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Communication : C 4 Committee of the Whole (1) October 3, 2023 Agenda Item # 7

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Subject: FW: [External] Re: Opposition to the "Reducing Barriers To More Affordable Housing

Options" Member Resolution

Hello,

Please add this to communication regarding the Mayor's MR prior to Council.

Thanks.

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Subject: [External] Re: Opposition to the "Reducing Barriers To More Affordable Housing Options"

Member Resolution Importance: High

On behalf of Brownridge Ratepayers' Association,

We oppose the proposed member's resolution by the Mayor at this time.

Currently there are many applications that have already been approved with plenty of houses for builders to build but the reason why they are not moving forward is because of the current interest rate. Even if the homes are built, very few taxpayers can afford them. When we make decisions, it needs to fit across the City.

So by suggesting that, to promote sustainability by permitting "as of right" building for up to 4 residential units on a property is unreasonable. Bill 23 already created a new threshold of permitting 3 units and now the Mayor wants to add another one. How does that help?

Taxpayers I spoke with do not want to see potentially 4 buildings cramped next to their home. The construction activities will destroy the peace and tranquillity that homeowners have paid for and expect to enjoy.

Has this proposed resolution been thought through and discussed with ratepayers, experts, etc. Has anyone thought about the impact this may have, from water and sewage capacity to parking to traffic? This item needs more discussion and meeting with taxpayers to hear their position on the matter prior to coming to a decision.

We cannot just move forward without any consultation with the people

I respectfully ask that this item be deferred until such meetings have taken place. A wiser decision will be made.

Respectfully yours,

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