

To begin, I am giving permission for this email to be a public submission.

This email is in reference to the proposed re-zoning of the property at 8076 Longwoods Road, London, ON, and hopefully will be read by the mayor and the city Councilors of London, ON.

Please take the time to read this email, as it covers some pertinent points.

First of all, when the London councilors first voted on this issue in May, 2017, they based their votes on information that was given to them. Unfortunately, important information was NOT relayed to them, and some of the information misleading. By correcting some of this misinformation, hopefully the councilors will be able to provide a more accurate vote, based on solid information. One such example of misleading information was that there was a need for Halal meat, as the closest source of Halal meat was a few hour s drive away. That is not correct, as the Provincial government's own website lists multiple sources of this meat, including an abattoir just a few minutes away (Mt Bridges abattoir, just on the edge of Delaware).

Other examples of missing and misleading information have since then been sent to you by MANY of the neighbors who are genuinely concerned about this issue. In fact EVERY neighbor that I have spoken to within a couple of miles is deeply concerned about this issue. In fact, to date there are 1,186 supporters that have signed a petition against this request for a zoning change at this property. Even though this whole area is zoned agricultural, it is rapidly becoming a residential area. Even the Lambeth community's subdivisions are extremely close to this property. Why would anyone even consider putting an abattoir within the boundaries of London, especially in this area.

We must also considered that a third generation "**Millar Berry Farms**" operating for over 50 years and a Hungarian restaurant (**Aranka Csarda**) has been severely affected by the smells and millions of flies infesting their business, due to the mishandling of the livestock operation that the present owner has been illegally doing for over 7 years already. Observing his past behavior, how can any reasonable person think that this present owner will change his ways? It has always been my impression that city bylaws are in place to protect established businesses, not drive them into bankruptcy just because a new business wants to start up. This application for re-zoning is completely illogical. If London wishes to entertain an abattoir, it would only make sense to keep it in some remote area OUTSIDE of its boundary. Why would one wish to completely upset an established neighborhood who has always supported the city of London.

Also, please note that during the council meeting on July 17, 2017, London s planning board misled the council again. Councilor S. Turner asked what remedies for violations or problems that may occur later. He brought up how will issues be dealt with when they haven't been in the past. Planning answered that the province would be the policeman. Planning made it

known that the provincial government would take charge enforcing problems with the slaughterhouse, dead animals, manure etc. But Turner claimed that he talked to the province and they told him that they would only be concerned about the slaughterhouse building and operation itself, they don't enforce any other farm issues like the flies, smell, manure, or animals running around – city of London is still on the hook to enforce that. Misled again.

Also, at that meeting, Councillor J. Helmer asked if they approve sheep at 8076 Longwoods, how can they stop any neighbour having other livestock?

These issues that I have discussed are only just a few of the issues at stake. Does London really wish to inherit all of these problems? Would it not just be simpler to deny the application? If London grants this re-zoning, it will be taking on huge constant headaches. Also, London will be responsible for the destruction of many present loyal London businesses, not to even mention the MANY extremely frustrated residents. For what benefit? Is it really worth it?

Please consider these issues and take the easy way out and just deny the application for re-zoning and enforce the law as it is.

Sincerely,

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