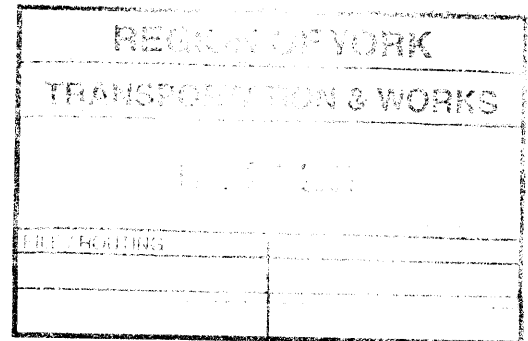


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**Re: Bayview Avenue from Elgin Mills Road to Stouffville Road Class
Environmental Assessment (EA) Study Our File No: T02- 8068-C**

Dear Mr. Wolf,

My wife and I were very pleased to meet with you on May 4 to discuss the latest developments in the plan to widen Bayview Avenue. We were happy indeed to learn that plans have been modified in a way that will avoid expropriating part of our front yard and destroying our hedge and trees.

We appreciate the efforts you have made to arrive at an accommodation of our needs, and, by means of this letter I would also like to thank Mayor Bell, Councillor Spatafora and other decision makers who took a personal interest in this case. I think that the resolution of this particular problem is a tribute both to Canadian democracy, and to the care and sensitivity of our local government. When the needs of one taxpayer can command such sympathetic attention from York Region and the Town of Richmond Hill, one can feel very proud of our system of government and very confident that the interests of individual citizens do indeed matter.

We realize that the plan you shared with us will have to go through an approval process which may modify some details before it is implemented. Our remaining concern is that the ditch may come so close to the hedge that the trees behind the hedge may be harmed by damage to their roots. We understand that there will be an assessment of this aspect before plans are finalized, and you will consult with us on the findings.

Thank you again for your responsiveness to our needs, and the very professional way in which you dealt with our concerns.

All good wishes,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Larry Muller". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

F.C.L.Muller

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