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Further to the email below, I wish to thank Councillor Palleschi's office for acknowledging receipt of my email below.

I see from an article penned by **Alexandra Heck in The Brampton Guardian of June 30th** that a decision has not been made with regard to the replace of the former Councillor Williams position now that she has officially been elected MPP in the recent provincial elections.

I stand with Mayor Brown, Paul Vicente, Rowena Santos, Harkirat Singh and Michael Palleschi that this position should not have been declared prior to the provincial elections' outcome. Further, as my email noted below, the process should be transparent, and that former councillor should have been canvassed to gauge their interest in the position and proper procedures developed to fill the position. Toronto was faced with the same issue and have dealt with it in a more transparent manner.

I suggest the same for Brampton.

Please note that others in the community share my opinion, so this should not be looked upon as City Council matters only, but one in which the wider Brampton community is watching very closely. Transparency, diversity and inclusion are watchwords that Council should take very seriously in its deliberations.

Sincerely,

Marjorie Taylor
2015 Brampton Citizen of the Year

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It was brought to my attention this past Saturday that Council approved a motion to appoint retired Councillor Elaine Moore to fill the now vacant position of Councillor Williams until the conclusion of the Municipal Elections in October.

I have also now read the below article (see link below) and agree that this action would be **unprecedented** and does not, in my opinion, pass the "**transparency lens**".

<https://www.insauga.com/brampton-city-council-votes-to-appoint-new-councillor-before-old-one-quits/>

If an appointment is to be made (rather than a by-election due to shortness of time between now and the upcoming provincial elections), then **all** retired/past councillors should be informed and their interest in applying for the position sought. In this way, there might be some reasonable competition and a vote could then be taken by council members. I also believe that the residents of Brampton should be made aware of this process and proposed action, **It is**

important that an unbiased and transparent process be developed and executed for any filling of this vacancy.

Respectfully sharing my opinion as a resident of this City of Brampton.

Marjorie Taylor