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Ms. Lysynski, Secretary to Committee

The agenda #10 shows the latest Downtown Master Plan for approval and inclusion by way of a by-law in the "London Plan (New Official Plan) to be approved by Council on Feb. 9th, 2015. Also the expansion of development charges.

I have waited since last fall for update of the "Downtown Master Plan which has been delayed until now. The original plan wasn't like this and the presentation tonite is a direct conflict with London Plan Application to Expand Pg. 204. The rush to decide eliminates any reasonable public or "New Councillor analysis.

Here is what I see happening under the guise of saving downtown:

you are being asked to support a downtown from Old East London to the river; from S.O.H.O to Oxford Street to the north (including Richmond Row). Millions of dollars will be spent subsidizing development charge credits and Transportation Model with several competing businesses forming a giant Mall subsidized with millions of dollars from Feds, Prov., and Londoners (We pay all three levels). This at the same time as you want to strengthen neighborhoods.

Dundas Street is 3x original cost; Kitchener according to Free Press is 1 billion dollars; and you don't even have a realistic plan to move ahead. I will repeat again senior city staff indicated costs are not their issue it is YOURS!

The Treasurer isn't there to apply reason he is there to figure out how to pay for Your decisions. Staff have no money in the game!

No body is listening to the ordinary people who are trying to deal with reality; you are listening to special interest groups. Seniors living in fear, death in unlicensed home; fire in a motel; these are not small events falling through cracks; these are a known way of life tolerated.

Sorry to ramble; but wasn't it the original master downtown plan that clearly stated they ignored marginalized people?

Note: please circulate to all Councillors.

Recommendation : Take a pause and deal with facts and reality!