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Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2022 4:07 PMTo: Clerks@vaughan.caSubject: [External] 80 Glen Shields Ave.- File OP.21.030, File Z.21.058

Dear Mayor, Members of Council,

I am a 20+ year resident and a homeowner in the Glen Shields Community. I strongly oppose the proposal of the above Amendments, as it will put undue strain on infrastructure, ruin the local ecosystem, and significantly reduce the current resident quality of life,

1. Car traffic on Glen Shields, especially during rush hour, takes a long time to exit onto the main road. Adding a large influx of residents to the subdivision further exacerbates this problem for the community.

Glen Shields, has just over 8000 residents, located at the northwest corner of Dufferin and Steeles, all funneling to a one-lane road to exit onto Dufferin St. It's well known how terrible the traffic is on Dufferin St. south of Center in rush hours. The backup traffic from Dufferin often brings about standstills on Glen Shields Ave, regularly adding 30+ minutes to just turn left, and making it impossible to get out at times. The proposed 7 to 9- story residential building situated in the middle of Glen Shields Ave. close to the southern end, will likely add another 1000 people to the existing residents who already are struggling in their daily commuting through this route.

2. The existing weak sewage system will be further strained, increasing the risk of flooding, and other damaging effects to the ecosystem.

This single-family housing neighbourhood built 40 years ago has many lowlands and the West Don River surround it. In the rainy season, the surrounding parks are frequently submerged under water, sometimes water goes to our basements with separate entrances! My house at Cherry Hills Road was flooded in the basement in August of 2005 after a few hours of heavy pours. The dramatic increase in population brought by the proposal will undoubtedly overload the existing weak sewage system, making our worst nightmares be realities!

3. This development will deteriorate our environment and our quality of life.

High rise will deprive residents of privacy, sunlight of the adjacent houses, and making streets crowded and noisy parking lots; Over-crowded schools will raise up more portables in school yard and in parks; Removal of essential businesses such as Pharmacy, Convenient story, Doctor's/ Dentist's offices, Hairdressing, many of which have been here for decades, will have severe adverse impact on the community, especially on our seniors.

In summary, this proposal if approved will severely jeopardize the safety and the quality of life of the existing community!

Sincerely,

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