

Integrity Commissioner releases investigation report

Integrity Commissioner discusses findings during Special Committee of the Whole meeting held June 19, 2018

VAUGHAN, ON (June 20, 2018) – The following is a statement by Suzanne Craig, Integrity Commissioner and Lobbyist Registrar, with the City of Vaughan, issued in response to the Integrity Commissioner’s most recent Code of Conduct Complaint Investigation Report, which was in respect of Councillor Tony Carella (Respondent):

“As the City’s Accountability Officer, I am responsible for providing policy advice, complaint resolution and education to Members of Council on issues of ethics and integrity under the Council Member Code of Conduct.

“Vaughan’s Mayor, Council and administration continue to make openness, transparency and accountability a cornerstone of city-building.

“My office undertook an investigation in response to a complaint received on May 28, 2018, in full compliance of the Complaint Protocol.

“Under the Code of Ethical Conduct Complaint Protocol, the Integrity Commissioner shall report to Council the result of a formal investigation.

“In light of the sincere apology and the Respondent’s commitment to abide by the Code and the City of Vaughan’s obligations under employment rules, my office recommended that the Respondent receive a reprimand from Council.

“During a Special Committee of the Whole, held on Tuesday, June 18, 2018, Vaughan Council voted to accept my office’s report and recommendations.

“Vaughan continues to go above and beyond its statutory accountability requirements in its efforts to deliver a quality of government service for its municipal residents and business that has served as model for other municipal governments in Ontario and beyond.”

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