PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING COMMENTS

11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING - Southwest Area Secondary Plan Parking Regulations (O-8741)

- Stephen Gallant, 6645 Navin Crescent – See attached submission.
- Linda Zirul, 6649 Navin Crescent – indicating that their property backs onto the Old Oak Properties property; advising that they have lived in their residence for two years; pointing out that they did their research before they purchased their house and there was never anything stated with regards to an apartment building being built there; stating that it was zoned for many things; advising that with the change of the policy that the applicant is asking for, it should not happen, especially if it is already in place there, the Committee is letting them win, letting them get what they want; pointing out that right now, they feel that an above-ground parking structure would devalue their neighbourhood; advising that they do not want the apartment building there, but if they are going to put something, underground would be much better, it would be much quieter; pointing out that there is an adjoining apartment on the opposite side of them and sitting in their backyards, they can hear the wind noise from it, it is very bright; pointing out that the people on Vallas Circle have complained about it as it is noisy, very bright, there are car alarms going off all day and night; noting that underground at least most of this would be muffled; hoping that this application is not passed.
- Karina Carillo, 6639 Navin Crescent – indicating that she is a new resident to this area; hoping to make this her dream home; advising that she agrees with everything that her neighbours have just said; indicating that they can hear everything from the apartment building that is approximately half a block away from them down the street; indicating that she cannot imagine what it will be like if it is in their backyards; believing that this would be muffled by underground parking; advising that she would prefer not to have the building go up at all.
- Ali Soufan, York Developments – enquiring about the technical side of what constitutes underground parking via structure and what happens at grade; indicating that they have a number of locations in the southwest area that range from three stories to twelve or fourteen stories in height; advising that typically they design their parking structures underground, fully, so they typically would have two stories underground, totally buried, sometimes three, depending on the soil conditions and the type of building but the structure ultimately has a roof on it; reiterating that whether it is two stories buried underground or three stories buried underground, it has a structural plateau up top; wondering what the spirit of what staff constitutes underground parking, at grade, what happens at the top layer of the structure, the top floor of the structure.
- Richard Zelinka, Zelinka Priamo Limited – asking that the application not be passed, that it be deferred pending resolution of The London Plan policies so that there be a single policy approach that is accepted across the City for this type of application; advising that they were also not informed of this public meeting even though they had been part of the process before; indicating that there may have been some mix-up leading up to this meeting. (See attached submission).