

## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING COMMENTS

### 3.1 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING – Application – 1284 and 1388 Sunningdale Road West – Application for Zoning By-law Amendment – Request for Revisions to the Draft Plan of Subdivision 39T-04501 (Z-9216)

- Councillor Cassidy: Thank you Mr. Corby. Is the applicant here?
- I am, its Steve Stapleton from Auburn Developments.
- Councillor Cassidy: Go ahead Mr Stapleton, you have five minutes.
- Steve Stapleton: Thank you Madam Chair. We're in support of the staff recommendation. We believe the amendments to our application dealt with the public input that we are heard regarding height and increasing intensification. It was our objective in the original application to proceed under The London Plan for intensification; however, due to the proximity of existing dwellings and existing residences we are agreed to the amendment to reduce the height to eliminate some street townhouse zoning that we had more of the interior of the subdivision and we believe it still represents good land use planning and we're in support of the staff recommendation. As Mr. Corby noted the history regarding the park block in a redline change to extend the Shields Place cul-de-sac originated many years ago when the EA for the Heard Creek and the location of the sanitary sewer was re located on the south side of the drain therefore the walkway was also relocated to the south side of the drain leaving this parcel and open space redundant there was no real connection or did not increase the connectivity and therefore we are including it in our subdivision to maximize the utilization of this area. If there's any other questions I'll be happy to answer them.
- Councillor Cassidy: Thank you Mr Stapleton. Any technical questions from Committee? Seeing none I'll go to the members of the public to see if there is anybody here who would like to address the Committee regarding this application. I see some movement in committee room one and two. Come to the microphone, state your name and you have five minutes.
- Thank you very much. Good afternoon my name's Nasser Zabian and I'm the Director of Finance and Marketing for XO Homes. We are opposed to the proposed change and my justification is pretty simple. I'm here on behalf of my organization and our homeowners who purchased these lots with the hope and belief that the land behind the houses they purchased would be parkland. As such this change would negatively impact our company's image as we rely heavily on word of mouth to ensure our company's future success. Furthermore, the clients that we've already, you know, promised this kind of premium lot do have the right now to back out of their deals which would negatively impact our company in a whole other way. It also, you know, it's detrimental to our future as I mentioned and we just ask you to try to consider a small business and the potential future of Londoners who are moving from across the country to these lots. One person from BC, one person from Toronto and someone who's actually in a different meeting room right now have all really urged us to try to fight for them to have this opposed.
- Councillor Cassidy: Thank you sir. Are there any other members of the public who would like to address the Committee? I see somebody in number five. You can come to the microphone, state your name and you'll have five minutes.
- Hello. I'm Joe Huu. I'm actually one of the persons that are, that have bought a lot on there and I was actually expecting, I picked that lot specifically because of

the park behind there and knowing that there may be a change is actually impacted my, I guess you can say, my choice of lot right now but I'm kind of so far into this is like it I don't even know what to do because I was expecting a park behind there. I wanted to get like these spaces are very hard to come and choose from these days, especially with so much residential buildings everywhere and everything is so tight and our backyards are so small it was something I wanted to choose specifically for my family with the dogs and my kids, right. I don't know really what else to say I'm just, if it changes I just know I would be very disappointed but I guess it's up to you guys, it's your decision. I'm sure other people may feel the same way choosing a lot that was specifically designed to have a park behind their house and now to have it change not all of them may even know about it I was even just lucky enough to have time off work to come in and speak on this behalf I know I spoke to some neighbors you feel the same way as well I can't speak for them but that's all I would like to say. Thank you.

- Councillor Cassidy: Thank you Mr. Huu. Any other members of the public who would like to speak to this item? I'll ask one more time, any other members of the public who would like to address the Planning Committee about this application on Sunningdale Road West. Okay. I'm seeing none so I will look for a motion to close the public participation meeting.