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From: Gaspare Di Salvo < Sent: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 1:22 PM

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I am writing to oppose the apartment/condo building proposal on the North East corner of Wigwoss and Hwy 7.

The proposal is a ridiculous example of how developers are pouncing on the smallest area of land to construct a 12 story mammoth building over the maximum number of stories allowed as per the 2010 OP of Vaughan which restricts development beyond 6 stories and confined dimensions of the site. This is all driven by profit and greed and shamefully hypocritical that the City is even entertaining such applications and proposed amendments.

The area is already too congested with traffic and buildings, and this proposal would only add to the traffic and vehicle pollution nightmare in the area. Moreover, the exit and entrance to this apartment would be off a secondary street off Wigwoss which is not capable of handling this high density of people and traffic. This giant building has no place in this residential neighborhood consisting mainly of detached homes.

The proposal is to build on a few plots of land where there are/were a few homes. So essentially, in the same area that helds a few families, perhaps 10 people, a giant building would house thousands of people. The infrastructure of sewers, parking, police, firefighters, garbage collection, schools, utilities and recreational green space is simply not there. It's also no secret that the more people are crammed together the more the possibilities of conflict, crime, unsanitary conditions and disease — This is the opposite of social distancing. Further, the area is known to be ancient grounds for indigenous peoples which should be protected. No archaeological study and environmental studies have been conducted.

The proposed building is also so large that it is DOUBLE the current maximum allowed and will cast a shadow on the area and it blocks the views of the homes nearby in addition to congestion the streets with overflow of parking. We need a green space instead so we can relax and enjoy in our recreational time.

We do not want this monstrosity in our neighborhood. When I purchased my home in Woodbridge I did so because I enjoyed the comforts of a clean, relaxed and non-congested city. All these recent developments have happened too fast and too much and I'm reconsidering whether I even want to continue living in Vaughan if this continues.

These developers only care about their profits so they come into our neighborhoods, spit out giant buildings that cause problems and then leave and go onto to the next project without care. This is not only unacceptable but its disgusting.

We need to stop this development and set a precedent otherwise we'll just be opening the floodgates for other developers to jump at any opportunity to squeeze in anything to take advantage of our community. The recent exorbitant prices of these tiny condo and apartment units don't make them affordable as they would have us believe - it only maximizes their profits and this is not what our City should be based on.

Regards,

Gaspare Di Salvo