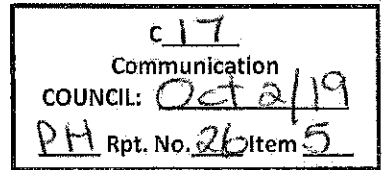


Subject: Regarding Proposed Condo at 4101 Rutherford Rd.



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Re: Applications OP.19.003 and Z.19.008

To City of Vaughan Council of the Whole, Vaughan Development Department, and City Clerk.

I am writing to you in regards to the proposed application for the condo at 4101 Rutherford Road. I furthermore request that this letter be entered into council minutes. I currently reside alongside my husband, two children, and in-laws at [REDACTED] Velmar Dr. which is directly across the proposed site. In my opinion, the first few homes across the address have the greatest amount of justifiable concerns. We have been residents and taxpayers of Vaughan for 17 years and specifically moved from Brampton to enjoy this city. I hope that our concerns be noted and taken seriously as this affects us the most.

The application is for a "7 storey condominium", my first concern is what exactly is meant by 7 storey? What is the exact height of the building? Anything above what is already there (the one storey plaza) will cause an invasion of privacy. Our home specifically is a two storey home, with bedroom windows facing Velmar, understand that any building directly across with multiple occupants would be able to peer into our windows. We will no longer be able to pull up our blinds, hence getting no natural light, This is detrimental to one's mental and physical well-being.

Another issue with a multiple storey building would be blockage of natural sunlight during certain parts of the day. My in-laws work hard and enjoy their garden during the summer months. They have a "special spot" in the backyard in which they sit down in the evenings just to enjoy the beautiful sun for the few months out of the year that they actually can. With the building being built not only will my in-laws not be able to enjoy the sun in the backyard but all of our neighbors beside and behind us as well.

Another major concern has to do with traffic as you have probably heard about from numerous other residences in the Weston Downs area. Since our home is the corner lot and very first home on Velmar there are 3 major issues already we are dealing with when it comes to the traffic. First, when trying to exit our driveway in the morning between the hours of 7:30 am-9:00 am it is very difficult to back out and get into any

of the lanes to get out onto Rutherford. Once we do finally get out we get caught with a red light, hence taking approximately 5 or more minutes just to get out of our driveway. The proposed condominium states there will be well over 250 parking spots, that is at least at minimum 200 cars added to that already tight corner. Second, between the hours of 4:00 pm-7:00 pm is a complete disaster. It is so incredibly hard to turn into any of the homes on Velmar, our home being the worse as it is the first home off of Rutherford. There is not a day I do not come home after work and not get honked at or told off just for turning into my home. Furthermore, it is very and I mean very rare that anyone leaves the front of our driveway clear. I get extreme anxiety turning in either direction as I worry about getting hit from the back or side. Once again I point out that the proposed building would add at least another 200 if not more vehicles adding to the already chaos of traffic. This is a complete nightmare of an idea for all Weston Downs Residences.

I would like to also convey my concerns about what will happen if this proposal gets passed and construction begins. This project would take over a year if not more to complete. During this time heavy equipment, noise, and overall dust and dirt will affect all areas surrounding the site. Being next to a park safety of small children is a huge concern. We are also concerned about how any digging for underground parking, pipes, water, and sewage will affect our homes and their stability.

Will the builder pay for weekly cleaning of our homes and yards due to the dirt and dust created by this project? Where will we go to play tennis when the courts are closed down due to the construction? Where will residents, especially the elderly go when they want to get their nails, dry cleaning done? Many Weston Down residents and their families rely on the dentist in the plaza. The local businesses in the current plaza have created bonds and connections with our community, many residents feel comfortable going to these places. This is what community is all about and if these businesses have to close down due to this building, it will have a significant impact within Weston Downs.

I would like to make it clear that even accepting a proposal like this for our community is detrimental not only for the major concerns stated above but for many other reasons as well. The applicant is also requesting a zoning change, which in turn would set a precedent if accepted because this would give the message to other possible builders that they can just build these types of buildings anywhere. I would like you to please take these concerns as well as other residents concerns seriously and do the right thing and reject this application. Furthermore, I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to observe and access first hand personally at our residence at [REDACTED] Velmar Dr. I am also open to having a verbal conversation regarding our concerns, I can be reached at [REDACTED]

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and considering my family concerns regarding this application.

Sincerely,

Gurdeep Badwal