

Hau, Lucy

Subject: Pro-foodbelt, anti-urban sprawl

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From: Roger Lohmann

Sent: November 29, 2009 8:25 PM

To: Scarpitti, Frank

Cc: Kitteringham, Kimberley

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Dear Mayor Scarpitti,

As a citizen of Markham, I am writing in appreciation of your efforts in favour of sustainable policies for our town. In keeping with that guiding value, I encourage you to continue in this course by following the recommendations for Markham's future development plans put forward at <http://www.protectmarkham.wordpress.com>, from which I quote in agreement:

To protect Markham's quality of life, foodlands, communities, environment and property values, I strongly urge Markham Council to:

1. Ask York Region to refrain from passing the Regional Official Plan until further public consultation has occurred;
2. Work with other levels of government to limit Markham's population growth to less than 25% over the next 22 years;
3. Place a moratorium on Urban Expansions to protect Markham's rural heritage, foodland and greenspace;
4. Expand the Greenbelt to protect Markham's "whitebelt" lands as a permanent Foodbelt and Natural Heritage System;
5. Better protect residential communities from over-intensification by enacting height restrictions (e.g. 6 storeys) near existing residential communities.

Thank you for your hard work on our behalf!

Sincerely,

Roger

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