

City of Hamilton PLANNING COMMITTEE ADDENDUM

Meeting #: 21-008 Date: May 18, 2021 Time: 9:30 a.m. Location: Due to the COVID-19 and the Closure of City Hall (CC) All electronic meetings can be viewed at: City's Website: https://www.hamilton.ca/councilcommittee/council-committeemeetings/meetings-and-agendas City's YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/user/InsideCityofHa milton or Cable 14

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6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

*6.1. Adam Colalillo respecting 322 Mount Albion Road - Municipal Heritage Register (Item 7.3 on today's agenda) (For today's meeting)

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS / DELEGATIONS

- 9.5. City Initiative CI-20-C to Amend the Rural Hamilton Official Plan and City of Hamilton Zoning By-law No. 05-200 for Lands Located at 435 Carluke Road West, Ancaster (PED20073) (Ward 12)
 - *9.5.a. Registered Delegations:
 - (a) Janice Currie
 - (b) Doug Cranston, Carluke Cemetery Board
 - *9.5.b. Written Submissions
 - *9.5.b.a. Tricia Simons
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Good Morning,

I own/reside at ## Carluke road west, which is across the road from the community centre. I am writing with regards to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment to rezone the Carluke Community Centre which would effectively remove the greenspace and playground equipment. I am very opposed to this happening for a number of reasons. The first and most important one is that we have 3 autistic sons who frequent the playground on a daily basis. It is a big part of their day to be able to go and swing. It provides them with necessary sensory stimulation and has become a big part of their routine daily. Removing the playground would have a detrimental effect on them. Second, our community is becoming younger and younger and families are moving in. This playground will be an integral part of all of these families lives as Carluke is somewhat removed from the rest of the city, and having access to a playground will be important for them as well.

As our community develops, especially in terms of offering services for adults/teens with special needs, I feel that this community centre can be put to much better use through programming for the community rather than changing into a residential property. Carluke is a community that is very giving and this centre is a key within that community.

Thank you for accepting my concerns.

Tricia Simons

From: Pascal Gauthier Sent: May 13, 2021 8:45 AM To: <u>clerk@hamilton.ca</u> Subject: Carluke community centre

Good day

I am writing with regards to the carluke community centre possibly being refined and as a result losing the free space and playground. I am very opposed to the rezoning. I have children with special needs and they rely on the playground for much needed exercise and a break from the world that is so difficult for them to live in. Their mental health relies on being able to get the sensory input through swinging. It calms them and their brain.

The community centre is better as a community centre not a private residence. The carluke community is one of support and I believe that this centre could be restarted as a centre and provide even more to this community.

Thank you for allowing us to register our opinions in this regard.

Pascal Gauthier

From: Geoffrey Cros Sent: May 13, 2021 11:32 AM To: <u>clerk@hamilton.ca</u> Subject: Carluke community center

Hi,

Just to let you know, I don't want you to rezone the community center because my brother goes to the playground there everyday and goes on the swings. He goes there just to destress so we need to keep the playground in our community.

Thanks for understanding,

Geoffrey Crow

May 17, 2021

City of Hamilton Planning Committee

Dear Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity on behalf of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church and the Carluke Cemetery Board to present our views on the how the sale of School/Community Center property at 435 Carluke Rd. W will dramatically impact the Carluke Cemetery which is located directly on east side of the school property.

Since the donation of the school land by the Calder family in 1844, the cemetery has used 435 Carluke Rd. W as parking and pedestrian access to the cemetery. The map in front of you does not show that the driveway to the cemetery is located at the bottom of a hill with no area to pull fully off the road and is very dangerous in light of the amount and speed of traffic, including transport trucks.

90% of all parking for funerals is at the School/Community Center as the actual cemetery driveway can only accommodate 3 vehicles. Parking on the side of the road on the hill is extremely dangerous due to traffic and sightlines. There is a pedestrian access gate from the property at 435 Carluke Rd. W to the cemetery which makes easy access for all, including the elderly and those with disabilities.

Although the cemetery dates back to the 1800's, there are still 129 plots available for sale and there are 108 plots that are sold and awaiting burial to people within the community. If you take into account that cremation has become much more prevalent in society today, this could translate into several hundred additional burials as each plot can accommodate 3 cremations and one traditional burial. This is and will continue to be a viable and operating cemetery for many years to come.

In addition to funerals, families who come to the cemetery on a regular basis to tend the graves of their loved ones use the 435 Carluke Rd. W for parking and access to the Cemetery. Regular lawn care maintenance providers for the cemetery also use this property for parking.

The solution to the parking problem that the sale of 435 Carluke Rd. W. will cause, would be for the City to offer the Cemetery either a 65' severance off the East side of the school/Community Centre property or that the City purchase the equivalent on the east side of the cemetery to continue to provide safe access to the Cemetery.

We have discussed this issue fully with our city councillor, Lloyd Ferguson and have not been contacted by City staff to date to address the parking issue. We look forward to working with the Planning department and City staff to find a workable solution to this issue. If no solution can be found, we would have no alternative but to turn the day to day operation of this cemetery over to the City of Hamilton who would then assume the liability should anyone be injured or killed while having no other alternative than to park on this dangerous, hilly stretch of road while attending a funeral or visiting a loved one's grave.

As a community, volunteer board, we cannot assume the liability that eliminating our parking would cause. The School/Community Center has been used continuously for over 150 years for parking and safe pedestrian access to the Carluke East Cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Cranston Chair St. Paul's Carluke Cemetery Board