

**Communication: C29
Committee of the Whole (PM)**

May 2, 2023

Item #1

From: Clerks@vaughan.ca
To: [Jacquelyn Gillis](mailto:Jacquelyn.Gillis)
Subject: FW: [External] Comments for Public Meeting- May 2, 2023 -Planning Application for Nashville Major Developments Inc. Block 226
Date: Monday, May 1, 2023 9:27:19 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: Carolyn Smith <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Sunday, April 30, 2023 9:32 PM
To: Clerks@vaughan.ca; Gina Ciampa <Gina.Ciampa@vaughan.ca>; marilyn.lafraite@vaughan.ca; Marisa Provenzano <Marisa.Provenzano@vaughan.ca>
Subject: [External] Comments for Public Meeting- May 2, 2023 -Planning Application for Nashville Major Developments Inc. Block 226

Good afternoon city clerk (and Marilyn),

Thank you for sending a notice as to the updates involved with the zoning application for file Z.22.027, (the plaza for the New Kleinburg community).

I am in support of the plaza, however, I do have some concerns/comments that I am requesting to be considered during the Public Meeting scheduled on Tuesday, May 2, 2023.

1) I am very concerned about only one full (all-way) entrance into the plaza located at Barons/Hopewell. This concerns me because I am a resident on Hopewell Street, and this may lead to a large increase in vehicles using our street to access the plaza.

This may be the case since it appears that traffic coming west along Mactier (which turns into Moody Deice) cannot turn left into the plaza from Moody.

I am requesting clarification if traffic will be able to turn left into the plaza when travelling west on Moody drive. If they are not able to do this, this needs to be changed to support the safety of the residents on Hopewell street.

A redesign of this section of the plaza, to make Dunedin Ave line up with the Moody Plaza entrance may be beneficial. (For pedestrians as well as residents of our community that need to access the plaza).

2) I would like confirmation that a 4-way stop will be installed at Hopewell and Barons Street at the full site entrance.

As a resident of Hopewell Street, it is currently incredibly dangerous to cross Barons Street (4+ lanes of traffic) as a pedestrian. The plaza will attract more traffic and there needs to be a 4-way stop with pedestrian crossing marks to support green methods/ways to travel to the plaza and support walkability to the store for neighboring residents.

I believe I also saw plans for a bus stop in this area of Barons, thus it would be even more important to protect the safety of those that would take a bus to work in the plaza, etc.

Not only would this increase safety for pedestrians, it would increase the safety for vehicles/EMS that need to exit the community by turning left onto Barons Street from Hopewell Street. Currently, it is incredibly challenging and stressful to turn left onto Barons from Hopewell Street during peak times of the day.

3) I am requesting pedestrians markings on the road and signs to be installed ASAP at the 4 way stop at Barons Street and Moody Drive. As a resident of Hopewell Street, it is terrifying to cross at this intersection for a number of reasons. Our community needs to learn how to share this intersection with pedestrians and unfortunately there isn't anything to protect the safety of a pedestrian at this intersection. It is extremely important that these changes are

made well before the plaza comes so drivers get used to it, as there will be an increase of pedestrians at this intersection who want to access the plaza.

It's also important to note that students from Pope Francis will be accessing this plaza at lunch time. Which means they will be travelling south down Barons and Dunedin Drive. For their safety pedestrian markings are needed at all three locations/intersections (Moody/Barons, Barons/Hopewell, and Dunedin Drive/Moody-in line with the plaza entrance on MoodyDrive). This is another reason why realigning the plaza entrance to Dunedin Ave may be beneficial and support the safety of our children accessing the plaza by foot from Pope Francis.

4) What is the developer and city doing to prevent speeding within and outside the plaza? As a resident of Hopewell Street, speed is currently a great concern as impatient traffic cuts through our street to access Mactier drive.

Speed is a huge problem along Barons (cars leaving and coming into our community). A 4 way stop at Hopewell and Barons would help this issue, however, additional measure will be needed as there will be much more traffic accessing our community to use the plaza. Please let me know what is being proposed to address this issue.

5) What will the developer and city do to prevent crime and protect the safety of the residents located near the plaza? Has there been any consultations with York Regional police on incorporating designs using crime prevention through environmental design?

I wish to be notified of the council's decision and responses to my comments.

Thank you and I hope this is helpful!

-Carolyn