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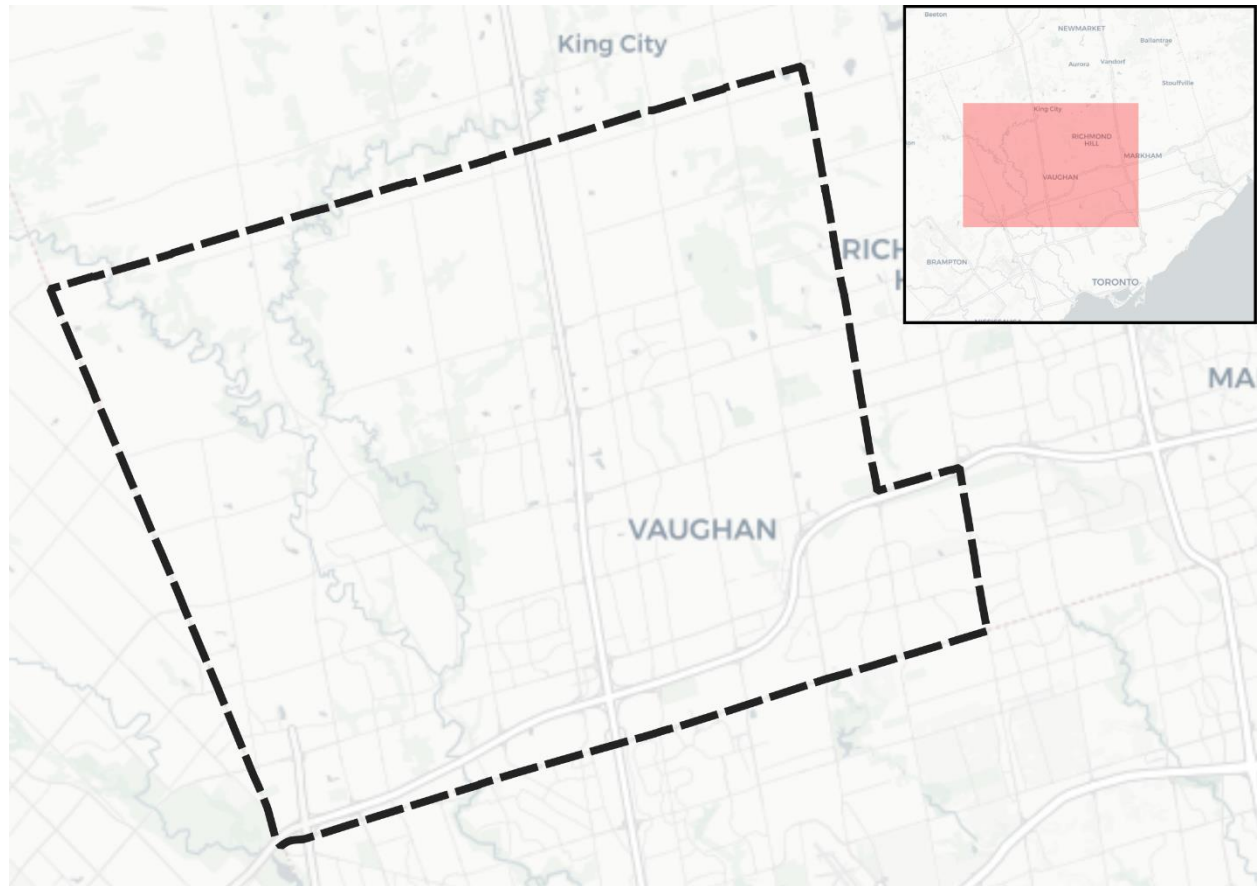
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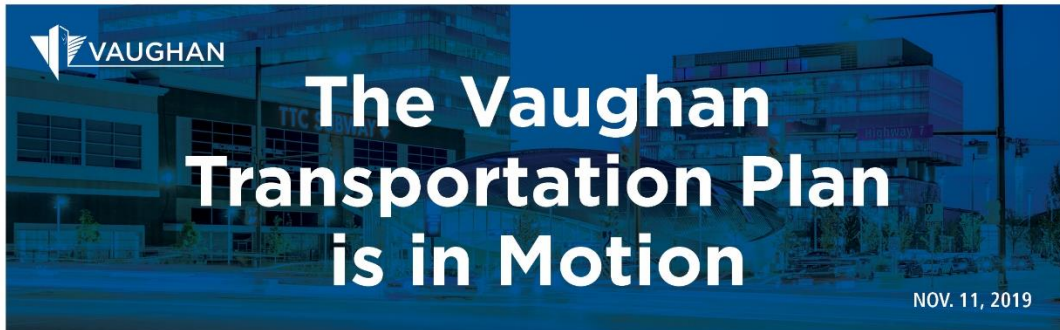
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File No.: EA 01-06-05

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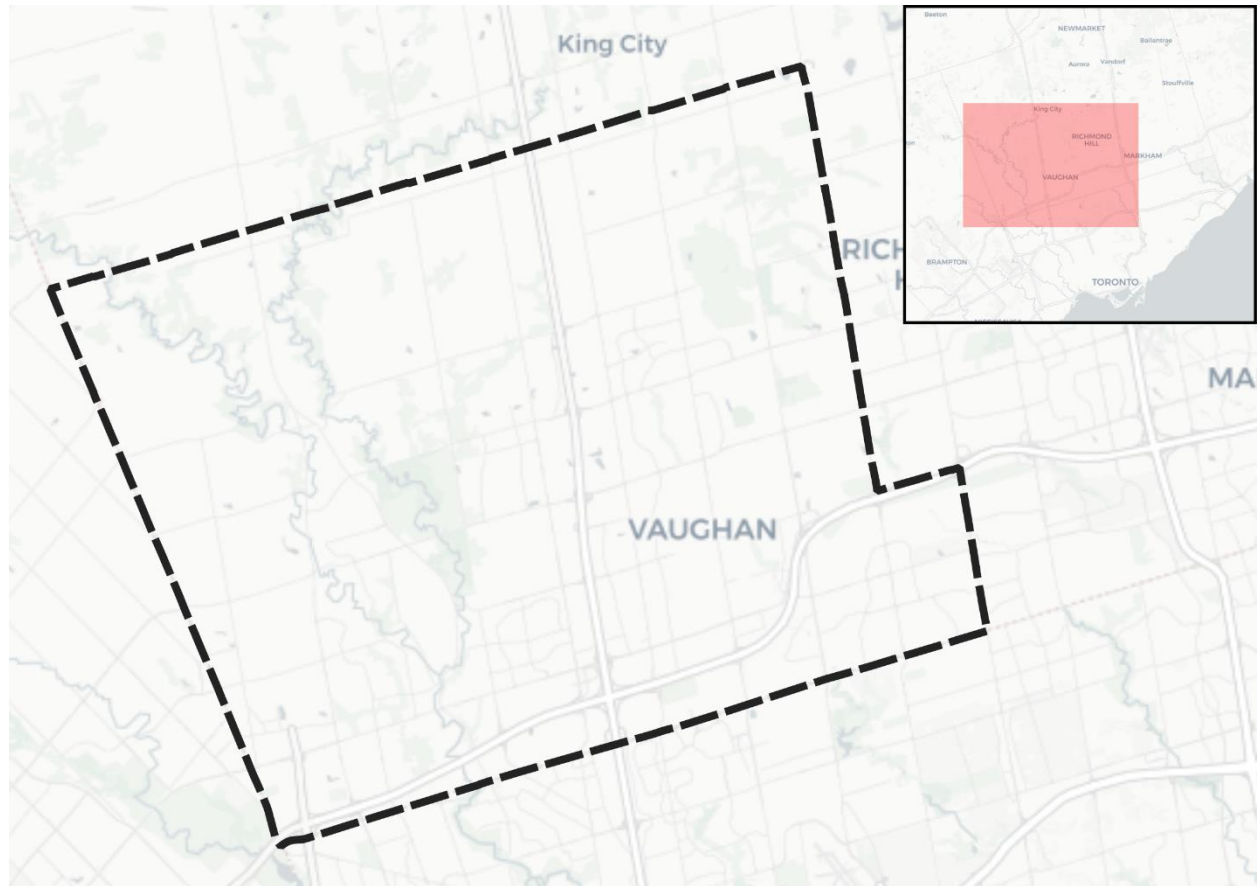
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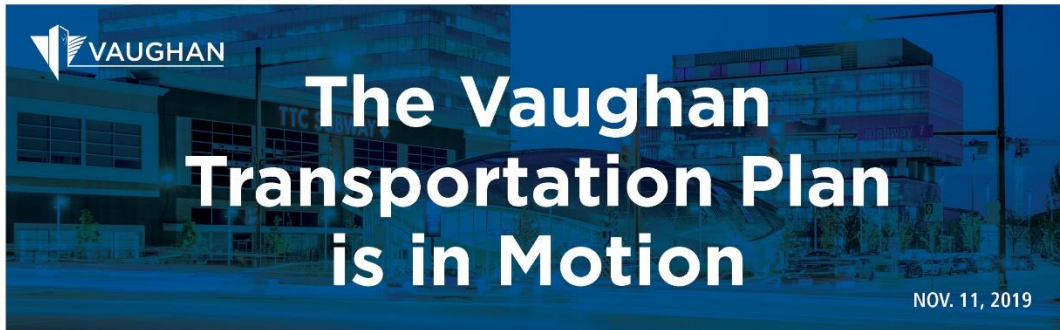
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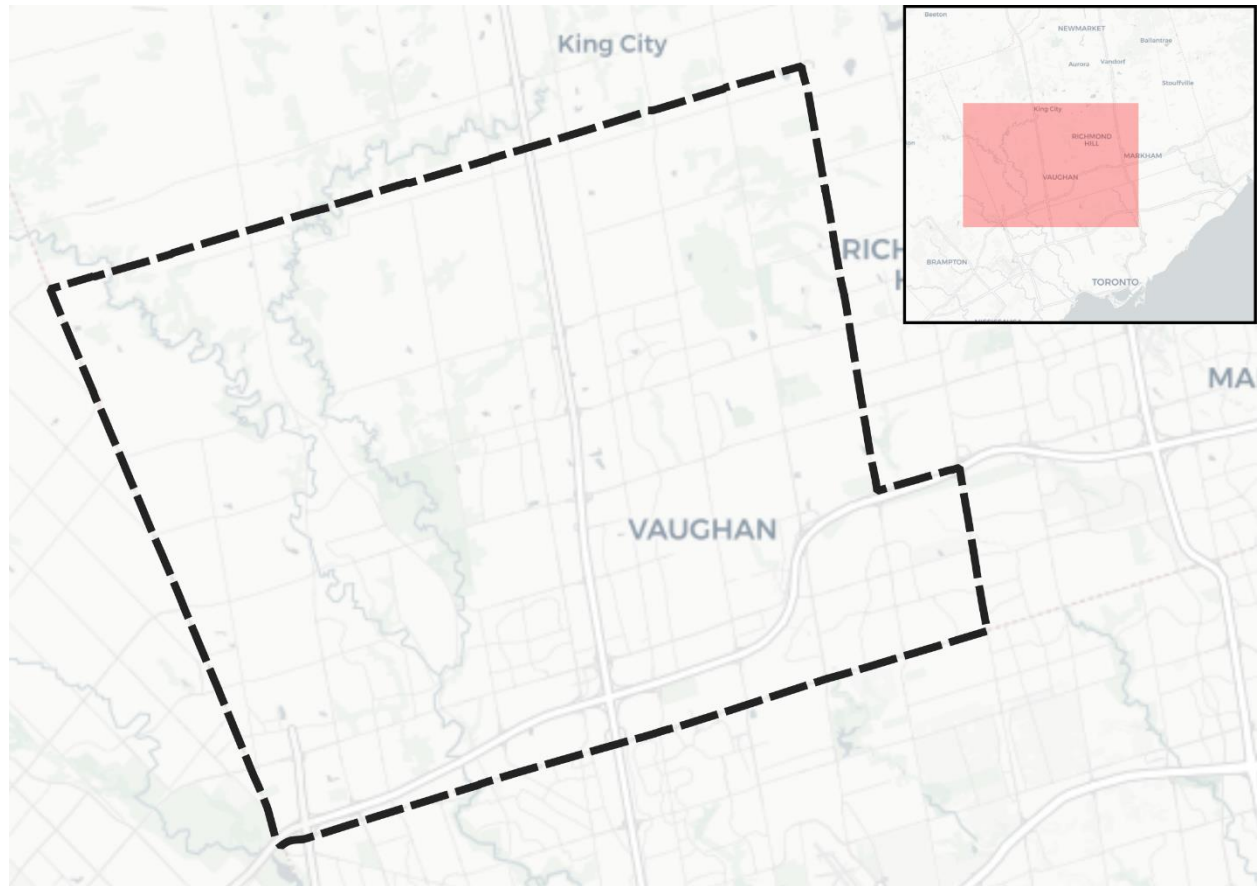
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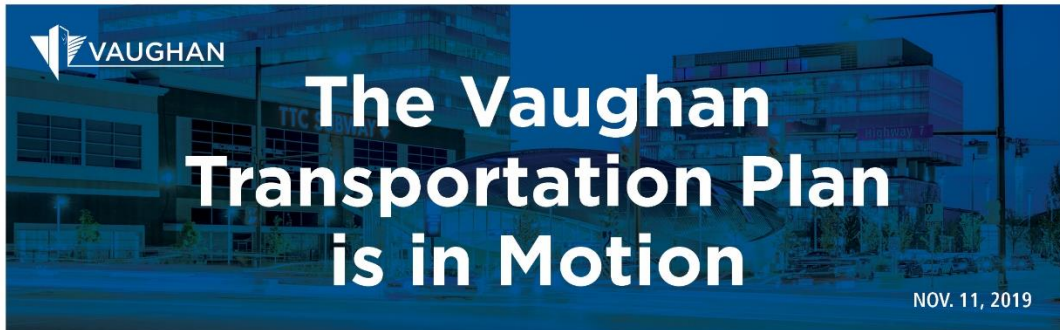
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File No.: EA 01-06-05

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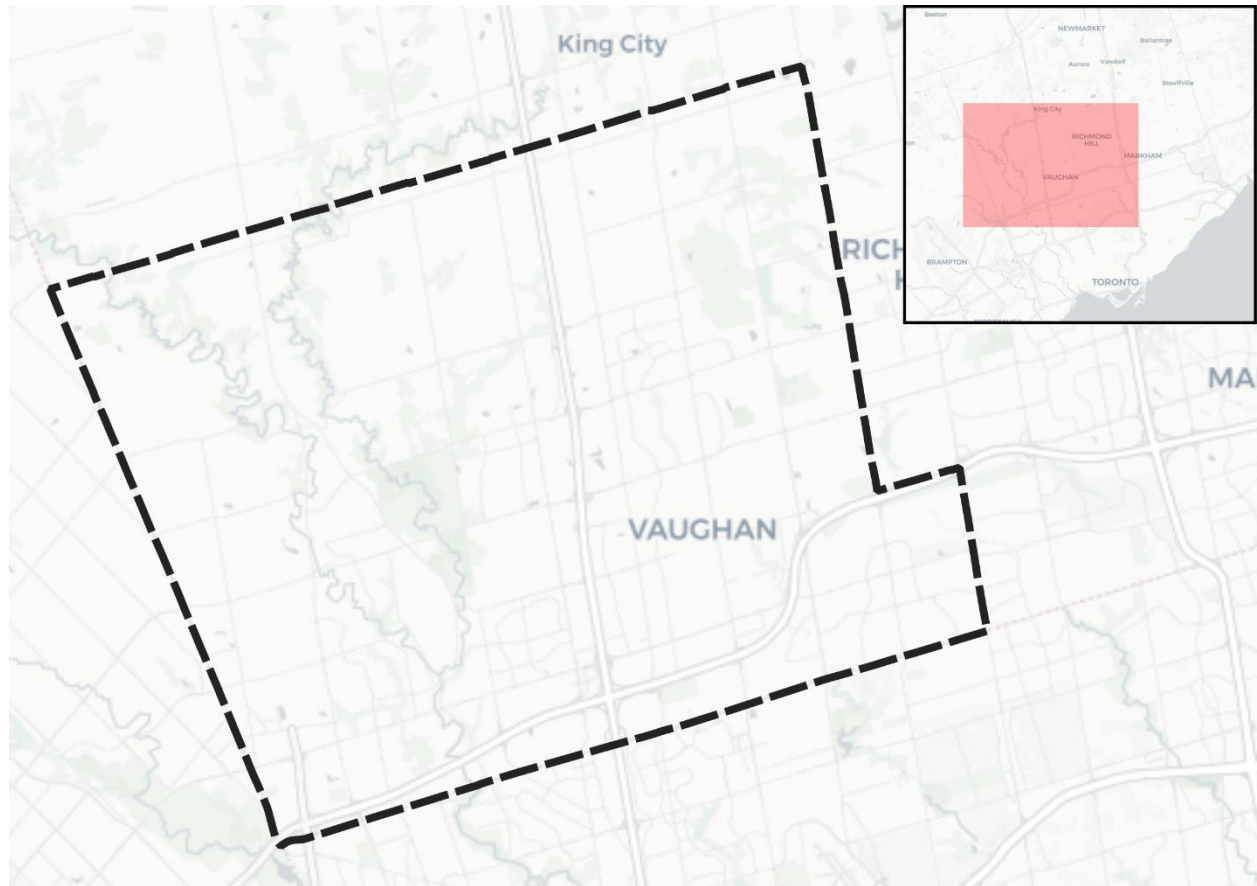
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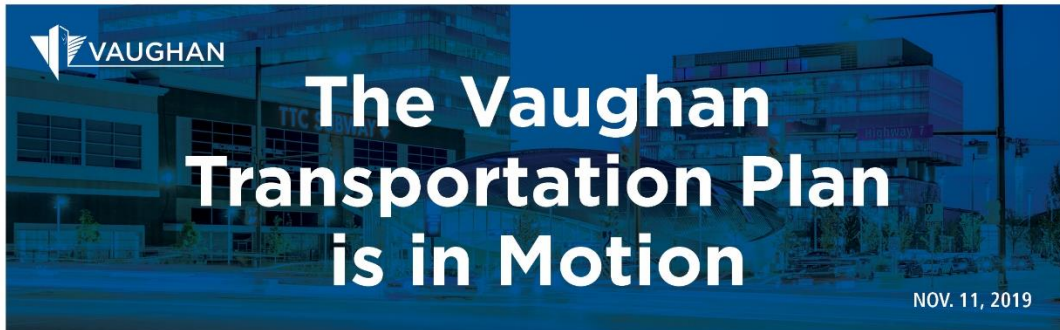
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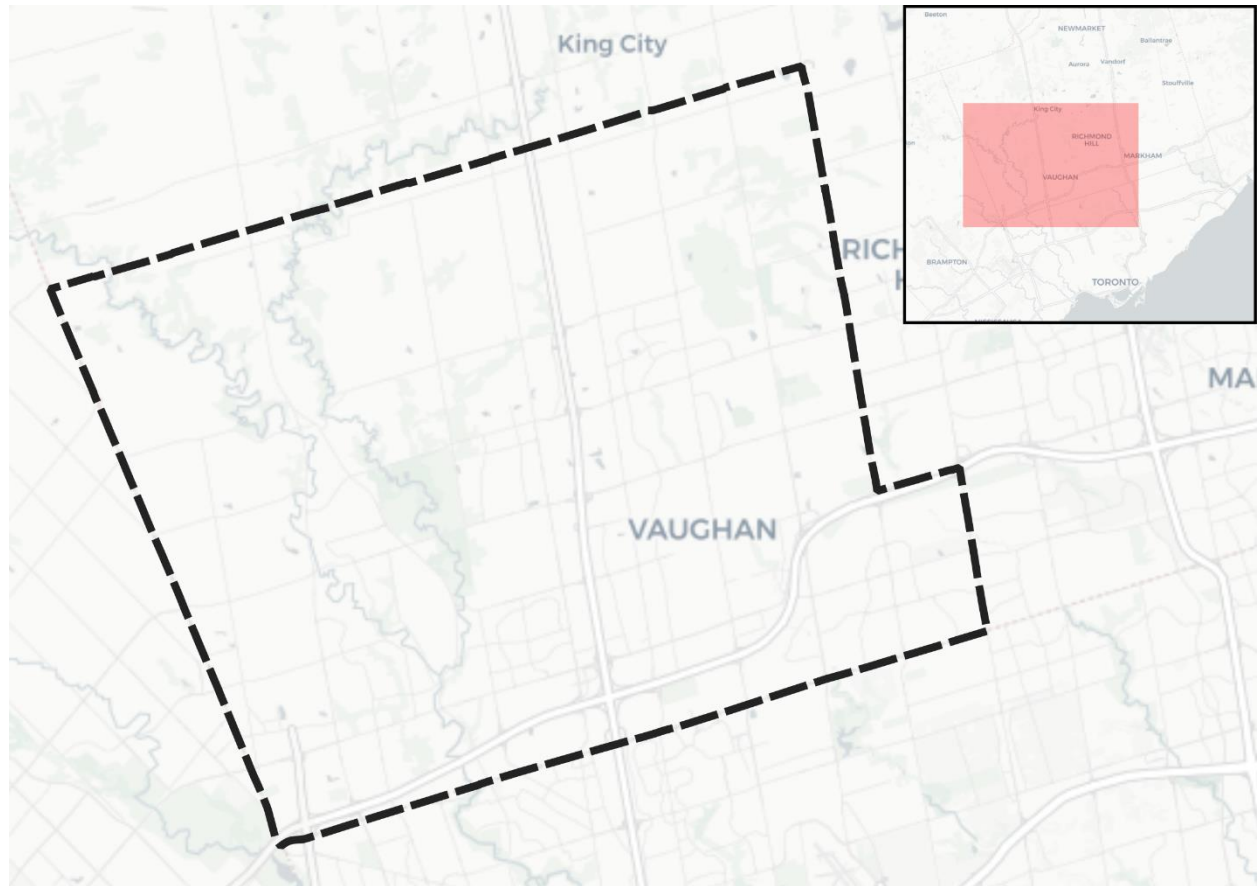
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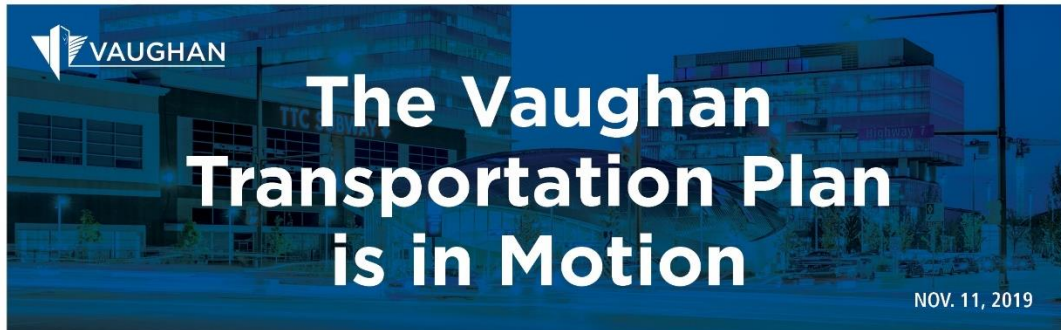
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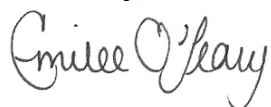
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Chen, Peter

From: Christopher Tam <Christopher.Tam@vaughan.ca>
Sent: Monday, March 2, 2020 8:30 AM
To: Transportation Plan; Papaioannou, Elli-Maria
Subject: FW: Vaughan Transportation Plan - Notice of Commencement - Huron-Wendat Nation

FYI, for records.

From: Maxime Picard <maxime.picard@cnhw.qc.ca>
Sent: March-02-20 8:28 AM
To: Tam, Christopher <Christopher.Tam@vaughan.ca>
Subject: [External] RE: Vaughan Transportation Plan - Notice of Commencement - Huron-Wendat Nation

Thanks for clarifying Chris.

Please keep us updated on next steps.

Regards,
Maxime



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À : 'Maxime Picard'; melanievincent21@yahoo.ca; Tina.Durand@cnhw.qc.ca; sonia.laine@cnhw.qc.ca

Cc : Hubjer, Selma; Gan, Tyrone; Chai, Jonathan; Papaioannou, Elli-Maria; cumming1@total.net; Transportation Plan

Objet : RE: Vaughan Transportation Plan - Notice of Commencement - Huron-Wendat Nation

Hello Maxime,

Thank you for reaching out. We will not be undertaking any archaeological studies for the Vaughan Transportation Plan. Potential infrastructure will be identified at a high-level only. Further investigation of the impacts, and identification of mitigation measures, will be conducted as part of required environmental assessment and/or other municipal infrastructure approval processes that will come at a later date. These additional approval processes will have their own consultation requirements, including further consultation with the Huron-Wendat Nation and other First Nations.

If you would like to discuss in greater detail or have other questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Regards,

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From: Maxime Picard <maxime.picard@cnhw.qc.ca>

Sent: February-28-20 9:06 AM

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Transportation Plan <TransportationPlan@vaughan.ca>

Subject: [External] RE: Vaughan Transportation Plan - Notice of Commencement - Huron-Wendat Nation

Good morning Christopher,

First of all let me thank you for your letter addressed to Grand Chief Sioui on the Vaughan Transportation Plan Project. The Huron-Wendat Nation is pleased to be part of this important initiative for the City of Vaughan.

Could you please let us know if you plan to conduct any archaeological studies as part of the Transportation Plan ?

Thanks and best regards,

Maxime Picard



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February 26, 2020

Chief Kelly LaRocca (BY EMAIL ONLY)
Mississaugas of Scugog Island

Re: **Vaughan Transportation Plan
Municipal Class EA – Master Plan**

Dear Chief LaRocca,

The City of Vaughan (City) is updating the 2012 Vaughan Transportation Master Plan and creating a new Vaughan Transportation Plan (VTP). The City has retained HDR to complete this new Transportation Plan in accordance with the Municipal Engineers Association's Municipal Class Environmental Assessment process (MCEA, October 2000, as amended in 2007, 2011 and 2015), Phases I and II. The VTP is a strategic transportation City-wide study that will identify growth and intensification needs for the next 20 years. The study area covers the entire City of Vaughan as identified on the map provided as Attachment 1. The VTP was initiated in June 2019 with a formal Notice of Commencement released in November 2019 which has been provided as Attachment 2. The study is scheduled to be completed in early-to-mid 2022.

The VTP will identify potential infrastructure projects and evaluate these using multi-faceted criteria, including environmental sustainability and climate change resilience, among others, in order to determine a preferred list of projects. Potential impacts to the natural and cultural environments including archaeological will be documented through a desktop review only. This preferred list will be carried forward to future steps such as detailed environmental studies, design and construction. Further investigation of the impacts, and identification of mitigation measures, will be conducted as part of required environmental assessment and/or other municipal infrastructure approval processes that will come at a later date. Therefore, we do not anticipate any environmental or archaeological impacts at this time.

Part of the MCEA process is to receive information and feedback from members of the public, residents, stakeholders and our Indigenous Communities with an interest in Vaughan. Therefore, we have attached the Province's letter dated December 10, 2019 delegating the Duty to Consult to the City. As such, we hope to understand if your community has an interest in this project. We are happy to discuss this project with you further. Please contact Christopher Tam, Transportation Project Manager, or Selma Hubjer, Manager of Transportation Planning for more information. Christopher can be contacted at Christopher.Tam@vaughan.ca or at 905-832-8585 ext. 8702 and Selma can be contacted at Selma.Hubjer@vaughan.ca or at 905-832-8585 ext. 8674.

Regards,

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Vince Musacchio
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cc: Monica Sanford, Community Consultation Administrative Assistant, Mississaugas of Scugog Island
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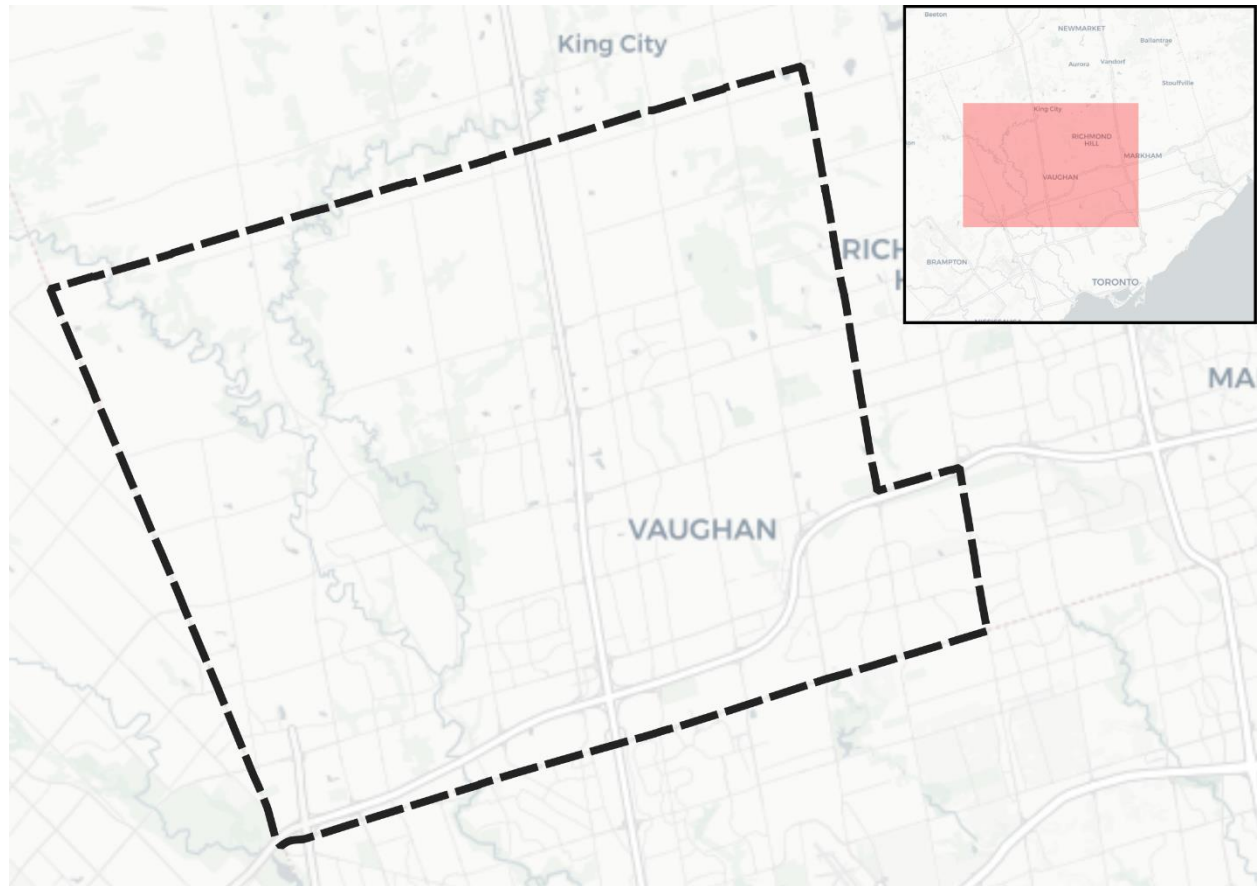
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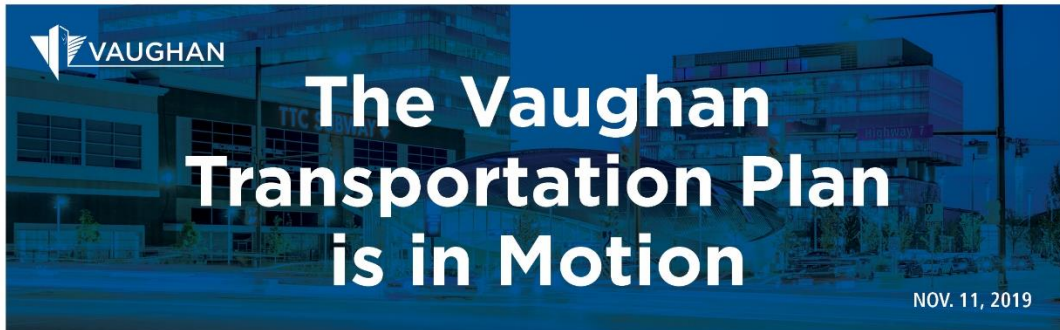
Notice of Commencement

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Attachment 2: Notice of Commencement



Notice of Study Commencement

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JOIN THE MOVEMENT!

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We want to inspire minds and transform the way people think about their transportation choices. Several opportunities to provide input will be offered, including an online survey and pop-ups coming to an event near you. For more information and to receive updates about the Vaughan Transportation Plan, visit vaughan.ca/TransportationPlan or send an email to TransportationPlan@vaughan.ca to be added to our mailing list.

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File No.: EA 01-06-05

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Dear Mr. Tam,

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