WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS REGIONAL COUNCIL April 28, 2022

Subject: Item 14.4 Submitted by 12 Individuals

Received from April 24, 2022 to April 28, 2022

Defer Peel 2051 Official Plan Until After the June Election

(Receipt recommended)

Dear Regional Councillors,

I am writing to ask that you and Peel Regional Council vote to defer consideration of the Draft Peel 2051 Official Plan until after June 2, 2022. While it is clear that we are on the verge of being strong-armed by the present provincial administration into a plan that would be financially and environmentally disastrous, Regional governments are not obliged to finalize their Official Plans until July 22. There is every reason to hope that the intervening provincial election will bring about a suspension of that conformity deadline, and establish new planning rules that let Peel Region plan more prudently.

Planning and Growth Management committee indicates that it has been pushed by the present government's "rigid Provincially mandated policy framework" and imposition of an unprecedented 2051 planning horizon, to approve a flawed and risky plan. Voting for this plan before June 2 would see Peel lock itself into bulldozing green space at around double the current rate for 30 years straight, destroying roughly 27,500 acres by 2051 and leaving most existing neighborhoods mired in car-dependency that makes it impossible for Peel to meet its climate change obligations. In the Committee's own words, this would create "strong pressure for designated land to be made available for development decades in advance of need in a potentially premature, unstructured and piecemeal basis."

Approving the present Draft Peel 2051 before June 2, 2022 would be contrary to the clear marching orders Peel Region received from the public. Experts ranging from biologists and physicians to legal and land use planning experts made it clear that Peel Region can and should accommodate the next 30 years of new homes and workplaces within its existing settlement area, by tackling exclusionary zoning and requiring much more efficient land use in the existing Designated Greenfield Area. Almost all of the more 750 written and oral deputations, along 73% of official consultation responses, demanded that Regional Council adopt this efficient, environmentally friendly approach.

The good news is that Peel Region could still have a way out. Based on what we've heard from provincial political parties, there is good reason to expect that this year's Provincial election, set for early June, will result in the suspension of the current July 1st Official Plan deadline and the cancellation of the misguided land use policies being used to railroad municipalities into sprawl. I am asking you not to squander that chance. Please vote to defer any Council decision on the Draft Peel 2051 Official Plan until after June 2.

Sincerely,	REFERRAL TO
Name(s)	RECOMMENDED
Email Address	DIRECTION REQUIRED
Postal Code	RECEIPT RECOMMENDED ✓
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cc: All Members of Regional Council

The form letter was submitted by the following individuals before 9:30 a.m. on April 28, 2022:

Number	Name	Municipality (Based on Postal Code provided)	Date Received	Comments
1	Samantha Angel	Mississauga	4/24/2022	
2	Julia Kole	Mississauga	4/25/2022	
3	Olivia Barrett	Ottawa	4/25/2022	
4	Patricia Leggett	Inisfil	4/25/2022	
5	Carol Aziz	Mississauga	4/25/2022	
6	Deborah D'Amico	North York	4/25/2022	
7	Brittanie Semper	Brampton	4/26/2022	
8	Sylvie Delisle	Mountain	4/26/2022	
9	Rohit Mehta	Richmond Hill	4/27/2022	
10	Patty Valenti	Mississauga	4/27/2022	
11	Elena Solokhina	North York	4/27/2022	
12	Sofiya Chorniy	Etobicoke	4/28/2022	