Dear Chair Williams,

Please accept this letter as my resignation from the Brampton Community Safety Advisory Committee.

I have appreciated the opportunity to work towards the objectives set out for the committee with such a passionate group of residents especially the Youth and Education subcommittee. I would also like to recognize the dedicated and exceptional staff who regularly support the committee and who have done their best to keep us on target and to help us understand the interconnectedness between the work of community safety and other projects and initiatives.

Despite the passion of committee members too often conversations are dominated by minute matters and we have experienced extension beyond the original topics and scope of work set for ourselves this term. There are a number of issues and concerns in our community that need to be addressed but it is difficult to address them all in one go, which makes the process inefficient and potentially less effective.

I believe our community would be better served by an independent process or mechanism by which service and program providers, representatives from government agencies and members of the community come together driven by collective impact in an integrated planning collaborative, as is done in some other communities. This would allow for the delivery of positive outcomes for residents by providing the timely services and referrals needed to address the concerns of the community in a less formal setting.

So I am taking the opportunity afforded by the recruiting exercise to step back and offer my place on the committee to another member of the community who may wish to engage in the current process.

I wish the committee best of luck.

Alana Del Greco