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Sent: Monday, May 19, 2025 8:44 PM
To: Clerks Richmondhill <clerks@richmondhill.ca>
Subject: Opposition to the Proposed Development at Longworth and Leslie

To Richmond Hill Clerk's office staff:

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing as a concerned resident of Oak Ridges to formally express my opposition to the proposed development at two five-storey buildings, containing 201 residential units and 371 parking spaces, at the corner of Longworth and Leslie, just north of Stouffville Road.

While I understand the need for growth and housing, I believe this particular project raises several serious concerns:

1. **Traffic and Safety:** The added density will significantly increase traffic on already congested streets such as Leslie St and Stouffville Rd. This poses safety risks for pedestrians, cyclists, and school children.
2. **Strain on Infrastructure:** Our current infrastructure – such as sewage, water, and emergency services – may not be able to handle the increased demand this development would bring.
3. **Neighborhood Character:** The scale and design of the proposed condos are not in keeping with the existing character of our neighborhood, which is composed primarily of single-family homes.
4. **Environmental Impact:** Oak Ridges is home to Oak Ridges Corridor Conservation Reserve, which houses endangered species such as the Jefferson Salamander. Increasing population density in the surrounding areas poses threats to traffic noise level and wellbeing of natural area.

I urge the Planning Department and City Council to reconsider this development or require substantial revisions that address the community's concerns. We respectfully request that our concerns be entered into the public record and seriously considered during the planning process. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Deirdre Beckerman