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> Good morning Mr Brown and respected councillor's,

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> I recently found out that there is a zoning application to change zoning from commercial to residential along steeles ave between Mississauga rd and Financial drive in Brampton. After reviewing the proposal set out by the large builder(DG) I was shocked and not the least to say deeply disturbed that this aggressive residential housing plan was not only proposed and will likely be approved by city council. My understanding is 4200 units comprised mainly of apartment style buildings is proposed to be built. The residents in this area are extremely upset and feel this type of highly dense "build" in this area would not only bring the property values down on the area but also cause numerous logistical, environmental, social issues. To start with, Brampton already has one of the highest tax rates, much higher than what Mississauga residents enjoy. The reason behind this as I am sure you are aware of is that we have significantly less commercial/ businesses. Brampton he failed to attract large businesses in the area. The few that are here do not lift the tax burden on residents as our taxes continually increase year over year. Mississaugas mayor Hazel Mcallian went around the world to attract businesses to Mississauga making in become a highly successful city economically (comparable to Toronto) but also resulting in Mississauga resents enjoy lower taxes because the large businesses were paying corporate taxes shifting the burden from resident to businesses. As a result of DG's plan to rezone this pocket of Brampton from commercial to residential we are losing our cities ability to attract and retain large businesses. Mississauga rd and Steeles is considered a professional business area with businesses like Cannon. Second, by rezoning this area to residential I would assume you thought about infrastructure. 4200 units in a small space will result in approximately 20,000 to 30,000 influx of people to this area. This is based on the high number of individuals residing in households. Most of these new residents will have vehicles, and nowadays most people have two cats per household (at minimum). This will result in approximately 10,000 more cars. Do you have the raids to support these additional cars? No only do I not see any road expansion I do not see any parking at these apartment complexes. Where will people visiting these new residents park? I live 80 coastline dr and my only exit to leave my house is Financial drive. The city built townhouses on Coastline drive which only have one parking spot. I can tell you as a resident when I am trying to drive out of coastline drive I have a difficult time because not only are there cars parked on the driveways (blocking sidewalks because they are parking two cars in one spot) but there are cars parked on both sides of the street. This is in a very small area with only maybe 30 townhouse's which has created a driving nightmare entering and exiting onto Financial drive. The reason I raise this point is because if you approve this plan you will have the same problem. Financial drive cannot support 20,000 additional cars. We already have the space arm factory on Financial drive which will result in hundreds of more cars and more traffic, now add 20,000 cars from this new residents there will be a traffic nightmare.I would understand if this project was proposed at Steeles and Hurontario st (shoppers world area) because you have the light rail system which would ease the burden of residents requiring cars. However, we do not have this here at the proposed location. Second I did not see any new schools in this plan, no community Center, no new shopping areas. Where are all the residents going to shop? Are we only to shop online? We only have one grocery store in our area (Fresco) is this grocery store supposed to support 20,000 more shoppers?

This is ridiculous. Where are these new residents supposed to work? If you take away all the commercial space and replace with residential units? The new residents will have to commute to work outside the city causing a traffic nightmare. Are you building any new hospitals or increasing hospital beds, police, fire? Not to mention not only will this look like a concrete jungle full of tall buildings but crime will also increase in the area if you provide affordable housing. This will negatively impact the natural areas protected by credit valley conservation. The storm water management pond will not be able to handle all the run off from the buildings. I am deeply concerned along with the residents in my community. I understand if you want to provide housing for new residents but at this density and magnitude it not only does not appear sustainable but also result in the cities downfall at failing. It appears yo are trying to recreate downtown Toronto in the suburbs and I am sure you are aware of the infrastructure problem Toronto has. At least Toronto has multiple hospitals, commercial space which we do not have. I also became aware the same change is happening at Argentina and Winston Churchill where commercial space (store such as Walmart, Toys r us, etc) are all being torn down to build apartments. Plus this will also happens at Shoppers World in Brampton. Where are residents to shop? You cancelled the new mall on Mississauga rd and Bovaird. You will cause residents to all shop in Mississauga at Heartland giving the City of Mississauga businesses put hard earned money. Mississauga will benefit from this plan not Brampton as all revenue will be teamed in Mississauga by Brampton shoppers. I realize Mr Brown you have veto power to vote over this issue of rezoning which was handed to you by the Doug Ford government. I hope you chose not to use it because if you do it will show that your hands are in the pocket of the big developers. I realize most of the councillors voting on this issue do not even live near this area therefore they feel if will not impact them if they vote yes. But I hope they realize there hands their legacy and your legacy will be all over this. People, residents, everyone will remember you by this one choice. You will change our pocket of the city forever. I would like to pony out that this is a very political issue and residents in the area are very heated and will not vote for any councillor or Mayor who supports such drastic and aggressive housing scheme. The residents will remember whether their concerns were taken into consideration or whether the city of Brampton bulldozed ahead with this plan. We are aware that the builder and the city have been contact for more than a year and the builder knows their plan will be approved otherwise they would not have submitted such an aggressive and ambitious plan. I am not naive I know that the builder obviously had the green light from city council in advance otherwise they would not propose this. Lastly, to be transparent, I have contacted several large media outlets to make them aware of this highly political issue. This is not just a city issue, it is a provincial and Federal issue which has deep consequences for all involved and impacted. The residents feel like they have had the rug pulled out from under them. We will not put up with this without a fight because we know it is not just an issue which affects us but can and will happen elsewhere.

> I respectfully hope you take into consideration my points and seriously take into consideration the impact this decision will have not only for the residents, the city, but also your careers as politicians. Your decisions will determine the rise or fall of Brampton as a city.

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> Thank you

> Ms. Nazir