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Subject: Council Public Meeting Jan 22 2020 RE D01-19003 and D02-19016 Zoning Amendment

To whom it may concern:

from: Julia Orechnikova 197 Rothbury Road, Richmond Hill, Resident of Westbrook Community

I am opposed to these Amendment:

RE Inquiries Refer To: City Files: D01-19003 and D02-19016 City Planner: Kaitlyn Graham, Senior Planner – Site Plans Amendment application proposes to amend the height, density and neighbourhood transition policies of the Official Plan to permit a high density mixed-use residential/commercial development comprised of four (4) towers ranging in height from 25 to 29 storeys with a Floor Space Index (FSI) of 5.0, a Gross Floor Area of 107,853 square metre

Reasons : the neighborhood infrastructure (schools, roads design) was built for original FSI of 1.5 and not scalable for FSI of 5.

This amendment proposes FSI of 5 which is 3.3 times higher than current.

Nearby schools (Trillium Woods PS, Richmond Hill HS, HG Bernard ES) are already over capacity and stressed with existing development in the area. Schools cannot accommodate increasing number of students and as a solution portables replaced normal classrooms. Portables do not have washrooms and in the winter kids have to go outside to a school building for a washroom break. On another side, YRSBD limited number of children per class, thus increasing number of classes and increasing need for more classrooms.

This amendment triples density, from current 1.5 FSI to 5 FSI.

1. What schools will be taking overflow of the students? Where any density studies done in regards to this amendment to validate school capacity?

2. What did YRSDB say?

I am concerned that this issue was not addressed in the amendment.

There was a site at Brookside/Alamo Heights planned for new elementary school by YRSDB. In 2011 that land was sold to a developer because YRSDB got confirmation from Richmond Hill that the density in the area will not increase therefor no need for a school.

Now we are tripling the density but no planning for new schools.

3.What is going to happen to only Richmond Hill high school in 3-5 years when all high rises are planned to be built?

4. How you plan compensates doubled density and Richmond Hill high school capacity?
5. Brookside RD and Canyon Hill RD entrances to Yonge has same old design and will not suffice for FSI of 5. Where any traffic studies done in regards to this amendment to validate it?

Please address these concerns (questions 1-5),

Any questions please let me know,

Thank you

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