

TO: THE COORDINATOR. PLANNING COMMITTEE.  
CITY OF HAMILTON.

Re: Application for By-law Amendments for  
2555 Creekside Drive. Dundas by  
1475780 Ontario Inc.

Dear Sir,

There is a significant aspect to the the Alterra proposal that deserves attention.

It relates to the nature of the population of individuals who reside in the existing Creekside buildings.

The vast majority of the residents, probably well over 80% are retirees, of whom a significant percentage are in the 70's and 80's. Furthermore there are many who require, canes, walkers and even wheelchairs.

They all share one significant perspective, namely the decision to spend their remaining years in a comfortable, attractive and convenient residence.

They chose these condos not only because of their living features but also based on the Alterra promotion of living in an area surrounded by streams, trees and grass.

The Alterra sales pitch included the prospect of a small park in front of the buildings and an unobstructed view of the escarpment.

That misrepresentation by Alterra has already been challenged by the residents and their position was supported following an evaluation by the Competition Bureau, Canada who found Alterra at fault.

The proposed plan by Alterra not only is deceitful it also has the potential to seriously impact the mental and emotional health of the residents. They now face the prospect of major disruptions in their lives as a consequence of the impact of major construction, with all the noise, dust, crowding and inconvenience.

They have to come to terms with the loss of the desirable residence they chose for their remaining years in return for increased traffic with its greater risk for injury, loss of privacy and the prospect of living in a concrete jungle with a 7 story canyon where there used to be open space.

It is also highly relevant that they are already at significant risk when trying to cross Creekside Drive and there are cross-walks lights on Ogilvie and Hatt St's that were created to increase their protection.

It is predictable that many will suffer from the psychological impact in a variety

of ways which will seriously impair their mental health and wellbeing.  
They will be forced to suffer at a time in their lives when they should feel relaxed and unthreatened.

This disturbing outcome is preventable if Alterra is required to adhere to their original proposition. we have already paid enough financially dont make us pay further at the cost of our wellbeing and health.

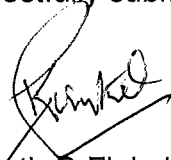
It is predictable that the proposal can seriously impair the peace of mind of a high percentage of us.  
We not only face the inconvenience already stated but also have to deal with feelings of anger and frustration as the result of our treatment, furthermore we are not talking of a passing crisis but powerful disturbing feelings that will last for months, years and almost certainly life times.

The issues we are now facing are those that we hoped to avoid by choosing to live here.

This is a wicked and cruel emotional assault that is clearly unfair, dishonest, insensitive and preventable.

Please protect and support us.

Respectfully submitted;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Finkel", written over a horizontal line.

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