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COMMUNICATION
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CW (2) - Report No. 36, Item 7

Brownridge Ratepayers Association
CW – 20 September 2022
Item # 7 - Z 21.028 – The Sorbara Property - 1,150 Centre St. – Thornhill

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To the Mayor & Member of Council

I intend to speak on item #7 – The Sorbara application.

Since it is #7 & cannot be certain at what time I can speak on the item, plus there could be potential technical issues with deputations, I am sending this letter to put on record the position of the Brownridge Ratepayers Association.

We disagree with the recommendation presented by staff.

We ask that Committee of the Whole defer the item to the 1st meeting of the new Council so that the people elected by the people will be able to evaluate the issues raised by the 6 correspondence received by the City & the 10 people that took petitions and/or expressed interest to speak on the item.

This item will be at the Tribunal, for a pre-hearing on the 5 December 2022. The Hearing will be 1 May 2023. Therefore, there will be time to allow the new Council to supply direction.

Our issues are not the density nor the height, because that has already been decided by the Tribunal/Board, but the exceptions that are been asked to the City's existing by-laws.

The proponent has gone against what this Council & prior Councils have done & that is to have at least a meeting with the community, prior to going to Council. That is what was said, the last time, by more than one Council member, but it did not happen. We, the residents, have had NO meeting with the property owner. None of the ratepayers has been contacted by the proponent.

The behaviour of the proponent is unacceptable & Council should make it clear with a motion to defer a decision to the new Council that will be taking over on the 15 November 2022.

If that is unacceptable to the majority of M of C, then a motion refusing any request to eliminate or reduce the existing by-laws should be approved.

In Thornhill we have been more than reasonable. Look the Promenade Mall area; The Di Sera area; The Steeles & Bathurst area & more.

Enough is enough.

Sincerely,
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