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Sent: Thursday, October 14, 2021 9:53 PM

To: Clerks Richmondhill clerks@richmondhill.ca

Subject: Objection to the project D01-21008 and D02-21016

Dear city staff,

My name is xxx, I am the owner of the property at xxx. Please do not disclose my name and address to any third party.

I am writing to the City of Richmond Hill planning department to express my opposition to the proposed two apartment buildings of 27 and 31 storeys at Leslie and Elgin Mills.

1. Location

High rise buildings are mostly built close to convenient public transportation systems like subway and bus terminals. It makes sense, as a majority of the people living there can take public transit instead of driving to be convenient and environmentally friendly. This proposed area is nowhere near any of them, so everyone who lives there will have to drive. This is not a proper location for high rises.

2. Traffic

Currently, the south bound left turn from Leslie onto Elgin Mills is already very congested. The situation will be worse when those sold pre-construction townhouses get built along Leslie and 19th Ave. If these high rises were built, people could spend 10-20 minutes just to make a left turn to go on the highway.

3. Aesthetics

currently the houses in this area are all low-rise buildings, if two tall buildings suddenly appear, it will drastically change the landscape of the area. It's not a proper location to build high rises.

4. Property value

When this subdivision was first developed, the builder said there could be mid-rise buildings on Leslie of around 10 stories. This is nowhere near the 30 story buildings they are now planning. I would not have bought the property if I had known this at the time, and I am sure other homeowners feel the same. High rise buildings will drive the current owners away from their properties, negatively impacting the home value in this subdivision.

5. Parking

Visitors to the high-rise buildings will very likely park their cars on the street if visitor parking are not sufficient, this could be a potential safety issue, and will cause inconvenience to the current residents.

Due to the concerns listed above, please reject the proposed plan to build two high rise buildings in the area.

Best regards,

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