

To: Mayor & Council Municipality of Clarington

C/O Clarington Municipal Clerk

November 17, 2020

RE: Motion to Amend Resolution C#-418-20.

I am one of the more than 200 landowners who reside inside the area defined in the above Resolution.

Attached please find well over 100 petitions signed by residents of these same lands, the lands South of Highway 2 between Hwy 418 and Maple Grove Road.

On behalf of these residents, I request you add each of these petitions to the agenda for the November 23 Clarington Council Meeting.

These petitions support of the Councillors Neal/Jones Motion to Amendment Resolution #C-418-20.

I understand this motion will be listed on the November 23, 2020 agenda.

Such amendment reads as follows:

“That the Province commit to reviewing the lands south of Highway 2 between Hwy 418 and Maple Grove for inclusion in the Greenbelt based on their contributions to the systems of agriculture, natural heritage and water resources.”

And

That the Minister of Municipal Affairs and housing be advised of:

- (i) The foregoing deletion;
- (ii) That the letter dated October 27, 2020 which was forwarded to the minister regarding Resolution C-418-20 is withdrawn and rescinded: and
- (iii) A replacement letter be sent advising the Minister of Resolution C-418-20, but not containing the language in the foregoing paragraph requesting the Province to review the said lands for inclusion in the Greenbelt.

Thank you.

Martha Vandepol

Landowner in Area Referenced



This Petition is Addressed to: The Clerk & Mayor & Council of the Municipality of Clarington. Please add this Petition to the Clarington Council Meeting agenda for of November 23,2020.

I, _____ hereby petition Clarington Council to:
(print name)

- Amend Resolution # C-418-20 removing any reference to Clarington Council request to expand the Greenbelt to include my property, and the 2,000 acres described in Resolution # C-418-20.
- Recall any letter(s) or communications Mayor Foster sent to Minister of Municipal Affairs requesting a review of the lands located south of Highway 2 between Hwy 418 and Maple Grove Road for consideration to be included within the Greenbelt.

I am one of more than 200 individuals who collectively own property within the 2,000 acres of land described in Resolution # C-418-20.

Clarington Council has petitioned the Province of Ontario to expand the boundaries of the Greenbelt to beyond the 81% with the objective to include an additional 2,000 acres - described above.

Clarington Council did not notify or consult me prior to petitioning the Province on this matter.

Clarington Council acted contrary to Clarington Corporate Policy F11 – Transparency and Accountability.

Policy F11 states: **The purpose of this Policy is to detail the guiding principles for Municipal service delivery with Section 270 of the Municipal Act.**

Corporate Policy F11 states: **“Transparency includes the principle that the Municipality of Clarington actively encourages and fosters stakeholder participation, clarity and openness in the decision-making processes.”**

Clarington Council failed to act according to Corporate policy F11. **Expanding the Greenbelt to include an additional 2,000 acres of future Urban and Employment Lands is a very important matter.** Important matters such as these require stakeholder participation in the decision-making process.

Clarington Council provided no notification and no opportunity for myself and the 200+ other stakeholders directly affected by the decision to invite the Province of Ontario to expand the Greenbelt onto their property.

The purpose of the Greenbelt Act is to protect “prime agricultural lands” from expansion of urban lands.

In June 2018, the Municipality of Clarington received Provincial approval of the Clarington Official Plan. Within that Official Plan the 2,000 acres in question are designated “Rural”, “Environmental Protection” and “Hamlet”. None of the 2,000 acres in question are designated “Prime Agricultural Area”.

I respectfully request Clarington Council consider this Petition. Do the right thing and act accordingly. Reconsider Resolution C #418-20

(date)

Contact information (optional)