Dear Mr. Coles,

Please register my objection to the proposed development plans at the Yonge & Steeles neighbourhood because the development is not in the best interests of the city of Vaughan and its residents. Such high density housing is to the benefit of no one, except the builder. Rather than having decent housing for residents, residents will be crammed in like sardines. Traffic will be a nightmare and the subway is already overloaded and far too crowded.

According to Stats Canada, one in five renters in Toronto suffers from overcrowding and overcrowding leads to increased spread of disease. Now in the age of covid 19, we need less density, not more, as the virus is more rampant in high density areas. Why give Vaughan the same overcrowding problems as Toronto? People have moved to the suburbs for more spacious living and to leave the crowdedness of the city.

The proposed density is between double and triple that allowed in the Secondary Plan. The proposed height is more than double what is currently allowed in the Secondary Plan. The proposals do not enhance the existing neighbourhood. The facilities being proposed are
only for the benefit of the residents who live in the proposed developments. There has been little to no consultation with the community. The existing facilities/infrastructure cannot support this large an increase in population. Please keep me informed of any actions Council may take on these proposals.

Thank you,
Barbara Israel