

Paul De Buono Campaign

(for Councillor, City of Vaughan – Ward 3)

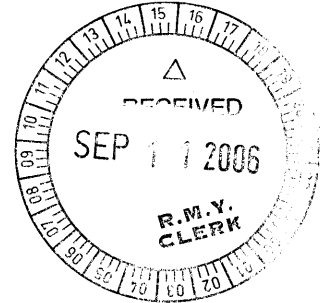
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Denis Kelly, Regional Clerk (York Region)
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RE: Request for Oral Deputation at the September 21, 2006 Meeting of Regional Council (Item # Unknown from the September 6, 2006 Meeting of the Transportation & Works Committee - General Topic: Election Sign By-Law for the City of Vaughan)

Dear Mr. Kelly:

I would like to appear before Regional Council at its September 21, 2006 meeting on an item that appeared at the September 6, 2006 meeting of the Transportation & Works Committee. I regret not being able to refer to the Item Number from the Transportation & Works Committee. The Item apparently was added as an addendum at the last moment (and does not currently appear on the online agenda), which in part prevented me from addressing the issue in writing at that time. The Item had to do with the City of Vaughan's request to York Region to change its election sign by-law for the City of Vaughan, by not permitting election signs on regional roads.

I am a candidate in the municipal election. I relied on York Region's current by-law when contemplating my expenses, including potentially signs, for the election. I know other candidates who also relied on the current by-law. It is unfair for the City of Vaughan to change its by-law within a month of when the current by-law would have permitted signs to be erected. It will be even more unfair if York Regional Council complies with the City's official request, within a few weeks of when the current by-law would have permitted signs.

I believe that the City of Vaughan's request will have a negative impact environmentally. Placement of signs on regional roads provides effective exposure for a new candidate. If not permitted to place signs on regional roads, then I believe that I am more likely to purchase more signs in order to get a similar exposure. Permitting me to place signs on regional roads will likely lead to purchasing less signs.

Thank for the opportunity to speak before Regional Council on September 21, 2006 on this issue.

Sincerely,

Paul De Buono