

Hau, Lucy

From: Birrell, Sheila
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2008 11:35 AM
To: 'donna stefoff'
Cc: Burke, Valerie; Shapero, Erin; Hau, Lucy
Subject: RE:

Dear Ms. Steffoff
I will place your communication on next Tuesday's Council agenda.

Sheila Birrell
Town Clerk
Town of Markham

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From: donna stefoff [mailto:dsteffoff@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2008 8:38 PM
To: Birrell, Sheila
Cc: Burke, Valerie; Shapero, Erin
Subject:

Dear Ms Birell,

I would like you to please forward this email to the Mayor and the members of Council.

I am not able to attend the Council Meeting on Tuesday, January 22 but want you to know that I fully support the motion that Valerie Burke, Erin Shapero and Tony Wong have put forward regarding the widening of Bayview Avenue.

I wonder why Regional Staff did not have to report the results of the public meetings to the Regional Council?

I wonder why an email that I had forwarded to the Mayor and the Regional Councillors in June (by Valerie Burke) merited only ONE reply?....that of Mr. Heath?

I wonder why increased traffic, air pollution, noise, pedestrian safety, storm water runoff ,impacts to infrastructure and residential properties, erosion, deterioration of local streams and rivers etc. are not enough evidence for reconsideration of your PLAN?

I wonder why the Lanstaff industrial lands have not been considered as a site for a Go Train, Subway and Parking Hub? There is good access there from Bayview north and south,Hwy 7 and the 407. Therefore...NO widening concerns.

In the end, MILLIONS of dollars will be spent for basically 2 buslanes. Have you done a study that gives evidence that more people will use buses?

I would love to ride the bus BUT it's a long walk to Bayview and my car is more convenient. If I choose to drive to the Thornhill Community Centre to take a bus, there are not enough designated parking spots for commuter cars. Also buses don't come often enough and rarely keep to a schedule.

I suggest that you should decide to "do nothing" until more studies have been done and more intelligent people with better ideas are on board.

Donna Steffoff