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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Zoning By-Law Amendment for 1146-1156 Byron Baseline Road

Hello Councillor Hopkins and Ms. Lowery;

We live on Byron Baseline Road and would like to state our disappointment with the revised proposal to develop the plot near Byron Baseline and Griffith. The number of units is simply too large for the space, the infrastructure, and the composition of the neighbouring families.

As with the previous proposal, the main issue is not about "fit with the neighbourhood homes" - as has been mentioned numerous times. That is a very superficial argument. My family (and other residents) are concerned about the traffic safety on an already busy road. This proposal would increase the traffic in this particular area exponentially.

I invite both of you to stand at the corner of Byron Baseline and Griffith Street for one hour during the day (even 15 minutes will suffice) to witness the number of traffic violations that take place at this busy intersection managed by a 4-way stop. I rarely see police presence in this area, so these violations would go unrecorded, and therefore not be referenced in the decision-making. More traffic from this significant increase in residents will lead to even more dangerous conditions on this road and at this intersection. If this proposal goes forward, will the city be installing traffic lights?

Furthermore, is the city aware that most of the households near this part of Byron Baseline Road have very young children? This further highlights the traffic safety issue. There are children who walk or bus to school, and this many units crammed into this tiny plot will make this zone unsafe.

I will be very surprised if the city approves such a proposal. Please consider our request to reduce the number of units to something more reasonable. I understand that the city prioritizes tax revenue but in this case safety should be prioritized. Councillor Hopkins, I recall that you were supportive of residents' concerns last time, and I hope that you will continue to show that support.

Lastly, I am hoping that the Planning and Environment Committee will recognize that due to the pandemic, participants at the meeting this evening will likely be fewer than during normal circumstances. As I mentioned previously, many residents have children and will likely not attend such a public gathering.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Angela Robinet