

April 21, 2022

City Council
The City of Brampton
2 Wellington St W,
Brampton, ON L6Y 4R2

Dear Mayor Brown and Members of Council,

We would like to thank you for considering our request to delegate in-camera at yesterday's City of Brampton Council meeting. While we are disappointed that we did not receive the required support to proceed with an in-camera delegation at that time we would like to provide additional context on the nature of our request and clarity around the factors that led to the motion at Council.

As you are aware, we have been actively working with City staff on this file since we received unanimous Council support to undertake this work in June 2021. We remain excited about this unique opportunity and, working in collaboration with City staff, we have been prepared to delegate to Council since mid-March 2022. When we learned that the UofGH item would be brought forward at the April 27th Committee of Council Meeting, recognizing that we both had other obligations, our teams worked closely with City staff to explore the possibility of an unusual and innovative solution — to delegate the week before that meeting. We proposed this approach so that when City staff advance their information, members of Council will have had the benefit of already hearing from the Presidents of University of Guelph and Humber College directly about our plans for UofGH in Brampton. Given the recent holiday, we appreciate that our proposed solution may have caused some confusion as it was a last-minute addition to the Council agenda. Our intention was not to cause challenges, or avoid established processes, but rather we wanted to demonstrate our deep commitment to advancing the possible relocation of UofGH to Brampton. Because this item is scheduled to move forward next week, in our absence, we have submitted a request for Daniel Atlin, Vice President of External Affairs (University of Guelph), Kelly Jackson, Vice President of External Affairs and Professional Learning (Humber College) and Rani Dhaliwal, Executive Lead, University of Guelph-Humber Brampton Partnership (University of Guelph) to delegate in-person during the public session of the upcoming April 27th Committee of Council meeting.

Finally, we wanted to address the concern from some members of Council about our request to present in-camera over a public delegation. The request for an in-camera delegation reflects an earlier direction we received from City staff and the City Solicitor around the Non-Disclosure Agreement in place to govern our work on this file. We are committed to openness and transparency with members of Council on our requested support, we have had discussions with City staff and now understand that we will be able to speak to these items in the public session.

We hope this communication offers further clarity and we look forward to working with City staff and members of Council to find best path forward on UofGH's possible relocation to Brampton. We and members of our team remain available to meet with you at any point to share additional details and answer any of your questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charlotte Yates".

Charlotte Yates
President and Vice-Chancellor

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Whitaker".

Chris Whitaker
President and CEO