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Subject: City Files & Yonge Zone City Files

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Sandra DeMaria, MCIP, RPP, Senior Planner sandra.demaria@richmondhill.ca Leigh Ann Penner, Senior Planner at leighann.penner@richmondhill.ca and -

Stephen Huycke, City Clerk at clerks@richmondhill.ca

Subject: City Files: D01-21006 & D02-21011

And Subject: Yonge Zone City Files: D01-20001, D02-20006, D03-93005

Good afternoon,

I am a resident of Oak Ridges affected by all of the above-noted City Files. Creation of this density and traffic cannot be excused with - "oh, it's Yonge Street – a throughfare" so disregarding well-considered zoning is demanded.

These applications form a massive block divided only by a few lanes of road. They exceed existing zoning, will negatively impact traffic, and disintegrate the character of the existing community.

No matter how these parcels are divided they will all (as current applications show) greatly impact the underground streams on the Oak Ridges Moraine. Drainage flows from the east to the west and into (& underneath) the established neighbourhood of Beaufort Hills Estates – which is not constructed to modern urban standard and is at destabilization risk. Construction of buildings of height results in invasion of these sensitive water courses on the Moraine.

Also, loss of ground surface area (ie.parking lots and buildings) results in loss of absorption area further impacting the water cycle (rain – evaporation) which is even more important in these climate change times.

It is my understanding that over the past three years, Richmond Hill has received enough development applications to build all the units needed to cover the projected population growth for the next 20-years. In particular, adding another 8 stories on the west side of Yonge is wholly unnecessary.

Council members, acting in service of residents and not for developers is called for regarding the above.

To ensure my written objections to these proposed developments are received and recorded as part of the public record with the City of Richmond Hill, I am submitting my comments directly to Sandra DeMaria and Leigh Ann Penner, the Senior Planners, assigned to these various proposed applications and to the City Clerks Department.

Yours truly,

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