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Subject: Council Public Meeting (City Files D01-21009 and D02-21018). Application for rezoning of 11283 by Mon Sheong Foundation. Serious Safety Concerns of Residents of 11211 Yonge Street.

For the Council Meeting of May 4, 2022 concerning the proposal to rezone 11283 Yonge Street.

This email is about the serious concerns of residents of 11211 Yonge Street. The proposal by Mon Sheong Foundation to build a 15 storey complex at 11283 adjacent to 11211 poses a very serious safety issue arising out of the resulting heavy traffic flow in the inner road between Yonge Street and Yorkland Street.

1. This inner road is presently used by residents of 11211 and is a one lane traffic road. It winds from 11211 through 11199 Yonge Street (Mon Sheong Long Term Care Centre) and 182 Yorkland Street (Elginwood Long Term Care Home). The traffic from all 3 centres use this inner road to navigate to Yorkland Street. In addition, public traffic from Yonge Street often use this inner road as a short cut to shuttle between Yonge Street and Yorkland Street.

2. There's a Public High School at 201 Yorkland Street which is just around the corner. Five days a week the traffic in the mornings and afternoons where families drop and pick up students cause a heavy congestion. Vehicles are randomly parked on both sides of Yorkland at and near the entrance to the inner road mentioned above. Vehicles are also illegally parked on the fire route . See video attached.



Video attachment  
submitted by K.Loke

3. Seniors at 11211 walk along this inner road to Yorkland and there are no side walks on both sides. Some seniors use walkers and some even drive mobile scooters on this road.

4. There's a very sharp bend in front of 11199 with a deep slope. Often one driver has to come to a full stop to allow the other driver to pass before moving on to avoid accidents happening.

The traffic condition is bad enough even for the present situation. If 11283 were to be added to the complex, the number of vehicles using the same road will be greatly increased as well as the number of residents walking on the same road.

It will be a matter of time before serious accidents occur endangering the lives of seniors living in the (3 and potentially 4) senior homes and long term care centres sharing this inner road between Yonge Street and Yorkland Street.

While we commend the good efforts of Mon Sheong Foundation to provide seniors with residential accommodation and long term care centres, we strongly feel that the road and traffic issue has to be carefully planned and executed to accommodate the increase in traffic flow for the safety and well being of all the seniors living in the whole complex.

Thank you.

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on behalf of concerned residents of 11211 Yonge Street  
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