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Todd Coles,
City Clerk
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**PUBLIC HEARING
COMMUNICATION**

Date: Mar 3/20 ITEM NO. 4

Dear Mr. Coles

Re: Clubhouse Developments Inc., 20 Lloyd Street (Board of Trade Golf Course), 241 Wycliffe Avenue, 737 and 757 Clarence Street

Files OP .19.014, Z.19.038 and 19T-19V007

My name is Orsola Massara. My husband, kids and I had moved from central Etobicoke to this magnificent community approximately 40 years ago! Since that time most of our extended family and cousins have also moved to the area. We have a very large extended family and network of very close friends that reside not only in the Board of Trade area, but also in Woodbridge and Vaughan in general. Not only do we live in the area, but we are actively involved in community, work, social activities in the area. If someone mentions a name of a Woodbridge resident, it would be very highly likely that at least someone in our extended family would know that person.

We love living in this very beautiful area. The area by the Board of Trade and Clarence street are especially unique as it is a biodiverse, natural heritage area that all citizens in the area and surrounding regions have enjoyed for many, many years. When I had learned about this proposal, I was absolutely shocked and really couldn't believe that such a horrific proposal could be submitted. My family, friends, associates, colleagues and visitors are adamantly against this proposal!

As citizens of Vaughan, we elected the Mayor and Councillors to act as our representatives, and to act in best faith!! Nothing less. Ramming something through without a democratic fair process, or without respect, first and foremost, for the needs and expectations of taxpayers/citizens would be completely non-sensical.

The proposed infill development endangers the natural balance of nature in the area and would adversely impact me, my family, relatives, and the community in very detrimental ways:

1. The Destruction of natural heritage features, that have made this area a very unique and special community and environment that has significantly contributed to the quality of life of all in the community and surrounding areas for decades.
2. Substantial biodiversity, wildlife, trees and unique fauna in the area creates a critical natural balance in the area. This is something that very few communities enjoy. The proposed infill development severely impacts this balance.

A number of citizens in the area have also already noticed that a number of trees and fauna at the Board of Trade have been mysteriously cut down. Isn't this prohibited!!

3. The proposed infill development will add at least several thousand more vehicles and will further tax the already congested roadways and turn our neighbourhoods into a nightmare. There is also no room to expand the major (and minor) arterials that connect us. Traffic will be at a standstill.

The proposed infill development makes absolutely no sense at all, and on behalf of my family, friends, relatives, and community, I am formally submitting my objection to the above proposed infill.

I believe that a detailed study supported by the following be performed:

- Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment;
- Environmental Impact Study;
- Comprehensive Traffic Study (taking into consideration applications already approved within the parameters of the affected community);
- Health Impact, Social Impact Studies, and other relevant studies

These are critical in order to properly assess the subject lands' proposed intent for development. These detailed studies are only possible with the implementation of an Interim Control By-law.

The Interim Control By-law will facilitate the completion of a comprehensive report that will scientifically document conservation priorities and facilitate science based environment review as well as other necessary studies, in addition to which we request the City Council to provide the current landowners a Notice of Intervention to Designate to preserve the potential Cultural character of the Board of Trade Golf-Course.

We respectfully ask that this matter be dealt with the highest priority.

We would also expect nothing but clarity, openness, and transparency through this process with no discussions behind closed doors!

Sincerely yours,

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