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Ms. Kimberley Kitteringham, Clerk City of Markham 101 Town Centre Blvd. Markham, ON L3R 9W3

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Dear Ms. Kitteringham:

RE: FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT OF THE YONGE STREET NORTH SUBWAY EXTENSION

Attached for your information is **Item 34**, **Report No. 52**, of the Committee of the Whole regarding the above-noted matter which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan at its meeting of December 10, 2013.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey A. Abrams City Clerk

Attachment:

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## CITY OF VAUGHAN

## EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 10, 2013

Item 34, Report No. 52, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted without amendment by the Council of the City of Vaughan on December 10, 2013.

## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT OF THE YONGE STREET NORTH SUBWAY EXTENSION

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following resolution submitted by Councillor Shefman, dated November 26, 2013:

## Member's Resolution

Submitted by Councillor Alan Shefman

Whereas, Council is in support of the Yonge subway extension of 6.8 kilometres from Finch station to Richmond Hill Centre to address the critical transit needs of the City of Vaughan, adjacent municipalities and York Region in general; and

Whereas, Metrolinx has identified the Yonge subway extension as a priority project and Council has adopted a resolution to call on Metrolinx to prioritize the funding and construction of the Yonge subway extension including immediately providing incremental funding to allow VivaNext to move to the next step in project planning; and

Whereas, the Government of Canada pledged \$660 million to support the subway extension to Scarborough in September 2013 even though this project is not identified as a transit priority by Metrolinx; and

Whereas, the Government of Canada has committed to develop a new Building Canada Fund for infrastructure funding to encourage a stronger economy;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that Council reaffirms its strong support for the Yonge subway extension to Richmond Hill Centre and calls upon the Government of Canada to invest in the Yonge subway extension with funding support from the new Building Canada Fund and/or other funding programs;

That this resolution be forwarded to the Honourable Jim Flaherty, Minister of Finance, the Honourable Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, the Honourable Denis Lebel, Minister of Infrastructure, Communities and Intergovernmental Affairs, Premier Kathleen Wynn, the local Members of Parliament, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, York Region, City of Toronto, City of Markham, Town of Richmond Hill and Metrolinx for support.