and independent analysis, sufficient to accept the proposed boundaries?



Population Forecasts

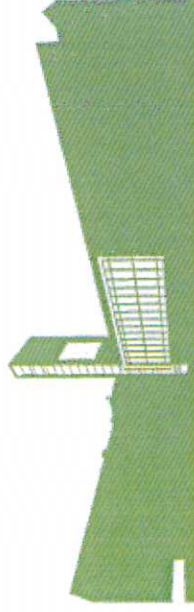
“What is happening, then, is that municipal electoral boundaries are being designed on the basis of guesses-sophisticated perhaps, but guesses nonetheless – about future population trends”

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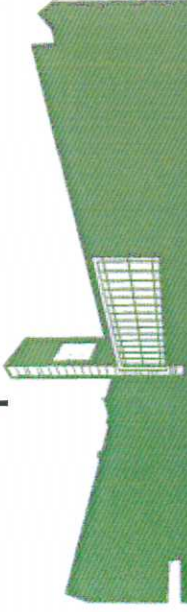
“Where the federal redistribution process starts from what is known, the municipal exercise is predicated on the unknown. Instead of designing ward systems that capture the present-day distribution of population with some degree of confidence (catching up, in other words), municipalities today are approving ward systems with potentially problematic evidence to support the validity of future population figures 10, 12 or more years away.”

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Options for Council

- Option 1 – Conduct a City-led ward boundary review with a potential for 2014 implementation
- Option 2 – Conduct a City-led ward boundary review for 2018 implementation
- Option 3 – Pass a By-law to re-divide the wards in accordance with the petition
- Option 4 – Take no action



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