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Subject: Concern regarding City Files: D01-21008 and D02-21016

Dear policy makers and leaders,

I would like to bring to your attention a recent filing of an application from Leslie Engin Development Inc. regarding Block 51, Plan 65-M-4668 (0 Birchall Road).

Impacted residents in the surrounding neighbors, including myself have been informed about this application seeking to permit a high density residential development. While we are actively encouraging the city's intention to provide increased housing, we are not certainly in agreement with the introduction of high density residential development in this neighborhood.

As city planners and policymakers, high density residential buildings must be carefully thought out considering a multitude of factors that impact the neighborhood, including accessibility to public transportation/rapid transit/subway, ease of accessibility to amenities, to name a few. Such factors directly impact our quality of living. As residents of the neighborhood, we are already feeling the impact of a densifying population during rush hour and our weekly trip to the grocers. The high density residential development as proposed is rather suitable for locations where there is an immediate plan to support the infrastructure. Yonge and Hwy 7 is a perfect example of where high density residential projects can be justified with adequate plans to support infrastructure and amenities.

The application put forth by the developer delivers a message to the current residents that the adverse impact this project will bring to the community is not their priority, but rather to seek out maximum profitability of the corporation and what makes it look good in their track record to solve the immediate issue of the housing shortage.

I sincerely urge you to review this application carefully, and to reflect the voice of the surrounding neighbors as much as possible.

Yours truly,

David Baek and Esther Lee

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