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Hello Mr. Fontana and city counselors my name is Ken Nickles and I live at 1811 Royal Crescent and my property backs onto the property in question (193 Clarke Road).

To give you a little history on this area, the property I own and live at has been in my family since 1972. The surrounding area of the property in question for rezoning has always been a quiet and lowkey area. For the most part we have medium sized houses on matching sized properties. These properties are ideal for a single family to purchase and the properties listed in this area do not stay on the market for long. Although some properties, such as mine, have more spacious lots, this neighborhood is primarily filled with balanced single family dwellings.

I am here today to speak to you about the negative impact that the proposal from Southside Group and It's Our Home will have on surrounding property owners. This proposal will significantly alter the property resale value, market resale of our homes as well as our way of life. A building of this size just does not fit into the landscape of our neighborhood and it would be irresponsible of all involved to force this on taxpayers who have spent a lot of time and money on their property knowing that this area is zoned for low density single family dwellings. There is a reason areas are zoned the way they are and that is to keep people from trying to make changes to the landscape of an area that negatively impacts its residents.

Furthermore, with respect to the occupants of this proposed dwelling, I have first hand experience with someone on the Autism Spectrum as my son was diagnosed with Autism in 2008. There isn't a day that goes by that I don't worry about where my son will live after his parents are gone. As a parent I do not want him to live in an area that is involved in controversy due to zoning or to location of his dwelling because that would not be fair to him and would negatively impact his own progress in life.

At the meeting held on February 13th 2013 Marti Lussier, President of It's Our Home Housing Project stated, that her group "looked all over London and this was the only place they could find". I find this very hard to believe, especially when a member of our neighborhood group explained at this meeting that her church group owns property that they have been trying to work with the city on infilling and that may be ideal for the project Mrs. Lussier is heading.

During this same meeting, I asked everybody present if the priority was the project or the infilling of this land. The response from the community, the

stakeholders as well as from city officials was unanimous in that the project was the priority. This property is not the best suited for this project.

For all the reasons brought before you today, it would be irresponsible of all involved to move forward on this project at 193 Clark road and the only alternative is to reject this proposal. It is the right thing to do for the surrounding property owners, the community as well as for the prospective residents of this project.

Sincerely,

Ken Nickles