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RE: Regular Meeting of Council Agenda (April 19, 2022; 1pm Council Meeting)

- 1. Recommendation Report from the Integrity Commissioner – Code of Conduct Complaint Against Councillor Stolte (CL-16-22).** **Feedback Comment:** The concern here is not so much regarding the relatively minor breach by Councillor Stolte, but the allegations and formal complaints made by Councillors Nisan and Galbraith, which more than likely also included the support of the Mayor. The fact that these complainers were incapable of managing the issue in a more effective, appropriate, professional, and accountable manner, demonstrates the inherent dysfunction within the council chambers. The added fact that there was a lag in time between the breach, the complaint, the report and recommendations as concluded by the Integrity Commissioner, all while City business was being conducted by this group of councillors relating to the Robert Bateman school surplus and the City's intent on acquiring the school site, creates an even greater cause for concern and an elevated justification for Integrity and Code of Conduct scrutiny. In particular against the two complaining councillors, who seem to be challenged by the concepts of transparency and accountability. In effect, these two councillors together with the guidance of the mayor, have attempted to persuade the independent voice of Councillor Stolte through an act of censorship, which is also a mild form of a type of bully tactic; at the expense of good governance, transparency and accountability. Full stop. The Integrity Commissioner therefore, should continue with an analysis as to how this joint complaint affected the business decision making surrounding the acquisition of a significant real property asset. There is definitely a case to be made for an abuse of authority and misrepresentation. In addition to the lack of confidence generated by these select councillors and mayor clearly not conducting business in a transparent and accountable manner, the wide array of costs, including the cost of the Integrity Commissioner, and all other adverse impacts associated with this type of disrespectful and wanton behaviour requires an accounting. For a price tag estimated to be in excess of tens of millions of dollars at the heart of this file, and a potential attempt at a coverup, there are also solid grounds for an enhanced investigation into the conduct of Nisan, Galbraith, and the mayor.
- 2. Motion regarding GTA West Corridor (Highway 413) (ADM-07-22).** **Feedback Comment:** The majority of the wording in the Motion is not supported by factual data, is inaccurate, is grossly misleading, and is over politicized, by a councillor who is ill equipped to bring forth effective motions regarding these types of issues. This motion should be ignored.

Thank you very much for allowing me to submit my feedback comments on a couple of very important matters being addressed at the April 19, 2022 Council Meeting.

Yours very truly,

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