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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Site Plan Control Application, 536 & 542 Windermere Road; File SPA19-098

Dear Leif,

I am writing in response to the recently mailed invitation for public input to the site plan approval of this project.

At the outset, I remain opposed to this type of development in this neighbourhood and the corresponding rezoning that was approved by Council. No amount of gilding during this process will convert it to a 'silk purse' in my view. I understand that this is irrelevant, as the rezoning has been approved. During that process, our neighbourhood rallied in opposition to the project but realized that there was little hope in defeating it, so they pressed for various considerations to minimize the visual intrusion, destruction of trees, and protection for our existing neighbourhood. Expansion on these themes, previously made by our neighbourhood, should be on file with you and I hope it is not necessary for the neighbourhood to reiterate them.

As for providing comment now - before July 3rd, I would point out that, had I any comments to make on the site plan details, the following challenge would exist:

1. The mailed invitation has a June 24th postmark. I know it was not in my mailbox before July 2nd and I only became aware of it this morning (July 3rd).
2. Many features on the mailed out document, showing the site plans, are illegible due to size of print. Similarly, attempting to view them on the City's website is equally challenging (on my 21 inch desktop computer screen).
3. Viewing the actual plans themselves is not possible - according to your mail-out's comment that "in person" viewing is not possible during the COVID Emergency period in Ontario.
4. Similarly, the question comes to mind as to whether an "in person" attendance to the July 13th public participation meeting can actually happen. (If we can't attend a sports event; how can we attend a political event?)

The sum of all of these issues makes it very questionable that we, the public, can actually participate through the review of legible documents and provide meaningful comment in writing by July 3rd.

In closing, I urge you to take very seriously those comments that might come from the property owners immediately abutting the development. My heart goes out to them and I support them entirely.

Respectfully,

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