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Subject: City Files D01-21009 and D02-21018

Dear Sir/Madame,

My name is Joanie, writing on behalf of my father, who is a current resident at Mon Sheong Court, 11211 Yonge Street. He does not speak or write English well. As well, to represent myself as an owner of the Life Lease Occupancy Agreement with Mon Sheong Foundation.

A couple of items to mention before I go to the context of the email... to both the city clerk and Ms.Kaitlyn Graham

1) I request to be kept informed through out this whole process..All up coming meetings, distribution of materials, architectural plans, amendments and so forth

2) With the upcoming town hall meetings/info sessions.. we need a 3rd party representative..ie UNRELATED to Mon Sheong who speaks both Cantonese and Mandarin to be an interpreter. To be fair and to give a fair chance to current residence to understand and to voice their comments. Mon Sheong Court residents speaks mostly Cantonese and/or Mandarin. Though they speak little English, they cannot fully comprehend the complexity of this project nor can they fully express themselves in English on this matter. Having an English only meeting will do unfair justice. Using a Mon Sheong rep.. obviously is not fair as Mon Sheong is the applicant. .. Below is the purpose of my email.

The new proposed building affects the current senior residents, especially to all units facing North and even more to the block of units at the North East corner. way of:

1) Mental Health: blocking natural light for units facing North. Natural daylight & open space is essential for any person, esp seniors to keep their mental health in check. Taking away or limiting this, is in fact promoting poor mental health.. which is against Mon Sheong's own commitment. While there are many healthy senior residences, we cannot ignore the ones who currently have mental illness, made known or unknown.

2) Inadequate spacing: due to unreasonable closeness between the buildings, window blinds might have to be always half closed.. which ties back to the importance of need of natural light & sense of open space. If this proposed building gets build, current residence facing North will be staring at a block of concrete; and likewise to the residents facing South of the proposed building.,

This particularly and greatly impacts the column units at the North East corner of the existing 'Building C'. (sorry, I don't know the official land description of this building) as the proposed building cascades down from East to West.

3) Density: Unlike other regular condo development, these are senior residences. Senior residence living requires space, comfortability and stability. Special attention has

to be considered when reviewing applications for senior residence. This is way too dense for a senior residence setting. The current Mon Sheong Court at 11211 Yonge St is already a big building complex.

4) Ongoing Construction hazards, noise, dust, light pollution.. counting by YEARS. Need not to explain... when it's so close to the existing building complex, this affects the current residence in every aspect of life. Senior citizens often stay at home during the day as most of them are retired. They will have to endure this torture while they are at home. This will become an unsafe and uncomfortable living quality, and once again, against MS's own commitment statement. In fact, this will create a hazardous environment, leading to and/or impacting physical and mental health; including all the potential construction site hazards.. creating and being so close to an established complex where all residents are seniors.. healthy, or with walkers, or in wheelchairs.

While I am in support with more senior residence and long term care facilities are needed for the city, this should not be accomplished at the expense of other seniors life quality. Mon Sheong should seek another land space to build... rather than to use a relatively small parking lot for this purpose. .. just to 'save' money by using their current asset for expanding.

Mon Sheong Foundation carries a mission to provide care and support to senior citizens. This is a great cause... but, once again, not at the expense your current, established community.

Thank you.

Joanie Luke