



York Catholic District School Board

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Regional Chair and Members of Council
c/o Denis Kelly, Regional Clerk
Regional Municipality of York
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June 22, 2016

Re: Proposed Amendment (OPA 137) to Whitchurch-Stouffville Official Plan

Dear Mr. Chair and Members of Council

On June 16 2016, the Region's Committee of the Whole passed a number of motions regarding OPA 137, including a motion to defer land uses for 12762, 12724 and 12822 Tenth Line. The York Catholic District School Board does not support the deferral of these lands, as it will result in the approval of the balance of OPA 137, in the absence of a Catholic Elementary School Site to serve the population generated by new development.

The Catholic Elementary site currently identified in the OPA 137 is required to accommodate students generated by this planned development. The deferral of this portion of the plan leaves the school board without a provision for an elementary school site.

The Planning for OPA 137 has been underway for several years. The school sites have consistently been identified and available as a subject of discussion.

Local council adopted the plan on April 15, 2014, which was revised on February 16, 2016 to address the Region's comments. To defer a portion of the plan, due to an objection by a local land owner regarding the location of a public service facility, at this point in the process jeopardizes the ability of the school board to accommodate students generated by this development.

The York Catholic District School Board requests that the OPA137 land use designations as identified in the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville Council adopted Official Plan Amendment be supported by the Region.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Pechkovsky".

Tom Pechkovsky,
Manager, Planning Services

CC: Carol Cotton, YCDSB Chair of the Board
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