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Subject: [EXTERNAL]Participation for the application for minor variance A-2023-0390

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Application number: A-2023-0390

Property address in question: 15 Simmons Blvd. Brampton, Ontario.

I give consent for my opinion to be read by the committee.

I do not agree with this variance for the following reasons:

1. 0.65 meters is a very narrow walkway. 1.2 meters is a minimum setback for a reason. How is an occupant supposed to move a couch, appliance or even groceries within 0.65 of a meter.

According to the drawing, the stairs face the back yard which means the occupant will have to navigate between the fence and railing for the stairway every time you enter and exit the residence.

2. This was not an existing stairwell to a below grade establishment. This was installed after the new occupants took possession this past summer. How was this originally passed? Was this entrance properly constructed? Is there proper drainage? No permits were visible for this work. I believe if there was a permit that this location would not have been acceptable by the city.

3. In case of a fire, how will fire services be able to properly access the rear of the house through such a narrow space. How would a Paramedic get a stretcher through in an emergency? Fire safety egress, how will someone safely be able to exit this residence?

4. The amount of secondary units in housing in our area has skyrocketed over the past few years. Our once safe and quiet street is now a constant flow of loud, speeding and reckless traffic. If this variance passes, this will allow even more people to do the same below grade entrance allowing even more residents in our already over populated area. This will put even more strain on our city services such as garbage disposal, education, roads, water and as well as parking in our area.

Thank you for hearing my comments and concerns.

Thanks!

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