From: Jody McCutcheon Sent: Monday, June 07, 2021 9:32 AM To: Clerks@vaughan.ca; Council@vaughan.ca; Gina Ciampa <Gina.Ciampa@vaughan.ca> Subject: [External] Fwd: JANE TESTON HOLDINGS INC. OP.17.002

Hello

My wife and I live on Giotto Crescent and have learned about the multi-storey condominium proposed for the south-east corner of Jane and Teston from developer Jane Teston Holdings Inc. We are very concerned about this project for several reasons.

First, such a project would create an expected increase in vehicular traffic. The access road from Teston to Giotto would lead to more vehicles on the formerly dead-end road, which would heighten the danger risks for children in particular. Giotto Crescent is a family-centric street, with many children playing sports in driveways and even occasionally on the street. People sit on their porches and lawns in the afternoon and evening sun to enjoy the peace and tranquility of this quiet neighbourhood. We moved here specifically to reduce traffic risks and enjoy a closed-knit community and quiet family atmosphere. Clearly, a multi-story building does not fit with the current nature of the neighbourhood of detached single homes. There is clearly no role for this kind of monstrosity in our neighbourhood.

In addition to more vehicles, there will also be more human traffic, which presents a risk to small children as well as potential violations of privacy, sanitary conditions and the "feel of the neighbourhood." More people means more garbage, more noise and generally more potential for disturbance. This is not what we expected when we paid a premium price for our home. Also in this regard, a multi-storey highrise would eliminate any west-facing view from our property as well as eliminate any privacy due to highrise inhabitants having a direct view into our backyard, thereby potentially decreasing the property value. Furthermore, the construction of said project would lead to excess noise, dust and debris and an invasion of construction crews and their diesel trucks for the months or years that said project would take to complete. Our historically low-population-density neighbourhood will suddenly become a high-population-density neighbourhood.

Perhaps the most important objection to said project stems from the fact that <u>indigenous grave sites</u> were discovered on or around the properties proposed for development. Considering our country's current struggle with supporting Indigenous rights, and especially in light of the recent discovery of the remains of 215 children in BC, it would be in quite poor taste if the Jane/Teston Holdings project were green-lighted during National Indigenous History Month. At the very least, before any development is attempted, traditional land use studies should be undertaken to assess the area's

historical usage and potential cultural significance to First Nations people. We are all Canadians and as such we must support Indigenous rights. The Jane/Teston Holdings project seems to completely disregard them.

For these reasons, my wife and I strenuously object to the proposed development of a condo at the corner of Jane and Teston.

Sincerely The McCutcheon-Sivananthan family.

------ Forwarded message ------From: **Gina Ciampa** <<u>Gina.Ciampa@vaughan.ca</u>> Date: Sat, Jun 5, 2021 at 9:26 PM Subject: JANE TESTON HOLDINGS INC. OP.17.002 To: Gina Ciampa <<u>Gina.Ciampa@vaughan.ca</u>> Cc: Marilyn lafrate <<u>Marilyn.lafrate@vaughan.ca</u>>

Good afternoon,

Further to Councillor lafrate's letter of January 10, 2021, as you know, the landowners (applicant) appealed the application to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT), which is the Provincial body that makes the final determination on disputed development matters. As this item is subject to litigation, it will be considered in a Closed Session meeting of Council for Tuesday June 8th at 5pm.

Our office received this information late Friday afternoon. Because of this late notice, Councillor lafrate will ask Members of Council to defer any decision on this item to the Council Meeting on June 22nd to allow time for the Giotto residents to provide their comments on the original application for a mid-rise building at Jane and Teston. If you have neighbours that are interested in this development, please share this email with them.

Please send in your comments to <u>clerks@vaughan.ca</u> and to <u>council@vaughan.ca</u> as soon as you are able to.

Respectfully,

Gina Ciampa

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