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Subject: [EXTERNAL]Community Concerns re: OZS-2021-0056- Proposed Development at 227 and 229 Main Street

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Honorable Mayor Brown, Honourable Councillors and respected City staff,

My name is Vaibhav Sharma and I am a resident of Hodgson Street.

Mayor Brown, Counselor Medeiros, Counselor Keenan , and City staff we humbly request you to visit the area and see how close the buildings will be to the existing low rise community.

For Reference please see

Attached Picture 1: Which shows the front of the 227-229 property. The Picture was taken from across the road and you can imagine the **height of the building(3 times) with respect to the 8 stories tall Amica building.**



Attached Picture 2: Shows the proximity of the existing low-rise neighbourhood community. The picture was taken from the **spot where the 23 story building is supposed to be developed.**



Attached Picture 3: **If 23 stories are built**, this is what it will look like from the backyard of the existing low-rise single family homes. **Please add 3-4 more stories to this building as this is a picture of a 18-20 story building** (75 Charolais Blvd) taken from a distance that is possibly more than what is proposed at 227-229 Main St. **The proposed development will possibly be even closer than the building in the picture.**



Available Studies:

All available Studies have identified that the subject property is in the height transition area and putting these two excessively tall developments will heavily disrupt the existing character of the area. The planning principles expressed in the Hurontario/ Main Street Corridor Master Plan, clearly says that the maximum height of the buildings in this area should be no more than 10 stories and there should be a height transition area. These principles, which were developed with a lot of planning, assessment and consultation by Rio-Can and City Staff, are equally valid on both sides of Charlois Boulevard.

The documents uploaded on the City's portal, with regard to this application also show, and support the

reduction of building Heights. The height reduction is further supported by the Brampton development design guidelines. Rio-Can has acknowledged our existing community and have planned their tall buildings closer to Steels and have scaled down the height and mass of the development towards Charolais Boulevard.

We would request the Ivory group and City staff to also recognize our existing neighborhood and plan and reduce the proposal down to 9-10 levels accordingly.

Privacy Issues:

We have major concerns about the privacy and safety of our property which is adjoining these excessively tall buildings, as well as with the possibility of an overlook. The trees that are already in place may take many years to grow into maturity height, which will still not give us much relief from prying eyes or reckless behavior from other people due to sheer height of the towering structures.

Mental Health Issues:

There will be a constant strain on our Sky View as these buildings are going to cover the majority of the sky. This can have a major impact on the Mental Health of the residents.

Safety Concerns:

Our biggest concern is safety. In 2019 a woman threw a chair from a high rise balcony in downtown Toronto which endangered the pedestrians and traffic below. **The height of these towers and the distance between the low rise homes can lead to a very similar situation in the future. With the wind any object big or small, thrown from the balcony of these proposed high rises can land on our property, and, God forbid, on our heads!**

I want you to take a moment and Imagine living in constant stress and fear of this similar situation.

We ask for your support in ensuring the development that takes place is done, with an **appropriate scale of no more than 10 stories**, taking the neighborhood properties and community in account. Please ensure that the proposed development complies with the height restrictions specified in the Hurontario/Main Street Corridor Master Plan for the subject property, which is 10 storeys, and reject any current recommendation reports.

We look forward to your support in helping to make Brampton an even better place to live.

Regards,
Vaibhav Sharma
Hodgson Street Resident