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Dear Sir,

I am writing this email as a responsible and concerned Brampton Resident residing in the neighbourhood of the newly proposed housing development (File: OZS-2024-0039) at 9379 Clarkway Drive.

I must say that it was indeed a shock to see the proposal given the issues we have in that area around safety of residents and increased traffic because of the proximity to a major arterial highway. I would like to **register our strong opposition to this proposed by-law amendment as residents of the neighborhood.**

Following are the key reasons for opposition:

- **Increased exponential traffic** because of the said structures leading to **hazardous conditions** like **collisions/diversions/increased traffic/parking issues & complaints**. Number of **collisions** and **fatalities** have increased **exponentially** and are getting worse the over last few years because of **increased industrialization on the East side** of Hwy 50 (Vaughan) and increased trucking and vehicular traffic. Stats can be seen at: <https://data.peelregion.ca/apps/4dc75dd92af74db0856e13ab76135b33/explore>
- **Significant increase in the risk of the residents** of the new building(s) as well ending up in creating more **traffic problems leading to collisions, complaints and possibly fatalities in future** as Old Clarkway Dr is the only **'Entry and Exit'** for the building. This puts more life in danger than which otherwise is already high for the existing residents.
- Adding to this because of the newly developing Plaza adjacent to the proposed development will add more vehicular traffic to the neighbourhood. This will only put more lives in danger vs helping the community or the neighbourhood.
- **Increased stress on Schools** as the current two schools in the neighbourhood are already **running over capacity because of population outburst** in the last decade. Elementary kids are already facing issues with **portables on**

school grounds and this will only add more with 346 units from single premises with over 300+ kids added to schools assuming 1 kid/unit. This will lower the standard and quality of education which is declining day-by-day.

- **Increased risk to residents, seniors and children's safety** on these roads like Old/New Clarkway Dr due to exponential traffic all time and year-round. **Safety concerns for children walking to schools** as neighbourhood schools are deemed walking schools and use collector roads like New Clarkway Dr for commute.

- **Number of Parking allocated for the building is way less** than what it is supposed to have (346 Units with 1.2 Parking including visitor parking as per the by-law <https://www.brampton.ca/en/City-Hall/Bylaws/Archive/259-2020.pdf>, whereas the proposed # of parking units are only 277). **City planning committee did approve the plan with this discrepancy**. This will only lead to **visitors and residents of the new building parking in the neighbourhood residential roads** preferably Versailles Cres, which leads to tons of **parking infraction complaints on daily basis** to City by-law officers and a major inconvenience to existing residents.

- Proposed structure is very **close to Residential Units with proposed 2nd floor Outdoor recreation amenities facing existing residential homes**. Existing residents are opposed to the proposed mixed use facility with **privacy concerns**.

- **Parking spillover and space utilization concerns** with increased cars visiting the proposed facility during **peak hours, festivities, weekends and holidays**.

- Added commercial **facilities within the premises will encourage more visitors and cars to the facility** adding more to the above said **concerns on traffic, privacy, safety of children/residents** and parking all-round the year.

- **Loss of the only available green patch/canopy** in the immediate neighbourhood which otherwise only witnesses the heavy traffic on both sides (Hwy 50 on east and New Clarkway Dr on west) of the residential units.

- **Increased noise pollution with the increased traffic** because of these buildings and Hwy 50 all year round.

- **Seniors of the neighbourhood** will bear the brunt of all the above concerns **impacting their mental health and well-being**. They **will be hesitant to even walk or take a stroll during days, weekends or evenings because of traffic**.

- **Increased financial burden to all residents of Ward 10 and 9** because of increase in **traffic collisions and Insurance Claims**, which otherwise is already one of the highest for these wards in Brampton City.

- This part of the neighborhood has seen **increased crime rate over the last few years** and with the addition of new space and more people, it will **only increase the risk of public safety**.

We are not against the new development of housing as that is essential given the low number of new houses built. However, what we are opposing is the location of this housing plan which otherwise only leads to more lives put in danger and harm's way than building a safe, cohesive and inclusive neighbourhood which every resident of the City wants while the City also benefits from the same. Brampton and in particular HWY 50 is already notoriously known for its inherent danger for commuting, this will only add more to that already perceived danger.

We as residents of the neighbourhood "**OPPOSE/NOT-IN-FAVOUR**" this amendment to official zoning By-Law and the new development of three mixed-use buildings on that location.

I would like to delegate in the public meeting to be held on Sep 9th. Please find the attached delegation form duly filled for your perusal.

Thank you in advance.

Regards,
Shankarayana Sreedhara

