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Subject: [External] EAST KLEINBURG DEVELOPMENTS INC., 1045501 ONTARIO LIMITED AND TOYA INVESTMENTS LIMITED (PHASE 3) ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT FILE Z.22.031 DRAFT PLAN OF SUBDIVISION FILE 19T-22V008 - 11063 AND 11191 HIGHWAY 27 VICINITY OF HIGHWAY 27 AND KIRBY ROAD
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Dear Clerk,

I am writing to let you know that I say NO to a high school in Kleinburg on Hwy 27 north of Islington Ave.

Residents were NOT given sufficient, infact were not given any notice at all that this was a proposal. There is confusion as to the exact location - since a notice was not provided to local residents. Why was a notice not mailed to residents? Why are we not invited to a town meeting for residents to express their thoughts or concerns? WHY are the residents, voters and taxpayers (including catholic school supporters) not included in this decision?

I **strongly disapprove** of the proposal to build a high school on the east side of Highway 27 north of Islington Ave on the lands on and around Copper Creek Golf Club for the following reasons:

1) The school board should consider building a high school in an area **that will serve the most students**. AND that will not require the majority of students being bussed to the school. Given the population of Nobleton and New Kleinburg it makes sense to build a school further north and west to accommodate those residents. There is significant vacant land along Highway 27 and Kirby Rd that can be used for this purpose.

2) The school board **already owns a secondary school site at Rutherford Road** and Islington Avenue. This site has been known to residents for many years and we have been waiting for a school to be built to serve residents in the area. Instead, students have had to be bused much further to attend catholic schools for 15+ years.

3) The school board **already has a site designated at Pine Valley Drive** and Teston Road which makes sense due to the new and ongoing building that is happening. Those residents will benefit from having a school close to where their school age children live. Plus, there will be shops/food located close by in the retail plaza being built in that area.

In addition, why not search for land off of Nashville where the new subdivision is built - New Kleinburg - (ie. on the other former golf course that was destroyed)? **Those homes need a high school more than the Boulevard Neighbourhood.**

4) The neighbourhoods to the south (all the way to Major Mackenzie), and south west **are well established and will not benefit from having a high school** in the area. They needed a high school 10 years ago - and were waiting anxiously for the Rutherford/Islington location to deliver what was desperately needed. This new proposal just does not make economic sense. Do not use taxpayer money to build a school that will not serve local taxpayers/residents.

5) The residents of "On the Boulevard" are aware of the proposals from developers to destroy the Copper Creek Golf Course and build high density

residential including a condo building. We have strongly opposed this proposal for the last several years. Marilyn Iafrate and Vaughan Council are aware of our opposition and concerns. While we have attended meetings at the town pre-COVID - **We have not been updated on this proposal for over 2 years** - - - We are now wondering how the YCSDB would obtain land in that area and why this is the very first we are hearing about this development application AND **why were we not given an opportunity to consider the proposal?** Why was this done without taxpayers knowledge?

6) There will be **increased traffic** on a single lane road (Hwy 27) - buses, cars, pedestrians and so on.

7) **No infrastructure** (shops/food) for students - so where will they "hang out" --- our neighbourhood? We are already experiencing a significant increase in burglaries, and car thefts and have received no support from local governments.

Warm regards,

Tina Di Vito