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**COMMUNICATION – C15**  
**ITEM 5**  
**Committee of the Whole (Public Meeting)**  
**October 6, 2020**

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Good morning,

I am sending this email to express my intention to make a formal deputation for File #: OP.20.008 & Z.20.016. If possible, I would also appreciate a chance to speak at the committee meeting on October 6th. Below I have outlined a number of reasons why the following proposal by Western Centers Limited should be denied.

1. The subject area of land in question is originally zoned for commercial use and not high density residential condominiums. It is for this reason that these condominium developments should NOT be considered.
2. As it stands, this community already experiences an increased amount of traffic congestion,

as most business and residents use both Weston Rd, Major Mackenzie and Hwy 400 to enter and exist the area. Constructing high density condominium towers will essentially bring an influx of people to the area, thus hindering the ability for individuals and traffic to flow efficiently.

3. The addition of condominiums to the area also places a great deal of strain on our physical environment. Additional buildings and residents will create an increase of pollution in the area. Given that walk-ability score in the area is already relatively low, many residents have to rely on an automobile to access businesses they visit daily. (i.e. grocery stores, coffee shops, convenience stores). This will be the same for individuals who would be living in condominiums. Therefore, a high density development is counter-productive for this current intersection/community as it creates a landscape that is hostile to pedestrians.

4. The construction condominiums to the area do not promote a space that is aesthetically pleasing and create an eye-sore for existing residents. As it stands, this proposal will position condominiums right on the door steps of existing residential housing. This creates an unsightly view for many residents in the community.

5. At the moment there are no high-rise condominiums along Major Mackenzie from Hwy 27 to Keele St. Most of the residential homes in this area are single family dwellings. A high rise condominium development in the area will be uncharacteristic for our community.

If you have any questions, or require additional information please feel free to send me an email or give me a call.

Regards,

Antonio Gallo

