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Subject: [External] Flamingo Highrise (File OP.19.016 and Z.19.040)

Hello,

I would like to voice my opinion against permitting development of a tiered 3 to 12 story residential building in Flamingo (File OP.19.016 and Z.19.040 Location: Part lot 33 and 34, Concession 1, Applicant Chabad Lubavitch of Southern Ontario).

Long time ago when homes were bought in this neighbourhood, there were assurances, even signs, that this would remain a single-dwelling community. The zoning bylaws reflected that, and the master plan ensured it. So why would anyone think otherwise or feel their choice to purchase in this neighborhood was misinformed. They wouldn't. Well, that's about to change because one neighbour has deemed their vision for this community more important than that of their respective neighbours. This isn't the same situation as down the road. High-rise buildings were always part of the master plan just south of Centre St on Bathurst St.

Furthermore, A traffic study was done on July 31, 2019 leading up to the long weekend, in the middle of summer vacation. That doesn't reflect peak times under any circumstance or time of day. Among the 264 page report, it was further stated that there would be an expected increase in transit ridership of 25% (from 1,307 riders in 2021 to 1,363 riders by 2031) on the segment of Bathurst Street adjacent to the proposed site. We all know carpools are on sabbatical during the summer months, and many are on vacation. An increase in ridership does not constitute a decrease in automobiles on the road. Clearly. What we need is a new study on the increase of cars and traffic in the neighbourhood but not an unbiased traffic studies—after the impact of COVID-19. We need a new traffic study once we are over the pandemic that is done not in the summer, winter break or March break.

I hope the city of Vaughan will hear out the strong opposition of the people who reside in the neighborhood as well as the Ward 5 Councillor Alan Shefman and act accordingly to prevent this plan.

Kind regards,
Iris Glesinger