

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING COMMENTS

3.4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING – Application – 7 Annadale Drive (SPA18-060 and 39CD-18511)

- Laverne Kirkness, Kirkness Consulting, on behalf of the applicant – indicating that these are zoned lands and the plans that you are looking at comply with all of the zoning regulations and there are no adjustments or variances are needed; looking for comments from the public and the Planning and Environment Committee with respect to the site plan approval and the vacant land condominium for the fifteen single-detached condominium units; expressing appreciation to staff for their thorough report and analysis; expressing agreement with the staff report; wanting to point out to the Planning and Environment Committee that Forest Park is sensitive about the neighbourhood views and they have had a couple of public engagements, one last May, a formal meeting at the Medway Community Centre; noting that more than one hundred people attended; advising that it was one of the more positive public meetings that he has experienced in his decades of experience where one gentleman got up and said that he wanted to buy one of those, where does he sign up; noting that they just do not usually get that kind of support; believing that with the City having a template plan proposed for ten single-detached dwellings and twenty-five townhouses, they were coming in with eight singles and fifteen single condominium units and that seemed to meet the satisfaction of a lot of the residents and that is why that meeting was so positive; thanking the community for the engagement and for allowing them to attend their annual meeting at their barbeque at the Orchard Park school; noting that this is the Orchard Park/Sherwood Forest Ratepayers Association; advising that they had a display there were people would come and see their project as shown at the meeting; indicating that they paid particular attention with the interface to the rear yards of those ten homes on Friars Way; pointing out that at the public meeting in May, Dave Tenant, the partner of Forest Park, indicated that they would likely want to visit each rear yard and deal with them specifically and individually with the homeowners; advising that Art Learman is their Landscape Architect and they walked the fence line and then wrote a letter to all ten households saying that they think that the best approach is to leave the very sturdy chain link fence along that boundary with a lot of vegetation already wound throughout it; noting that some may be invasive but still it has an aesthetic role and they would leave it intact, there was only one resident that had cleared all that and was therefore having a rear yard that was quite exposed to their site; indicating that they had their Landscaper make two individual offerings saying that they could do nothing and just leave it if you like the sunlight to penetrate there, they could also have a low hedge, they could have some small shrubs planted along there; noting that they have not heard back from him but they will follow up; stating that that approach of leaving the existing vegetation buffer in place, which is pretty substantial, you cannot really see between the two properties in the leaf seasons of the year; advising the other one was 26 and he just found out that that homeowner wanted to have the invasive material taken out along his common property boundary and they have agreed to do that; noting that they are going to meet him on site next week to get the details of that; bringing that to the Planning and Environment Committee's attention because they have tried to handle things in a fairly decent way with the public following the concept that Council adopted and had worked out with the residents from 2013-2014; paying a special thanks to Mr. S. Levin for working with them to globalize the Association when they needed to speak to them.
- Sandy Levin, President, Orchard Park/Sherwood Forest Ratepayers Association – thanking Mr. L. Kirkness, Kirkness Consulting and Mr. D. Tenant for working with the neighbourhood on this project; going back two Council's ago, when the Thames Valley District School Board closed the school on the site and with

cooperation from City staff through various departments, they have an agreement to acquire all of the property, a key part of it parkland and allow for development on part it; advising that Mr. M. Tomazincic, Manager, Current Planning, was a big part of that; Mr. J.M. Fleming, Managing Director, Current Planning and City Planner, was involved in a number of discussions that they had, they had a representative involved in reviewing the tenders and it went through two different tender processes before it came to this so this was a real serious piece of work between people in the industry, people at City Hall, Council and the Neighbourhood Association to come up with something that he thinks is a positive for the community, they may not have had everything they wanted but they certainly have something that is much much better than could have happened if the City had not stepped forward on this particular project; on a very detailed question, there is a comment on page 190 of the Planning and Environment Committee Agenda that mentions a draft reference plan is to be submitted for the road widening of Wychwood Park and there is a reference to detailed transportation comments in Appendix "B" but there are not and he is sorry for not catching this prior to the meeting; advising that he is not really sure and he has been asked by residents about the widening of Wychwood Park, is it a major change or just widening the throat into the new development.

- Ken Savoy, 8 Friars Way – confirming the houses, the models that were shown in today's demonstration, that they are single storey buildings and that the agent does not have a plan to do two storey buildings.
- Ivan Listar, 26 Friars Way – advising that he submitted some written comments by e-mail and just to correct the records, his name is spelled Listar not Lister as shown in the document.