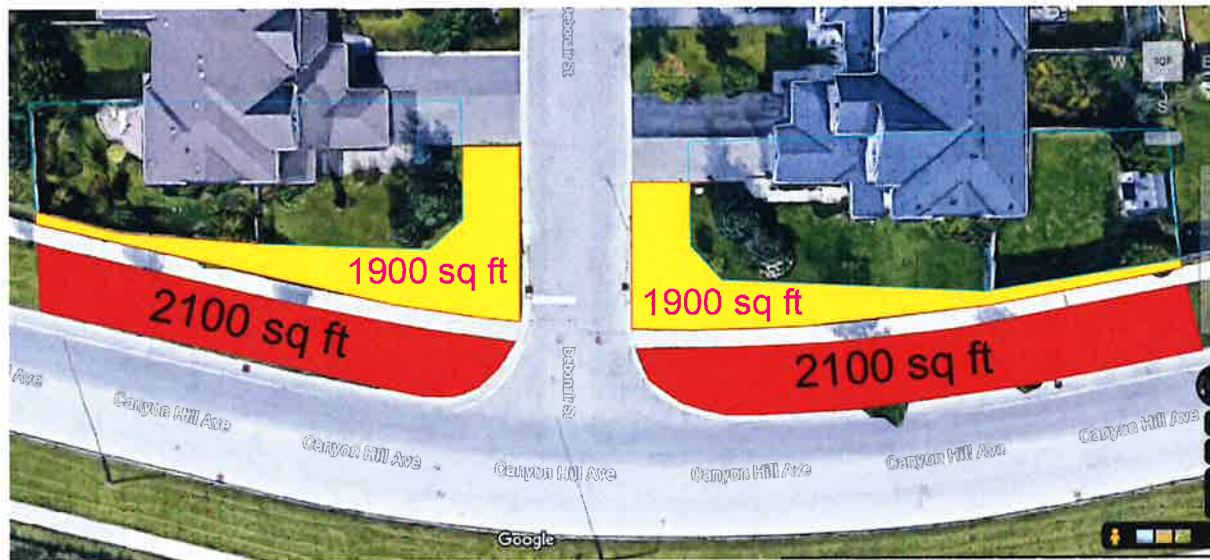


To whom it may concern,

We have noticed City of Richmond hill has stopped mowing the grass on the red highlighted area (2100 sqf) along Canyon Hill Ave, which has a huge negative impact to our property value and causes home owners a lot of burdens and stresses.

For the past years, we have been cutting the grass on the land belongs to the City (yellow highlighted area, 1900 sqf), this was already a huge burden for a small townhome owner.



The 2100 sqf boulevard area is completely not linked with our properties, it is separated by the City sidewalk and the yellow City areas. It completely doesn't make any sense to for owners of end units of the rowhouses to mow such a huge area for the City.

As residents, we don't feel safe to cut larger area of grass on city's land right beside a live highway:

1. In Ontario highway system, Canyon hill Ave is an undivided collector highway with **70km/hr designed speed** (post speed of 50km/hr) on a curved alignment as per MTOs' Geometric Design Standards for Ontario Highway and Roadside Safety Design Guideline, and this intersection is neither signal controlled nor controlled by stop signs, the impact of the fast moving vehicle may hit anybody working in the boulevard as the areas are not protected by any steel beam guiderail or barrier system.
2. City's worker has the powerful commercial mower, they can easily finish the mowing work within minutes. But it would take us much longer time and effort to cut such a huge area by small residential lawn mower. The longer we exposed in the boulevard beside a live highway, the more than likely we would be hit by the fast moving cars, flying debris and stones, etc. (the current busy ongoing construction at Yonge/Canyon hill makes the situation even worse, lots of heavy construction equipment and vehicles are passing by). When mowing the grass, City workers are covered by the commercial and automobile

liability insurance, while we, as the private home owners, are not allowed to carry out such work without such insurances.

In addition to that, the responsibility of maintaining this huge boulevard area would dramatically impact on the value of our properties, can you imagine who would buy a tiny 1300 sqf townhouse with a huge responsibility of cutting more than 4000 sqf grass not even on their land! which is more than 300% of the size of the house!!!

We strongly express our concerns and are not accepting the responsibility of cutting grass on such areas. Our cases are definitely the extreme cases across the City, it's not fair at all! We would request the City to grant us exemption and resume the grass cutting service on the areas.

Sincerely,

Home owner of 1 Debonair St:

ROYA SOITANI

Home owner of 2 Debonair St:

GUOXIN (JUSTIN) CHEN



July 19th, 2019