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Subject: The Zoning By-Law Amendment Application "D01-20018 and D02-20033

Importance: High

Hi,

I am the homeowner of the 137 Lacewood Drive, and would like to participate in the public meeting on December 7th .

FYI, I participated in the last meeting on 6/15/2022, expressing my deep concerns as well as my neighbors' about this project.

We all noticed how Schlegel Villages Inc. and their architect attempted to distract audience/City by emphasizing on the humanitarian aspects of this project, while the truth is exploiting the land horribly and have more residence units as much as they can, since this is a very profitable business project these days.

I am supporting the expansion of long-term care and retirement residences in Richmond Hill. However, as myself a construction engineer, my wife an architect, and my daughter is an architecture and geography planning student at UofT, it is obvious to all of us that the proposed design (3 high density 8 & 10-storey buildings in a small area) is contradicting urban planning ethics and standards.

Below were our concerns against the approval of this project that had been previously shared during the June meeting:

- *It is a multiphase project for three large buildings that will take a minimum of 8 to 10 years of construction.*
- *The buildings are extremely close in proximity to our backyard which will cause tremendous construction-related disturbances such as excessive dust, noise, lack of natural light, and discomfort. This may lead to health issues to the residents of this neighborhood.*
- *Also, this will negatively impact the value of our houses and will force us into troublesome financial situations.*
- *When purchasing my house in 2014, I did check with the City at that time about the above land. The City confirmed that the land is designated as a mix GC1 area, accordingly I purchased the house.*

Overall, this project will hurt an entire community throughout its construction and post construction phases. We urge the city to refuse and/or reconsider the plans submitted by Schlegel Villages Inc. for this prospective project.

Thank you,

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