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Sent: January-31-18 8:34 AM

To: Bedioui, Ida

Cc: Johnson, Aidan

Subject: Letter for Planning Committee

Dear Members of the Planning Committee:

I am writing in regards to: Application to Amend the City of Hamilton Zoning By-Law No. 6593 for Lands Located at 347 Charlton Avenue West, Hamilton (Ward 1), (PED18035). I live in the Kirkendall neighbourhood and have a keen interest in development issues. I am highly supportive of this project for the following reasons:

- a) rental units are needed in the Kirkendall neighbourhood as increased housing prices prohibit ownership for many;
- b) the developer and architect have previously liaised with the adjacent residents and made significant adjustments to address privacy concerns by eliminating amenities that occupants would have enjoyed (e.g. balconies, rooftop amenity).
- c) the project's design visually honours the general architectural style on the street. This is an attractive infill and is similar in scale to other infill units in Kirkendall.
- d) parking - a constant challenge in our neighbourhood - is being provided on-site for each unit.
- e) staff are recommending approval of this application.

I am aware that some of the adjacent neighbours have been both active and vocal in their resistance to this project. There have been concerns expressed that these are rental units. I believe that neighborhoods that are diverse in their housing and resident composition are vibrant and I base this on both my educational background as well as my lived experience. It is my hope that this project will be approved as it is needed in our neighbourhood.

Sincerely,

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