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Subject: RE: [External] Proposed Plan for Colossus Drive
Date: December-06-22 2:53:18 PM
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Hi Dr.Hamid,

Thank you for your email and support. It has been brought to my attention there has been an error in the mailing distribution of the December 6th, Notice of Public Hearing for the RioCan Application. As a result, **tonight's Public Hearing for RioCan will be rescheduled to a later date** to ensure that the greatest number of residents have the opportunity to voice their concerns regarding this development. I apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused you, however I felt it necessary to take this action to allow an increased representation for Ward 3 residents. A communication will be sent out once a new date for the Public Hearing has been confirmed. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office in the interim. In the meantime, your communication will be added to the new agenda and presented at the new public hearing date.

Thank you,
Rosanna

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From: Hamid Badiei [REDACTED]
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To: Rosanna DeFrancesca <Rosanna.DeFrancesca@vaughan.ca>
Subject: [External] Proposed Plan for Colossus Drive

Dear Councillor DeFrancesca,

I am writing to you, my elected councillor that I voted for, to express my deepest concern on a proposal to convert the area around Colossus Dr. to a high-rise colony of multi-story buildings ranging from 22 to 55 storeys and one even with 68 storeys.

As a resident of 15 years in this area, I am opposing this plan and urge you to consider the following while representing our community during the upcoming hearing on Dec. 6, 2022.

1. **Traffic and road infrastructure:** The proposed plan has grossly overlooked the burden such development will put in this area (Weston-HW7) and the exponential increase in density and access this plan will impose in this already congested section of our community. I am sure you are aware of the traffic jam issues in this intersection. This plan essentially does not consider the impact on traffic and disregards the community's right to basic needs for a planned road infrastructure. For those in the community who have to endure longer traffic lights with lost time and lower quality of life, what would be the response by this plan?
2. **Loss of existing businesses and amenities:** This particular area is considered the shopping centre for many in our community with stores and restaurants that are part of our economy. Many of the residents and businesses rely on the proximity of such businesses. Eliminating them and replacing them with yet more residential high-rises without any foresight on the impact of such a plan on the community's needs does not seem to be a concern for the developers of such a plan. How does the city plan to replace the lost businesses and loss of employment that ensues? One should also ask how those who ultimately would be residents of such high-rises would have their needs met for shopping, schools, doctors and other everyday needs for families. This is already being felt by the residents of the recent high-rises along Highway 7.
3. **Environmental impact to the area:** The environmental impact of such a master plan needs to be carefully assessed. The impact is not just increased air pollution in the area partly due to extended time cars will spend in this area. It is reasonable to assume that noise pollution will inevitably increase as a result of congested traffic and much higher population density. Is this what we envision for our beloved Woodbridge.

Councillor, please be our voice and object to this reckless plan as drafted. You are our representative in the city hall. We empowered you to protect our interest when stakes are high with our vote. This is a time to demonstrate just that. I certainly welcome any opportunity to discuss this via phone if you are available.

Thank you,

Dr. Hamid Badiei

