

Dear PEC members,

As a taxpayer, real estate professional, property owner in the Near Campus area of Sherwood Forest and Orchard Park, I would like to be included in the added agenda of the November 26th 2015 meeting with my opinion on the matter.

I do NOT see the issue of secondary dwelling units as a problem or an issue. I do not believe that it needs to be

'policed' by the city and it has not been an obstacle in any facet of property enjoyment, that I can see, in these

neighbourhoods. It is far more likely to have neighbours that do not properly maintain their yard and property, than

be disrupted by property owners with secondary units.

The idea of the City of London monitoring secondary units is short sighted in many ways. There are many home owners and investors that

rely on the added income from rented bedrooms to finance their homes and lifestyles. These same taxpayers have the

right to the enjoyment of their private property, as they see fit, in most respects. The control and /or manipulation of

secondary units will have an adverse affect on property values, as well. I am sure you realize that in a Market Value system

for provincial property tax, the reduction in values will affect City of London tax revenues...although I would imagine that you

will be creating some 'make work' projects/fees/fines, etc to offset that. My experience tells me that the corresponding

bureaucracy created will only end up costing London taxpayers more, in the end. The policy of going after absentee landlords is

discriminatory, as well.

I would prefer that you leave secondary units as they are, thank you, and pay more attention to roads, sewers, emergency services and

the meat of what a city should manage.

Best Regards,

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