

Feb. 6, 2023

Good evening Mayor Del Duca, Councillors and City Staff,

My name is Rosina D'Alimonte and I reside at [REDACTED] Hawman Ave., in Woodbridge.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak to you tonight.

I would like to talk about my concerns with regard to traffic along the HWY #7 Corridor, specifically between Martingrove Rd and Wigwoss Dr. This stretch of the corridor has topographical limitations, specifically it has hills, dangerous bends in the road, the CP Rail bridge and most importantly the narrowing of HWY #7 from four lanes to two lanes from Bruce St. to Woodstream Blvd. The new Vaughan Transit Plan could not accommodate a centre lane for buses due to the narrowing in the road. Due to the physical features of this area, currently there is traffic gridlock from morning to night. This constant gridlock already creates unsafe conditions for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers. It also prevents emergency vehicles from responding to calls in due time.

I would also like you to consider appropriate entrances and exits for any new developments. In my opinion, it is not appropriate to build a road bringing traffic from a Regional Road such as HWY #7 onto a residential dead end street.

It is important to have the infrastructure in place prior to building the developments.

As much as the city would like to see residents purchase fewer cars and use public transportation, the reality is that most residents, both old and new, own at least one vehicle.

Now imagine the sharp increase in the number of vehicles using this corridor.

What is likely to happen with the increase of vehicles, pedestrians and cyclist all trying to share and navigate this stretch of HWY #7 with all its topographical limitations?.

Currently, those of us who live along this corridor, feel very anxious and frustrated. Imagine the increase in anxiety and stress during the construction of these developments and forever after.

Once the projects are completed, the developers will move on to their next projects and the residents are left with negative ramifications. I am asking that you consider making a comprehensive plan, rather than approving developments in isolation and consider the topographical limitations of this stretch of this corridor.

During the past 15 years, my neighbours and I have given deputations, written emails, made telephone calls, met with some of you in person, signed petitions and completed surveys expressing our opinions and concerns. For the most part we feel our voices have been ignored. In fact, we have been accused of being NIMBYS and privileged homeowners. Meanwhile our concerns are legitimate, sound and well researched.

I ask you tonight before you make decisions about the developments before you, that you take responsibility, do your due diligence and truly engage the affected community members in order to promote safe and sustainable growth on HWY #7.

Thank you for listening.



PROPOSED 12 STOREY CONDO : IDEAL REPRESENTATIONS
WOODBRIDGE, ONTARIO

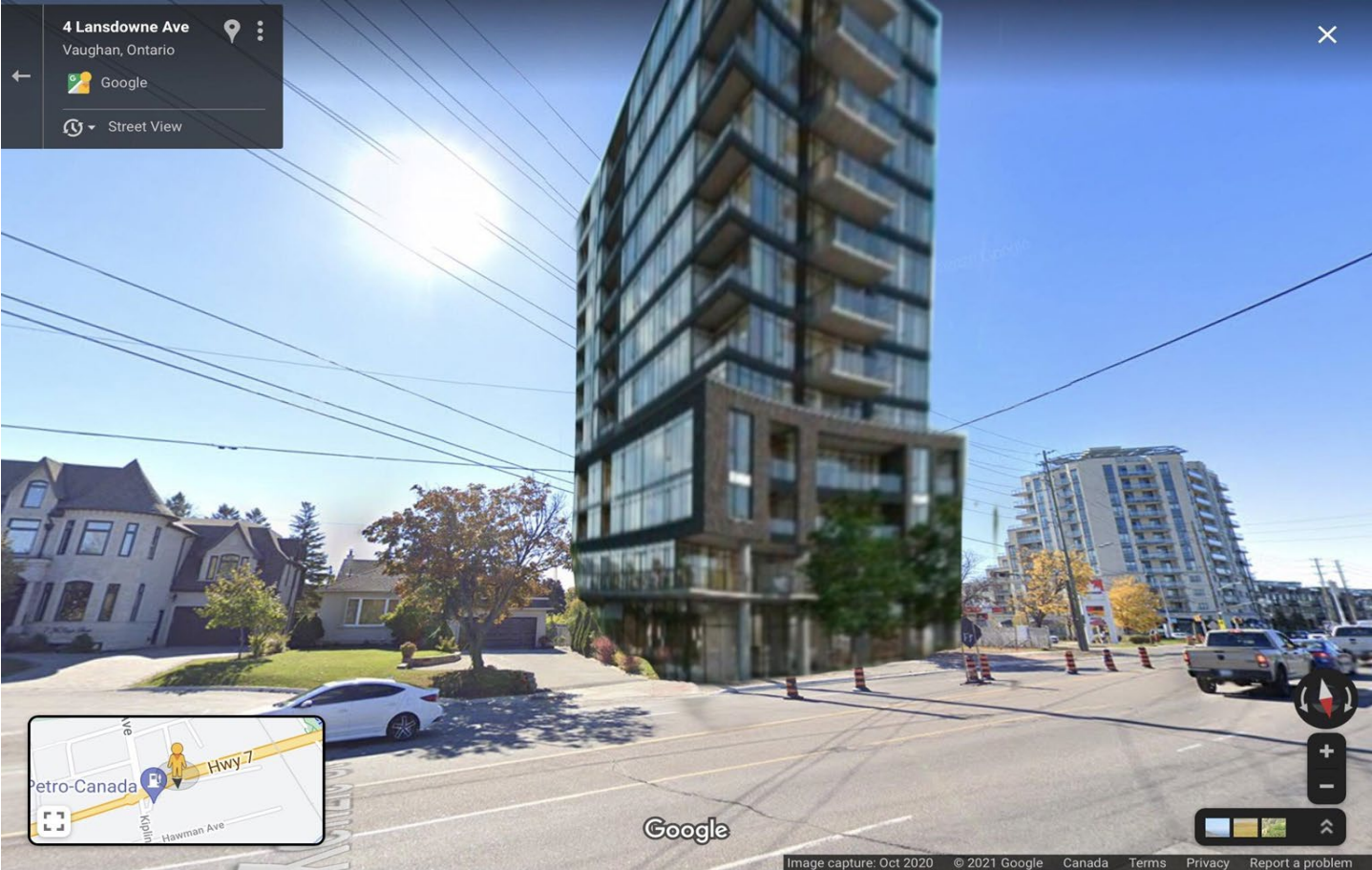




PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT - Ideal Situation No Traffic!

High Rise
Development
Next to
Bungalow

Would you like
the building
next to your
home?



**Lansdowne
&
HWY #7**



HWY# 7 : EAST SIDE OF KIPLING





BE PREPARED
TO STOP



**KIPLING AVE & HWY #7:
INTERSECTION**





HWY # 7: West Side

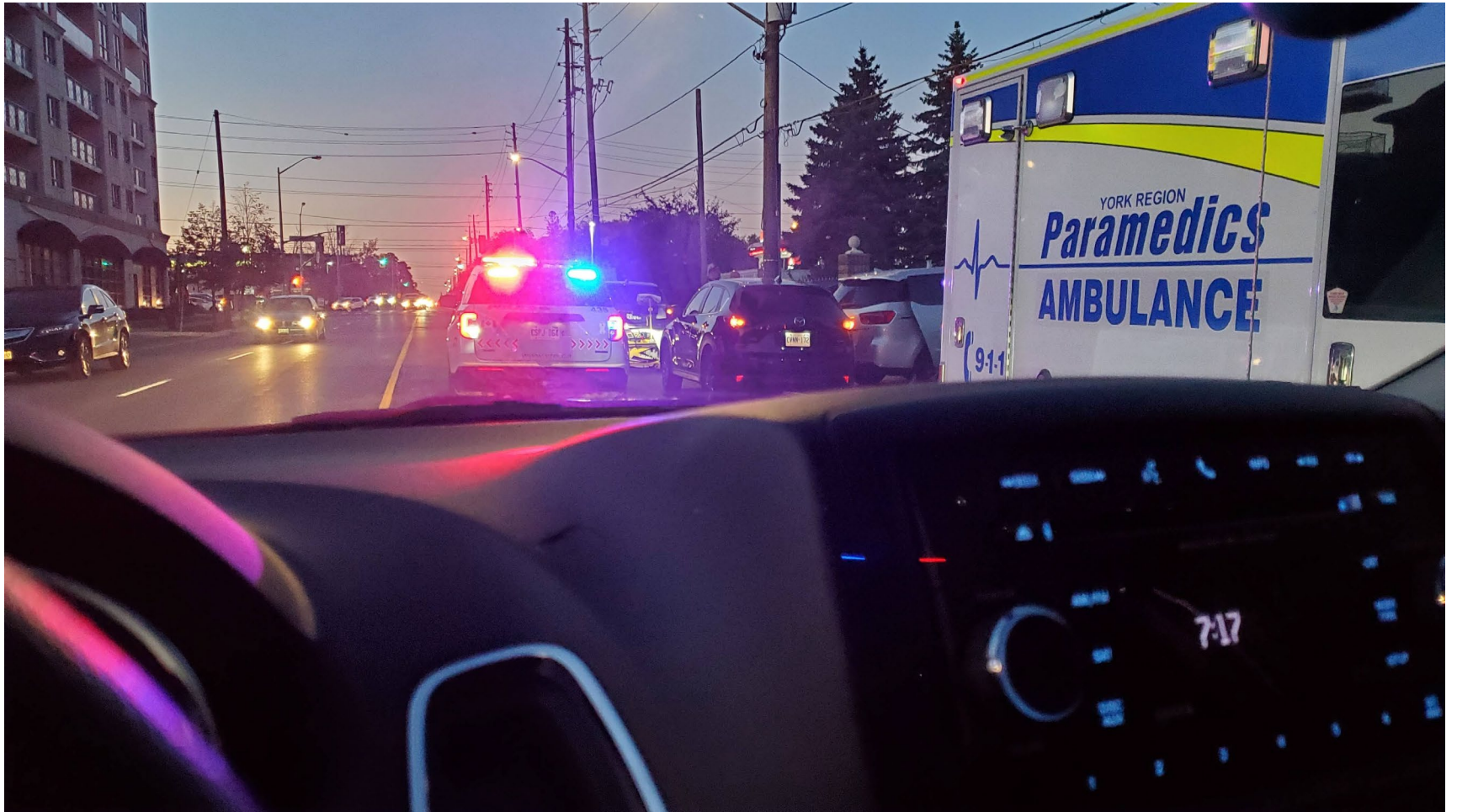




KIPLING AVE.







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**HAWMAN AVE:
Parking Close to the
Intersection**













**ISLINGTON AVE
&
Hwy #7:
Westbound**









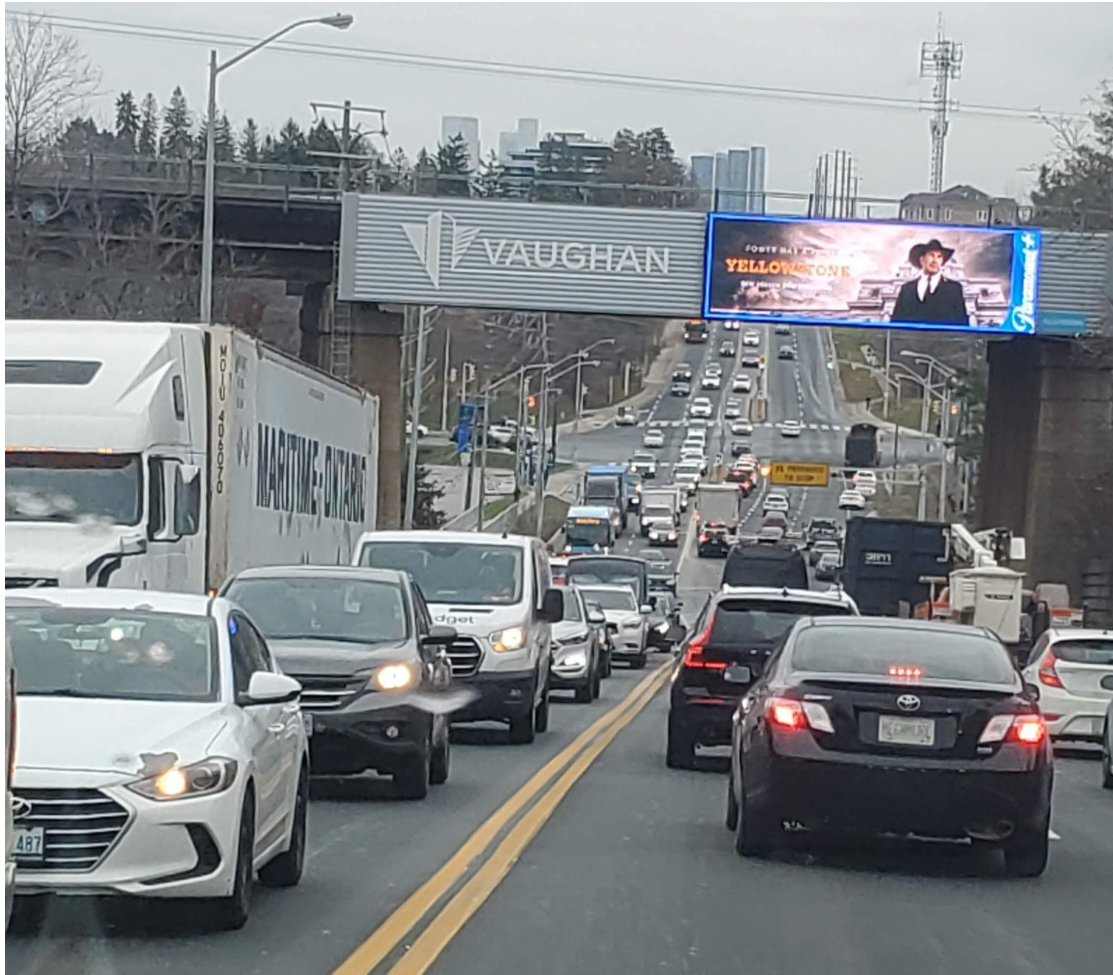
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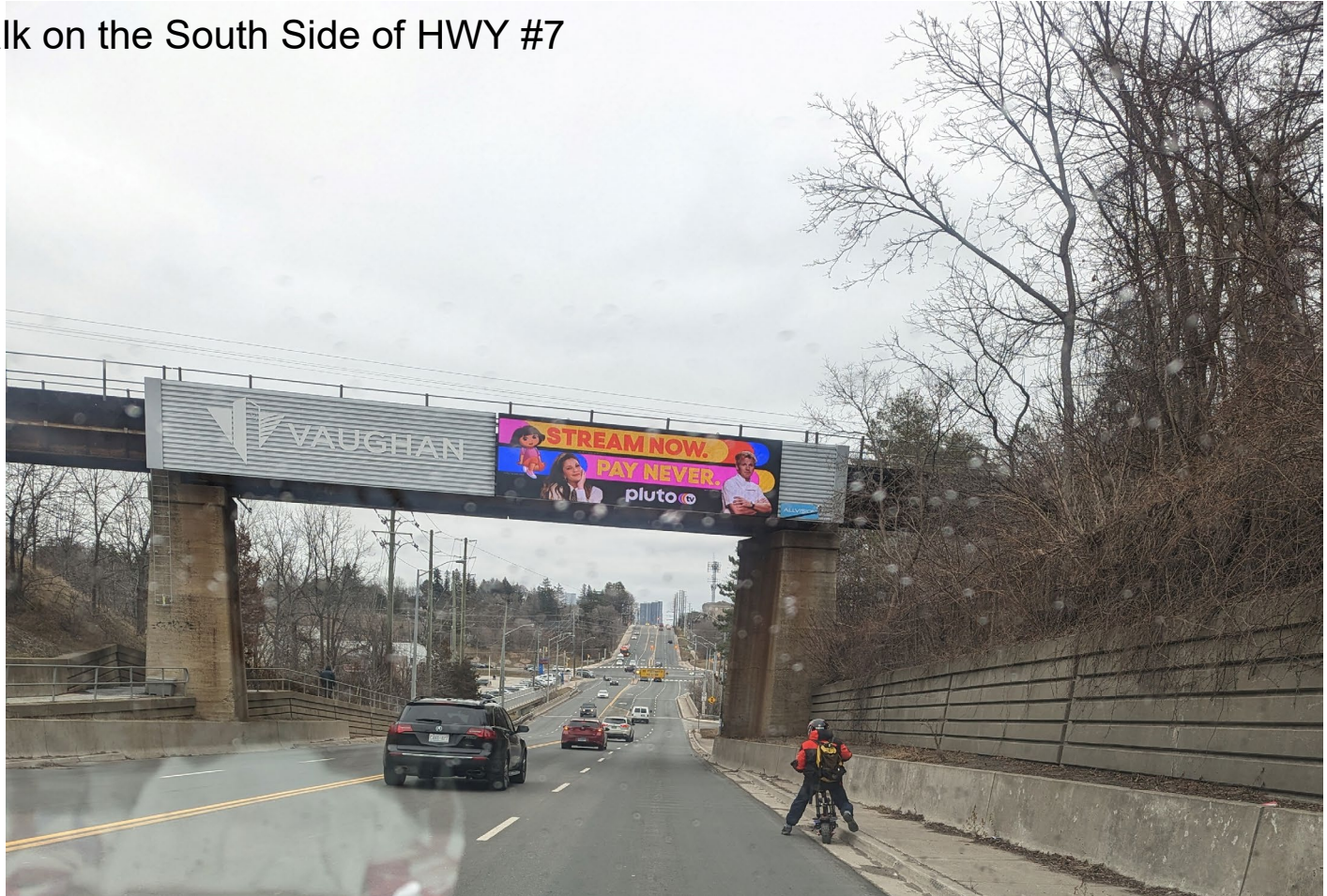








No Sidewalk on the South Side of HWY #7





**A few concerned members of South Kipling Residents' Associations
(seniors, disabled & children)!**