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From:
To: Carol Birch

Subject: [External] Rejection to the 8940 Bathurst Street development plan

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Dear Ms Birch,

The purpose of writing this letter to your attention is to express my concerns regarding the development plan submitted by 8940 Bathurst Street Limited under the Files OP.21.024 and Z.21.048

I am the resident of Thornwill Woods neighborhood and I have been living here for 9 years. This is a neighborhood with young families. There are already 3 primary schools and they are running at full capacity. I don't feel the facilities (especially the school, the park, the community center) would have the capacity to offer equitable service to the ever increasing population in this high density neighborhood.

Secondly, I have very much concerns on the traffic and safety of the kids in this neighborhood. As we all know, the development along Bathurst St has made Bathurst St very congested during rush hour. Lots of people taking short cut by taking the small street inside the neighborhood during rush hour. This would bring disturbance to the residents and even cause more noise and road accidents. Based on the statistics, this area is already marked as a high road risk area with car insurance going up at a higher rate compare with other area. The situation would get even worse if the neighborhood become more condensed with such development plan. (In addistion, there is another proposal from Tridel at 8905 Bathurst for the high rise condominium ,which would bring more traffic along Bathurst. There is another development plan for Jaffari at 9000 Bathurst, which will make the neighborhood even more crowded). As a mom with young kids, I am really concerned about the safety of our kids when those high density development plan was proposed in our Thornhill woods neighborhood to Vaughan city.

In my personal view, the development plan proposed by 8940 Bathurst Street Limited to build two mid-rise residential buildings, 10 stories and 12 stories high on such a small piece of land and within the already high density neighborhood is totally unproper and not acceptable. City development should not sacrifice the local residents' health and safety. Thanks for your time and hope you will take my concerns in your ruling.

Sincerely,

Chen Zhang