

From: Irene Ngu

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 5:03 PM

To: Clerks Richmondhill clerks@richmondhill.ca

Subject: Leslie/Elgin Development

Dear City Clerk,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the request from Leslie Elgin Developments Inc to amend the application and zoning by-law for 0 John Birchall Road whereby they will be looking to erect two high rise buildings with a total of 600-700 dwelling units.

My concerns are twofold: the significant increase in traffic imposes a safety concern to the intersection, and lack of existing infrastructure to support influx of 6-700 family units. Firstly, the developers plan to have two entrances, one at John Birchall and one at Leslie. The intersection at John Birchall/Leslie is already heavily populated, especially at peak traffic times. It is hard to imagine how this intersection can support 6-700 more cars without negatively impacting the community and traffic jams. Increase in traffic times often times results in frustrated drivers and speeding. Further, directly across the street from the proposed development is a community centre and secondary school. This results in heavy pedestrian traffic in the surrounding area. Keeping in mind that young adults often are high risk-takers (ie. increase in jay-walking scenarios), I am deeply concerned for the negative impact this will have on pedestrian and traffic safety.

Secondly, as a parent of two children in this community, we are already facing challenges of having to send our children to Markham for school as there is no primary school in our zone in Richmond Hill. Richlands is a community that has been established for a few years with no movement on adding primary schools as of yet. To add such a high density development to the area would seem to be a major strain on school infrastructures in the near future.

I strongly urge you to disapprove the proposed amendments and am positive the residents of this community share my opinion.

Thank you for your support of our communities and for acknowledging our concerns.

Best,

Irene Ngu & Ray Choo

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