

From: Michael Whitehead
Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2021 11:30 PM
To: Clerks Richmondhill <clerks@richmondhill.ca>
Subject: 0 Oneida Cres

Dear City of Richmond Hill,

I am writing in support of the proposed amendments for the property at 0 Oneida Cres. I am a supporter of densification and particularly in this location as it is in easy walking distance of the proposed High Tech subway station. The Staff Report for Council Public Meeting SRPI.21.030 claims that "Urban Design staff have also identified areas to improve the interface of the proposed development with the existing Town owned linear public park lands to the north, as well as other opportunities to animate the public interface and engage pedestrians along the Red Maple frontage onto Dr. James Langstaff Community Park". This is also my sentiment and reason for writing. In my opinion, the developer should consider constructing the podium level units fronting Red Maple in a way that would facilitate future conversion to commercial/retail units. I would also like the final design to consider walkability. I would like to see a breaks in the podium on all sides of the property to facilitate pedestrian movement to/from Red Maple and to/from the linear park. I have no issue with the height or density proposed and I am pleased to see much more visitor parking and 3 bedroom units in this latest proposal. My concern is simply getting something that does not contribute to the community. If the buildings are constructed to accommodate future commercial uses and enhance the walkability of the area I believe this project can make a positive impact on the community.

Regards,

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