## **Assunta Ferrante**

ITEM NO. 4

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (PUBLIC MEETING)

COMMUNICATION C268

March 1, 2022

From: Rosanna DeFrancesca

Sent: Saturday, February 26, 2022 10:03 AM

To: Tasha Cortese

Cc: DevelopmentPlanning@vaughan.ca; Clerks@vaughan.ca; Nancy Tamburini; Ward 3 Support Staff

Subject: Re: [External] Fwd: Opposition Letter to the Proposed High Rise Buildings

Hi Tasha,

Thank you for your email. I agree with all your comments. I will NOT be supporting this development in its current form. I am forwarding your concerns to our city planners for their consideration.

Sincerely, Rosanna

Sent from my iPad

On Feb 26, 2022, at 7:14 AM, Tasha Cortese

wrote:

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Tasha Cortese

**Date:** February 24, 2022 at 5:09:49 PM EST

To: Rosanna DeFrancesca < Rosanna. DeFrancesca@vaughan.ca>

Cc:

Subject: Opposition Letter to the Proposed High Rise Buildings

Dear Council Members and Honourable Mayor Bevilacqua,

As a resident of Ward 3 and health care worker at Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital, I would like to express my opposition to the proposed high rise buildings at Weston Rd and Major Mackenzie Drive.

The density for which these buildings have proposed will be detrimental to the health and safety of current residents of this area.

Pedestrian traffic would of course increase exponentially and with the lack of safe crossings and sidewalks, I foresee many traffic related pedestrian accidents. This in turn puts pressure on our already crippling healthcare system. We simply cannot afford to risk our community members safety.

The buildings will also greatly impact our ecosystems and natural surroundings. Wild life have already invaded residential neighbourhoods: my own backyard has had skunks, raccoons, fox and rabbits. These buildings will result in further reduction in green space

and natural environments where these animals would flourish. Instead we should focus on how to incorporate more green space on these empty lands.

These buildings will destroy our infrastructure that already fall short in keeping up with the growing community. We do not have proper public transit; our schools are maxed out; our roads are not large enough to maintain this volume of traffic. This project CANNOT happen.

I urge you to consider these factors in your vote and make the right decision in preserving the best health for our community.

Thank you for your time.

Concerned citizen,

Tasha Cortese