

From: Rob Spence  
Sent: Friday, February 4, 2022 1:28 PM  
To: Clerks Richmondhill [clerks@richmondhill.ca](mailto:clerks@richmondhill.ca)  
Subject: Agenda Addition for Upcoming Council Meeting

We are writing in support of the upcoming motion from Councillor Chan to reverse the council's previous decision and in fact allow online voting for our municipal elections. This is a process that is being used successfully in jurisdictions all around the world and needs to be adopted permanently here in Richmond Hill. The benefits are significant and include:

- a) increasing voter turnout from every part of our society ( working persons, youth, people with mobility problems etc)
- b) making the process simpler, faster and more accurate
- c) lowering the overall cost of elections

While the recent increase in voter participation to 32% was encouraging, Richmond Hill has a long way to go yet; this is one step that will help.

Thank you

Rob & Gaye Spence

67 Lund Street,

Richmond Hill, Ontario

L4C9V7