

Richmond Hill City Council
Planning and Regularity Services Department

Att: Councillor David West, Mayor Dave Barrow, Councillor Castro Liu, Councillor Karen Cilevitz, Councillor Joe DiPaola, Councillor Tom Muench, Councillor Godwin Chan, Councillor Greg Beros, Councillor Carmine Perrelli

Application #: NOA D01-20004 and D02-20010

Greetings councillors,

I hope our email finds you well and in good spirits.

Regarding the above applications, we have been advised that City of Richmond Hill has provided Right Of Way (ROW) to the Developer to access Arten and Creekview avenues.

As you know, the City itself granted R1 zoning to Arten and Creekview years ago, as has been registered in Land Registry Office 65 Newmarket (please check POLARIS, Teraview and GeoWarehouse for more info). It is strange that the City has granted access for a Commercially zoned property in the middle of Single Residential R1 zoning.

Should the proposed application be accepted, taxpayers on Arten, Creekview, Oxford and Vomano will lose their privacy, safety and peace in this City. Further, the application will severely impact homeowners in the area causing their homes to be de-valued. Until some month ago, 10684 and 10692 Yonge St commercial property never had access to Arten or Creekview avenues. The City's decision to grant ROW is disappointing and against the interests of the residents in our neighbourhood.

As you know, the Arten Ave has been a Residential Single Family area, and we purchased our house assuming that it was Residential as per City of Richmond Hill's Official Plan and Zoning By-law. The application requests amendments that are in direct conflict with the existing Zoning By-law in Arten Ave.

On behalf of residents of 55 and 57 Arten Ave, I would like to express our strong opposition for amending the Official Plan and Zoning By-law in the above application. We oppose any type of entrance onto Arten and Creekview avenues and a high-rise building exceeding 15 storeys in height.

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