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Subject: Opposition to High-Density Development

Importance: High

Dear Office of the Clerk,

I am a resident on May Avenue. I am aware that ELM 9700 Yonge Limited Partnership has put in an application for a development proposal to build 2 large condominiums at the south/west corner of Yonge St and May Ave where there is currently a gas station. The proposal for 24 and 18 storey buildings requires an amendment to the Zoning By-law to permit a high-density development with over 650 units planned. My husband and I are absolutely opposed to this type of high-density development being situated at the end of our street. We are deeply concerned about the impact this type of high-density residential development will have on our quiet community. The traffic congestion is already intolerable. Our street is often used as a throughfare to get from Yonge St. to Bathurst St. and Major Mackenzie Dr. which has resulted in difficulty just getting out of our driveway. Increased vehicular volume has also resulted in an unbelievable number of individuals who speed down our street and drive recklessly, not respecting the 50km/hr speed limit or stop signs. While we understand the speeding is a separate issue, we are very concerned about safety in this regard as well. We would not be opposed to single family homes or even townhouses. We did not purchase a home in downtown Toronto because we wanted a quiet neighbourhood to raise our children in. Instead, we chose this neighbourhood in Richmond Hill, but this is definitely not the same quiet street we moved to 8 years ago and it will only get worse if the Zoning By-law is amended to allow this high-density development to occur. I have spoken to many neighbours and not one is in favour of this development! What recourse do we have in opposing this application for a Zoning By-law amendment?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you,

Maria