



Mohamed Lachemi  
President and Vice-Chancellor

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Dear Mayor Brown and City Councillors:

Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) is very pleased to be working with the City of Brampton to bring a new medical school to the region. Our joint commitment to creating an innovative, community-based medical school dedicated to serving local needs will mean significant improvements to healthcare in the city and region -- and a substantial, positive impact on the local economy.

I am writing to you today to share our concerns about the troubling statements being made by the Brampton Public Library with regard to the Civic Centre site.

At TMU, when it comes to partnerships, we believe strongly in respecting the integrity of the process. In this particular instance, we want to be transparent about the agreement made with the city concerning tenant relations and relocations from the Civic Centre. As you know, the city made it clear that it would take responsibility for appropriately informing and relocating tenants, including the library. While we are aware that the city has worked hard to find alternate accommodation for all of those tenants, and in some cases finding multiple options, the library continues to misrepresent the nature of the agreement and the responsibilities therein.

TMU will continue to respect this process, however, we have serious concerns about being unjustly misrepresented by City of Brampton agencies like the library. We ask that you continue to work to find new places for the Civic Centre tenants and that, to avoid misinformation and damage to the university's reputation, the city clarifies that, as per our agreement, this responsibility belongs to the council and not the university.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mohamed Lachemi".

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