



THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF PEEL  
PUBLIC MEETING  
REVISED AGENDA

**Date:** Thursday, December 17, 2020  
**Time:** 9:30 AM  
**Location:** Council Chamber, 5th Floor  
Regional Administrative Headquarters  
10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A  
Brampton, Ontario

**Purpose:** To obtain input from the public on a proposed by-law to change the composition of Regional Council.

Due to the efforts to contain the spread of COVID-19 there will be limited public access to the Council Chambers, by pre-registration only. Please email [regional.clerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:regional.clerk@peelregion.ca) to pre-register. The meeting will be live streamed on <http://www.peelregion.ca/>.

\*Denotes Revised/Additional Items.

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1. **DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**
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    - 5.1. Kathryn Lockyer, Interim Commissioner of Corporate Services  
Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council  
(Oral)
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    - 6.1. Sara Clarkson, Resident of Caledon  
Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
    - 6.2. Joe Horneck, Resident of Mississauga  
Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council

- \*6.3. Brad Butt, Mississauga Board of Trade  
Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*6.4. Moaz Ahmad, Resident of Peel  
Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*6.5. Terry Miller, Resident of Brampton  
Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*6.6. Sherry Brioschi, Resident of Peel  
Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*6.7. William Motley, Resident of Caledon  
Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*6.8. Derek Clark, Resident of Caledon  
Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*6.9. Dave Kapil, Chair, New Brampton  
Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*6.10. Suzy Godefroy, Executive Director, Downtown Brampton Business Improvement Area  
Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*6.11. Jermaine Chambers, Resident of Brampton  
Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*6.12. Grant Gorchynski, Resident of Mississauga  
Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*6.13. Chris Drew, Representing the Drew Family, Residents of Peel  
Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council

## **7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS)**

- 7.1. Joe Grogan, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 3, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- 7.2. Mary Cooney, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 7, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- 7.3. Bob Waldon, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 8, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council

- 7.4. Joanna Valeriani, Resident of Caledon  
Email dated December 8, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- 7.5. K. Yates, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 8, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- 7.6. Donna and Charles Davies, Residents of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 9, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- 7.7. Joe McReynolds, Resident of Peel  
E-mail dated December 9, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- 7.8. Bernie Rochon, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 10, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- 7.9. Joanne Crease, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 10, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- 7.10. Ken and Angela Moore, Residents of Caledon  
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- 7.11. Harry Skiddaw Crease, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 10, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- 7.12. Carolyn Vallejo, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 10, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- 7.13. Marion Cole, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 10, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*7.14. Joan DeGraves and Neil McKay, Residents of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 10, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*7.15. Brian Cole, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 10, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council

- \*7.16. Carol Good, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 11, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*7.17. Jerry Gorman, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 13, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*7.18. Janice Bezanson, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 13, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*7.19. Todd Letts, Chief Executive Officer, The Brampton Board of Trade  
E-mail dated December 14, 2020, Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*7.20. Sheralyn Roman, Resident of Caledon  
E-mail dated December 14, 2020, Expressing Concerns Regarding a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council
- \*7.21. Paramjit Singh Birdi, Resident of Brampton  
E-mail dated December 14, 2020, Expressing Support for a Proposed By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council

**8. CONCLUSION AND CLOSING OF PUBLIC MEETING**

## **Proposed Wording for the Draft By-law to Change the Composition of Regional Council**

1. The Council of the Regional Municipality of Peel is composed of the following 25 members on the day that the new council is organized following the regular election in 2022.
  - a. A Chair who is appointed/elected in accordance with section 218.1(1) of the *Municipal Act 2001, as amended*.
  - b. Nine persons representing the City of Brampton, comprised of the head of Council and eight other persons selected in such manner as the City of Brampton may, by by-law, specify.
  - c. Three persons representing the Town of Caledon, comprised of the head of Council and two other persons selected in such manner as the Town of Caledon may, by by-law, specify.
  - d. Twelve persons representing the City of Mississauga, comprised of the head of Council and eleven other persons selected in such manner as the City of Mississauga may, by by-law, specify.
2. The composition, election term and/or appointment of Regional Council shall remain in all respects as it was the day before the coming into force of this By-law, except as specifically provided for in Paragraph 1 of this By-law;
3. This By-law shall come into force on the day the new Council is organized following the first regular election following the passing of this By-law;
4. Notwithstanding Paragraph 3 of this By-law, the regular election held immediately before the coming into force of this By-law shall be conducted as if this By-law were already in force.

## Presentation to Special Committee of Peel Region

### Council Representation Proposal - Resolution Number 2020-1005

Whereas the Council of the Regional Municipality of Peel (the “Council”) has reviewed the number of its members that represent each of its local municipalities pursuant to s.218(6) of the Municipal Act, 2001 (the “Act”);

And whereas, the Council has formed the intention to pass a by-law pursuant to s.218(2)(a) of the Act to change the number of its members that represent the City of Brampton and the Town of Caledon while maintaining the number of its members that represent the City of Mississauga, thereby maintaining the overall number of members of the Council;

Therefore be it resolved, that notice be given pursuant to s.219(1) of the Act of Council’s intention to adopt a by-law to

- i) change the number of its members that represent the City of Brampton and the Town of Caledon by increasing the number representing Brampton by 2 to 9 members and decreasing the number representing Caledon by 2 to 3 members to be effective for purposes of the municipal election to be held in October 2022 and for purposes of the composition of the Council for the term of office to result from that election, and
- ii) to provide that the 2 additional members representing Brampton be selected by the Brampton City Council from among City Councillors to represent Brampton on Council for a full four year term;

And further, that staff be directed to organize a public meeting to be held to consider the matter of Council’s intention.

Presentation:

As a resident of Peel I am here to question the wording and perhaps the validity of Resolution 2020-1005, I would ask that the resolution is set aside, this request is made because I believe the wording of the resolution is flawed and without a legitimate basis, furthermore it is without reasonable logic.

Whereas the Peel Region councillors are paid by Peel Region to represent Peel Region and not as worded in the resolution representing the City of Brampton, the resolution if intended to be a motion by the City of Brampton should have been passed in open council at the City of Brampton meeting.

Furthermore the resolution formed by Regional Municipality of Peel (the “Council”) infers and falsely recognizes there are representatives of Caledon, Brampton and Mississauga; if this is the perception by council then there is much more to the issue than simply changing team colors.

<sup>1</sup>Quote: *There is a legal and ethical issue involved in serving on two councils. It is an important legal principle that a representative serving on a board of any organization must protect and advance the interests of that organization regardless of how the person obtained the position. Specifically, someone elected to an area municipal council who also serves on the regional council must always act in the best interest of the regional council when he or she is dealing with regional matters. However, the person also has a responsibility to her or his area municipality. Mayors already must strive to balance this issue.*

*Having double direct members on council would mean that every member of regional council will be serving two masters with the accompanying ethical and practical dilemmas.*

This quote and entire report is not without merit and brings to light a latent flaw in the election act and regulations left from the time of amalgamations of councils in Ontario. I would urge all councillors to support a motion to the Province of Ontario to have regulation made to remove this irregularity of the elections act and regulations in the next election of 2022, thereby removing the “ethical and practical dilemmas” for all of Ontario in the upper-tier government proceedings.

However regardless of the provincial machine moving on the issue, it is entirely within the power of Peel Region to be leaders in Ontario and pass a policy by-law to eradicate “double direct” representatives. The discussion on this would be apropos as we as a nation look for ways to bring trust and faith back into the political spectrum, the move would also make the position more acceptable as a part time position and open it to a greater number of candidates. Another valued added and democratic move forward.

As the Resolution also attempts to balance and infer “representation by population” principles, the “Council” if they believe this is consistent with the “electorates will” of Peel, would be well advised to follow Caledon’s example of a Ward Review and establish “Regional Wards”. Thus, the electorate may elect “Regional Councillors” satisfying those that crave “rep by pop” elections which are indeed better suited to the upper-tier government for the provision of hard services.

*(Bird, 2013) Other studies that have estimated cost functions have similarly found economies of scale for hard services such as water, sewers, and transportation, but generally not for such soft services as police, refuse collection, recreation, or planning (Bird and Slack 1993). Hard services are capital-intensive, so large government units can more readily make the substantial capital investments needed to extend the water distribution system or build a least-unit-cost-sized sewage treatment plant, for example (Bahl and Linn 1992). Other services, such as policing, are highly labour-intensive and hence unlikely to show significant economies of scale. Presumably much the same can be said with respect to other labour-intensive services such as social services, education, and to some extent even health.*

Regional wards would not necessarily follow the Municipal Ward boundaries and may or may not include tax base or resources as part of the guiding formula although I personally feel natural resource representation is extremely important to Peel. Creating a more balanced Peel council without municipal city boundaries should be a goal for Peel Regional council, not following archaic and geocentric politics based on Municipal boundaries.

The aggressive and verbal arguments we see today within our regional council(s) and committee(s) over geographical or shall we say historical boundaries, is not conducive to efficient business and government practice, especially in the upper-tier council chamber, it is not acceptable behaviour. I might add these behaviours roll over into your administration and how they position reports, presentations, etc. you all need to move to a better place and remember it is Peel region on the corporation registration, not Caledon, Brampton and Mississauga.

Appendix A

Upper Tier							Lower Tier			
Municipality	Number of councillors	Population	Ratio	Direct election of chair	Method of election	Number of municipalities	Municipality	Number of councillors	Population	Ratio
Peel	21	1,333,346	63,493	No	1 chair 3 mayors 21 councillors (double direct)	3	Mississauga	11	673,000	61,181.82
							Brampton	10	603,346	60,334.60
							Caledon	8	57,000	7,125.00
								1,333,346		

<b>Table 1: Elected Council Representatives for Two-tier Municipalities</b>										
	<b>Upper tier</b>						<b>Lower Tier Totals</b>			
Municipality	Number of councillors	Population	Ratio	Direct election of chair	Method of election	Number of municipalities	Number of councillors	Total number of councillors	Population per councillor	Ratio
Peel	25	1333346	53334	No	1 chair 3 mayors 21 councillors (double direct)	3	Brampton - 10 Caledon - 8 Mississauga - 11	29	45,977	1585
York	21	892712	42510	No	1 chair 9 mayors 11 councillors (double direct)	9	Aurora – 8 East Gwilliambury – 4 Georgina - 6 King - 6 Markham - 12 Newmarket - 8 Richmondhill - 8 Vaughan - 8 Whitchurch-Stouffville - 6	76	11,746	155



Waterloo	16	478121	29883	Yes	1 chair 7 mayors 8 councillors	7	Cambridge – 8 Kitchener - 10 Waterloo - 7 North Dumfries - 4 Wellesley - 4 Wilmot - 5 Woolwich – 4	58	8,243	142
County of Essex	14	393402	28100	No	1 warden elected by 7 mayors 7 deputy mayors from each county's municipality	7	Amherstburg - 5 Essex - 5 Kingsville - 5 Lakeshore - 6 LaSalle - 5 Leamington - 5 Tecumseh - 5	50	7,868	157
Halton	21	439256	20917	Yes	1 chair 4 mayors 16 councillors (double direct)	4	Burlington – 6 Halton Hills - 6 Milton - 10 Oakville – 12	39	11,263	289
Durham	29	561258	19354	No (Yes in 2014)	1 chair 8 mayors 20 councillors (double direct)	8	Ajax – 6 Brock - 6 Clarington - 6 Oshawa – 10 Pickering - 6 Scugog - 7 Uxbridge - 6 Whitby – 7	62	9,053	146
Niagara	31	427421	13788	No	1 chair 12 mayors 18 councillors (direct election)	12	Fort Erie – 6 Grimsby – 8 Lincoln – 8 Niagara Falls - 8 NOTL – 8 Pelham – 6 Port Colborne – 8 St. Catharines – 12 Thorold – 8 Wainfleet – 4 Welland – 12 West Lincoln – 6	125	3,419	27

Oxford County	10	102756	10276	No	1 warden 8 mayors 2 councillors	8	Blandford-Blenheim- 4 East Zorra-Tavistock-6 Ingersoll-6 Norwich-4 South-West Oxford-6 Tillsonburg- 6 Woodstock- 6 Zorra-4	50	2,055	41
Bruce County	8	65439	8180	No	1 warden 8 mayors	8	Arran-Elderslie-6 Brockton- 6 Huron-Kinloss- 6 Kincardine- 7 Northern Bruce Peninsula – 4 Saugeen Shores- 8 South Bruce- 6 South Bruce Peninsula- 8	59	1,109	19
Muskoka	23	57563	2503	No	1 District Chair 6 Mayors 16 District Councillors (double direct)	6	Bracebridge - 8 Gravenhurst - 8 Lake of Bays - 5 Georgian Bay - 5 Huntsville - 8 Muskoka Lakes - 9	50	1,151	23

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**December 3, 2020**

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**From:** joe grogan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** December 3, 2020 4:25 PM  
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**Cc:** ALLAN THOMPSON [REDACTED] Downey, Johanna  
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**Subject:** CALEDON'S REPRESENTATION ON REGION OF PEEL COUNCIL AND MEETING-THURSDAY, DEC.  
17/2020

I am not able to attend the meeting on Dec. 17th, 2020 to discuss this subject.

I wish to register my strong protest over the manner used to discuss this situation with the possible loss of 2 Regional Councillors for Caledon on Regional Council. I strongly oppose this change which would negatively affect the interests of all residents and businesses in Caledon. With the growth that is expected in Caledon over the next 20 years, Caledon and in particular Bolton will need an increase in councillors at the Region, not fewer. How does a drop in number of councillors for Caledon as proposed, help Caledon?

In addition, why is this matter to be discussed on Dec. 17 during a terrible pandemic and at the height of the Christmas season? Besides, pandemic conditions and bureaucratic procedures prevent most people from expressing their views in-person but instead can only really participate virtually. That is an affront to democracy and real accountability. Furthermore, some of the public only learned of these discussions within the last 10 days which obviously has not allowed for proper consultation with the public affected. The majority of Caledon residents are not even aware of this matter. Where does the fault for that lie?

This matter has NOT received proper consideration by the councillors of Brampton and Mississauga and requires Caledon elected representatives to consult widely within Caledon. Why would Regional Council deny us that right? Even if representatives from Brampton and Mississauga were to pause in their considerations, they would logically have to admit that the proposed change is illogical and totally unfair. In addition, some members of the Caledon community suspect that the "fix was-in" even prior to the recent Region of Peel meeting on Nov. 25/2020 raising serious questions about Region of Peel Governance.

Please ensure that this letter is circulated ASAP to ALL members of Regional Council. Thank you.

Joe Grogan/[REDACTED]

From: Mary Cooney [REDACTED]  
Sent: December 7, 2020 11:05 AM  
To: ZYG-RegionalClerk <[zzyg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zzyg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
Subject: Vote at the Region of Peel for Caledon to loose representation.

I am a lifetime resident of Caledon and was very aware that in about 1974, Caledon, Mississauga and Brampton were directed by the Provincial Gov. to come together as a Region. At the time the agreement certainly was aware of the large land mass that Caledon encompasses and so we were given seats to accommodate this land space.

I am very disappointed in the way which Caledon was blind sided and voted against to lose seats at the Region, I felt that the issue was not handled professionally.

My first reaction was to have Caledon withdraw from the Region, and my second was that we should be given more time to address this monument purposed change.

I do not support a vote occurring immediately.

Sincerely

Mary Cooney  
[REDACTED]

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Cc: Allan Thompson <[mavor@caledon.ca](mailto:mavor@caledon.ca)>  
Subject: Proposed By-Law to Change Regional Council Composition

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Council, Regional Municipality of Peel  
Clerk's Division  
10 Peel Centre Drive, Suite A, 5<sup>th</sup> floor  
Brampton, ON L6T 4B9

Attention: Kathryn Lockyer, Regional Clerk

Dear Clerk and Councillors:

Please receive this correspondence as part of the December 17, 2020 public meeting submissions in regard to the proposal to amend the composition of Regional Council.

Prior to moving forward with the proposed By-Law to amend Council composition, Regional Council must consider the manner (process) in which this proposal was tabled and the current timing of the proposal, prior to assessing the merits/detriments of the proposal itself.

#### **Process**

Although the issue of Council composition has been raised before, it is an issue of such importance that bringing it forward by a walk-on motion, does not serve the imperative of fair process. A fair process would include adequate notice to each Council and to members of the public to enable community awareness and participation (genuine engagement). The process before us does not do that.

#### **Current Timing**

Brining forward a motion of this importance should not take place in the midst of what - clearly to all - is a health crisis that, rightfully, is occupying the attention of the people who would be most directly impacted, or, who could have an impact on such a decision. Further, restrictions due to COVID-19 may limit what would normally be a public engagement process that meets the basic requirements of the Municipal Act. Again, this fails to meet the standard of robust, if not ethical, community engagement that we expect of our elected representatives and professional municipal staff.

As the saying goes, "*We can do better!*"

In submission, *the proposal to amend Council composition should be deferred until a more appropriate time and brought forward in an way that serves public engagement.* Ideally, the question of Council composition, should be part of a broader inquiry with genuine public dialogue regarding the effectiveness of the current regional system in effectively and equitably meeting the needs and aspirations of citizens in Mississauga, Brampton and Caledon, as well as alternatives for meeting those imperatives.

Sincerely,

R. D. (Bob) Waldon  
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: Joanna Valeriani [REDACTED]  
Sent: December 8, 2020 2:25 PM  
To: ZYG-RegionalClerk <[zzyg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zzyg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
Subject: proposed by-law to change the composition of Regional Council

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As a resident of Peel in the Town of Caledon, I find it offensive that the Mayor of Brampton has taken this action at a time when and in particular the Town of Caledon has been most supportive of Brampton during this pandemic. To push thru this self serving agenda and not allow for proper community involvement from all areas of Peel is undermining the sense of community that Caledon has always showed to both Brampton and Mississauga. Caledon makes up almost 1/2 of the land mass for Peel - we continue to grow in the form of Residential, Industrial and Commercial. While Brampton may believe they require to additional seats it should not come at the expense of Caledon. The proper solution would be to defer this to true public consultation and regional assesment studies and impacts to all 3 communities. I don't believe the answer is to take away seats from anyone. The bylaw should be amended to add "additional" seats to the Region for the purpose of Brampton requiring more representation at the table and that Brampton apply for these extra seats not solely based on population but rather the growth plan for Brampton and how these seats will be of value to have them. I also find it offensive that Mayor Bonnie Crombie comes up with ridiculous self-serving amendments at the Region of Peel with the sole purpose of supporting Mississauga and failing to see the needs of all 3 communities as a whole. The Town of Caledon has always worked with the Region as a whole.

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From: KnNY [REDACTED]  
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Subject: Written Submissions: Dec. 17 public meeting

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REF: November 26th motion to change Peel council composition

*Dear Ms. Lockyer,  
I would like the following to be included as a written submission to the  
December 17th public meeting.  
Thank you.*

*Regards.  
K. Yates*

[REDACTED]

The November 26th late-day motion to change the composition of Council at The Region of Peel was a blind-side to Caledon. It was not on the Regional meeting agenda, nor was there any sign of it coming.

To add insult to injury, one of Caledon's own councillors sided with Brampton and Mississauga to, in my opinion, give Caledon away.

Councillor Groves made an equally profound and shocking betrayal of her own municipality, Town Council colleagues, and constituents on July 21, 2016 when she voted against Caledon residents' best interest to allow Brampton and Mississauga to dictate planning decisions in Caledon. (see [Groves Supporting Solmar](#) and [Enterprise, July 27, 2016](#))

Then, just as now, I do not buy the "cheaper" argument. "Cheaper" for whom? Who is going to benefit when Brampton and Mississauga are overriding Caledon to make planning and development decisions? Documents on the Region's web site debunk the inflated figure quoted at the time.

In my view, these two incidents of betrayal by Councillor Groves seem very much linked together, and linked to development.

Nor do I buy the "under-represented by population" argument put forward by Brampton and Mississauga, and quoted by Councillor Groves. Caledon and its residents have the same rights as those in Brampton and

Mississauga. Just because those two jurisdictions are more populous does not mean they have the right to trample on those of Caledon.

The way I see it, Canada's system of government has two chambers for a reason. The House of Parliament is representation by population. The senate is representation by province. This is to give smaller provinces, such as P.E.I., some voice at the national level, and protect them from being run over by more populous provinces such as Ontario and Quebec. Why ever on earth should the municipal structure not have the same safe-guards?

In fact, it does. The oft quoted section 218 in Chapter 25 of the Municipal Act includes "...in addition to anything else the Minister wishes to consider...". In other words, the concept of representation by population can be tempered and modified with other factors and considerations.

I might point out that the American system is structured in exactly the same way. The House of Representatives is representation by population, the Senate protects states' rights.

The November 26<sup>th</sup> motion, and the way in which it was presented, was an egregious political move by Brampton and Mississauga against Caledon. I would have expected better from Patrick Brown. To vote in favour of it was an equally egregious betrayal by Councillor Groves against Caledon, and to me, her flimsy justification makes it even worse.



**From:** Donna Davies [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:**

We would like to express our deep concern with regard to the motion to reduce Caledon's representation on the Regional Council by two seats.

Caledon is a huge and growing area of Peel. We may have a smaller population than Brampton and Mississauga, but our population is growing and we feel that having 1/5 representation on this Council should not be reduced. We feel that we would not be fairly represented if this number is reduced.

Please consider this.

30-year residents of Caledon  
Donna & Charles Davies

Donna Davies  
[REDACTED]

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Subject: Postponement

**December 9, 2020**

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I sincerely request Regional Council to postpone any action on regional representation until after COVID-19 is under control and individuals who are older and under health restraints can fully participate in a democratic dialogue about this matter. I ask that you table my request with members of Regional Council.  
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**From:** Bernie [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** December 10, 2020 8:49 AM  
**To:** ZG-RegionalClerk <[zcg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zcg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Reducing Caledon number of Regional Counselors.

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Reducing Caledon's number of Regional Counselors.

Caledon is the largest part of the region of Peel by far. The plans call for a very large increase in its population. Caledon is an agricultural community that has to face many problems that are quite different than the rest of the Peel region. Caledon needs to retain its conservation areas, its current farming community and should remain a strong advocate for climate change. For all these reasons and many others, we need to retain the right to have a say in our community with adequate representation in the region of Peel. Do not reduce our representation. We all need fair representation. Thank you.  
Bernie

Bernie Rochon

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**From:** Joanne Crease [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** December 10, 2020 9:56 AM  
**To:** ZG-RegionalClerk <[zgz-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zgz-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
**Subject:** Regional council composition concerns

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Good morning Kathryn;

I'm writing to you to voice my opinion in the recent Peel Regional Council's effort to increase Brampton's representation at the Council table by removing 2 seats from Caledon and giving them to Brampton.

I have no objection in Brampton getting more seats - but I strongly object to that being at the expense of Caledon. If there can be no increase in overall Regional Council seats for some unknown reasons - then reassign 2 of Mississauga's seats to Brampton.

I have a strong objection on how this matter was brought to the Regional Council - it was not included on the formal agenda.

The allocation of Council seats should be a public process with input from all parties - not decided by a piece of correspondence attached to an agenda at the last minute. That is not how the process should work and discussion on the piece of correspondence should have been deferred to another meeting. I am totally flabbergasted that this was allowed to 'morph' into a vote, with many negative impacts for Caledon.

Caledon is a large land mass and will have a lot of growth in the next few years. The Province assigns rural representation taking into account landmass and the issues that come with it. The Province assigns urban representation by population.

As a resident of Caledon, I strongly feel Caledon should have control over planning for our community just as Brampton and Mississauga had opportunities to plan theirs! Why do the rules appear to change for us? Because it's their developers that want to convert Caledon into another Brampton or Mississauga?

I strongly feel Caledon's Regional Council representation should remain at the current level and this discussion can be deferred until the proper public input is received and proper analysis of representation can be completed.

Thanks very much;

Joanne Crease

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From: Ken Moore [REDACTED]  
Sent: December 10, 2020 10:13 AM  
To: ZYG-RegionalClerk <[zzyg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zzyg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
Subject: Caledon Council

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As a concerned citizen of Caledon, having lived here for 40 years, my wife Angie and I object to reducing our representation on council by two members, and especially moving those members to Brampton. At this period in the expansion of development in our area, we need less pressure on our citizens to reduce the open spaces we now enjoy. We never intended to live in a high density area here in the north end of Caledon.

Please present our objections at your upcoming meeting.

Ken & Angela Moore

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**From:** Harry Skiddaw Crease [REDACTED]

**Sent:** December 10, 2020 1:47 PM

**To:** ZG-RegionalClerk <[zcg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zcg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>

**Cc:** Innis, Jennifer <[jennifer.innis@caledon.ca](mailto:jennifer.innis@caledon.ca)>; Thompson, Allan <[allan.thompson@caledon.ca](mailto:allan.thompson@caledon.ca)>

**Subject:** Loss of representation for Caledon

Dear Ms Lockyer,

The last Peel Council meeting that saw a walk on motion coordinated by Patrick Brown and Carolyn Parrish take two seats away from Caledon and give them to Brampton was a travesty of municipal governance.

No one doubts that a rapidly growing Brampton could use more representation; however, Caledon's population is projected to increase exponentially over the next decade so it makes no sense to reduce representation.

In reviewing the livestream of the meeting, it appeared that Regional Councillor Jennifer Innis TWICE tried to have this matter deferred and was ignored. I respectfully ask that this motion be reversed and deferred until a full public discussion and debate is conducted and appropriate consensus is met.

The Ontario Legislature is on recess until the middle of February. Surely we can take the time to properly discuss and decide on the most appropriate model of municipal representation for Peel.

Sincerely,

H. S. Crease  
Bolton

**From:** Carolyn Vallejo [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** December 10, 2020 2:26 PM  
**To:** ZZG-RegionalClerk <[zzg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zzg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
**Subject:** Caledon's Representation on Regional Council

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Dear Kathryn Lockyer,

I am writing as a concerned citizen of Caledon to ask Peel Regional council to please allow Caledon to keep its current 5 seats on regional council. We are a growing town with its population set to double by 2041. We cannot afford to lose the important representation we currently have. Reduced representation will jeopardize our ability to have a say in our future development. Brampton is a large municipality and needs better representation but not at the expense of Caledon's voice.

Please consider a solution to this issue that does not decrease Caledon's voice on Regional Council.

Yours sincerely,

Carolyn Vallejo  
Caledon resident

From: Marion Cole [REDACTED]  
Sent: December 10, 2020 4:48 PM  
To: ZZG-RegionalClerk <[zzg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zzg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
Subject: Fwd: Caledon Representation

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Greetings

I am aware that there is a proposal to reduce Caledon's representation on Peel Regional Council from 5 members to 2. This suggestion is totally unacceptable in the best interests of Caledon. I'm in opposition of Mississauga and Brampton making decisions for Caledon. Please include my concerns at the December 17th meeting.

Respectfully,

MARION Cole  
[REDACTED]



**From:** Joan DeGraves [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** December 10, 2020 6:10 PM  
**To:** ZG-RegionalClerk <[zcg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zcg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
**Cc:** Neil McKay [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Proposed Changes to Council Seats in Peel: Please do not take Caledon seats/voices away from Council

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Dear Kathryn:

We understand that Peel Regional Council wants to increase Brampton's representation at the council by removing two seats from Caledon.

At a time when Caledon is slated to become the fastest growing area in Peel this really is a bad time to consider reducing Caledon's representation on Council from 5 of the 25 seats to 3 of the 25 seats. As proud residents of Caledon, we do not want Brampton and Mississauga to make Caledon's planning decisions. While Brampton may very well need more representation, it is wrong to give it at the expense of Caledon.

We love where we live, and Caledon has different needs to those of Brampton and Mississauga. These are important to our residents.

Please retain our voice/seats on Council.

Yours truly,  
Joan DeGraves and  
Neil McKay

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From: COLE [REDACTED]  
Sent: December 10, 2020 9:08 PM  
To: ZYG-RegionalClerk <[zyg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zyg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
Subject: Caledon Representation

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Dear Sir / Madam, it has come to my notice that there is a proposal to reduce Caledons representation on Peel region council from 5 seats to 2.  
In my opinion this is totally unacceptable as in practice it would amount to NO representation. Caledon would then be governed by Mississauga and Brampton.  
If this move is approved my recommendation is that Caledon split from Peel entirely.

Regards  
Brian Cole

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From: Carol Good [REDACTED]  
Sent: December 11, 2020 5:26 PM  
To: ZYG-RegionalClerk <[zzyg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zzyg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
Subject: Input for Dec 17, 2020 Peel Regional Council Public Meeting

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Dear Ms. Lockyer

I am writing to you as a Peel resident living in Caledon. I have been monitoring the developments of the proposal to change the configuration of Regional Council to increase the number of seats occupied by Brampton representatives and decrease those occupied by Caledon Councillors. I want my input to be included in the Public Meeting scheduled for Dec 17.

Adequate representation is important for all Peel residents. The population of the Region is projected to grow substantially in the next 10-20 years with a lot of those people moving into Caledon. This means we need to at least maintain our current number of Regional Council representatives - and perhaps even an increase depending on how the growth is managed.

I suggest that the whole Regional Council structure be re-evaluated to enhance balanced decision-making across the Region rather than shuffling seats between only two of the three municipalities.

Thank you for including my comments.

Sincerely

Carol

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Carol Good (she/her)

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**From:** Jerry Gorman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** December 13, 2020 5:32 PM  
**To:** ZZG-RegionalClerk <[zzg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zzg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
**Subject:** Proposal To Reduce Council Seats for Caledon

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Please attach this to the agenda for the December 17 Regional Council meeting.

Kathryn Lockyer  
Region of Peel Clerk  
December 12, 2020

I am writing to express my concerns and ask that they be included as a written submissions with the Agenda for the 17<sup>th</sup> . At a time when Caledon is slated to become the fastest growing area in Peel it would be wrong to reduce Caledon's representation on Regional Council from 5 of the 25 seats to 3 of the 25 seats. While Brampton may very well need more representation, this should be accomplished by creating new seats on the Regional Council for Brampton. It is wrong to give take seats at the expense of Caledon.

Jerry Gorman  
[REDACTED]

From: Janice Bezanson [REDACTED]  
Sent: December 13, 2020 10:40 PM  
To: ZG-RegionalClerk <[zcg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zcg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
Subject: Reducing Caledon's voice

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Sender's Name: Janice Bezanson

Sender's Email: [REDACTED]

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By way of this email I am voicing my opposition to the reduction in counsel seats in Caledon. I do believe that Brampton should have an increase in seats but not at the expense of Caledon. Our needs in the mostly rural Caledon are very different than the needs of Mississauga and Brampton. 3 seated out of 24 is not sufficient representation.

Thank you

Janice Bezanson

**From:** Todd Letts <[tletts@bramptonbot.com](mailto:tletts@bramptonbot.com)>

**Sent:** December 14, 2020 11:47 AM

**To:** ZG-RegionalClerk <[zgz-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zgz-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>

**Cc:** Lorraine De Nardis-Assenza <[Lorraine@bramptonbot.com](mailto:Lorraine@bramptonbot.com)>

**Subject:** Brampton Board of Trade written submission re: December 17th Public Meeting on Composition of Regional Council

Good morning,

Please see attached, a written submission from the Brampton Board of Trade to be included on the agenda for the upcoming December 17<sup>th</sup> Public Meeting on the Composition of Regional Council.

Thank you sincerely,

Todd Letts



**Todd Letts | Chief Executive Officer**

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**Re: Written Submission - December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Public Meeting on Composition of Regional Council**

Dear Chair Iannicca and Members of Council,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the proposal to change the composition of regional council.

Representation by population is an important principle of our democracy. As population share among the three municipalities changes in Peel Region, so too should voting representation on Region of Peel Council.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Vanessa White'.

Vanessa White  
Chair, Brampton Board of Trade

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Todd Letts'.

Todd Letts,  
CEO, Brampton Board of Trade

**From:** Sheralyn Roman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** December 14, 2020 11:05 AM  
**To:** ZZG-RegionalClerk <[zzg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zzg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
**Subject:** Delegation via written submission

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Good Morning,

I am writing to you today as a concerned Caledon resident of over 20+ years and hope that you will consider the attached letter as my written submission on the matter of Regional Council representation.

Thank you,  
Sheralyn Roman

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WITH THANKS,

*Sheralyn*



December 2020

To: Regional Council via the Regional Clerk Kathryn Lockyer  
From: Sheralyn Roman  
Re: The Matter of Regional Council Representation for Caledon

To All Members of Regional Council,

As a concerned citizen of Caledon I write today to express my dismay at the misappropriation of due council process on regional representation, and the resultant impact on the Caledon community.

Perhaps you think “misappropriation” is a strong word not befitting the situation. To misappropriate something is to “take something, dishonestly, for your own use.” I would suggest, rather strongly, that this is exactly what is happening at the Regional Council table as Brampton attempts to misappropriate Caledon seats for its own use. That they are doing so, during such a difficult time and with the support of one member of Caledon council is particularly egregious, especially when one considers that Caledon has fully supported Brampton’s efforts to have more seats at the Regional table. Mayor Brown, this is very disappointing. We have attempted to partner in your efforts and even now, agree you need additional representation but let me be clear – NOT AT CALEDON’S EXPENSE.

Caledon, in part at the behest of mandated growth (about which Regional Council is well aware) will be experiencing rapid population growth over the next 30 years, essentially doubling our population. These plans for growth also include the potential of a 400 series highway running through the community. Additionally, environmental concerns abound. At a time when our growth is exponential and with many concerns impacting both Caledon and the Region, it is outrageous to consider removing ANY of our seats at the Regional table. As part of our growth plans we are also currently undertaking a Ward Boundary review such is our concern for adequate representation across our community. This move at a regional level is counter-intuitive in the extreme.

Caledon is at a crossroads as a community and I, along with the great majority of our community, implore you to do the right thing. That is – unequivocally – to maintain every, single, one of the Caledon seats at the regional table. Failure to do otherwise is literally, a failure of the democratic process as was the initial “walk on” motion that initiated this process in the first place. A move to cut our democratic representation by 40% is unacceptable. It’s that simple.

With concern,  
Sheralyn Roman,

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**From:** Paramjit Singh Birdi [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** December 14, 2020 11:18 AM  
**To:** ZG-RegionalClerk <[zcg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca](mailto:zcg-regionalclerk@peelregion.ca)>  
**Subject:** Proposed by-Law to vchange Regional Council Representtation. Meeeting on17 December, 2020

Respected Clerk

As a resident of Brampton from last 18 years, I have met with many experiences while My City is undervalued and having less representation at Region of Peel.

I think this is the time when We all have to grow by hand in hand with our neighbouring Cities and with proper representation on all levels of Governments. So, we need to discuss and understand the right and genuine representation at all level of Government.

Thank you all for taking this matter on the Agenda to make an educated and better decision for the Better representation at our Regional Government.

To put my views forward and for a better and genuine representation at Region of Peel, I want to put forward my input and views by participating in this very important meeting scheduled for 17th December, 2020.

Please confirm my request to represent my City of Brampton at this upcoming meeting.

Thanks n Regards

PARAMJIT SINGH BIRDI

[REDACTED]