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Hello Matthew

Thanks for hosting the meeting on Wednesday. I tried sending this Thursday morning and it was rejected and again yesterday with it not making it to you.

There was a ton of great information and it helped my thought process quite a bit regarding the rezoning of the factory.

I would like to be added to the list for official opposition as I do not feel they are going to make the community better with the existing plan they have. Should they amend it. I will reconsider my stance.

I have lived at 146 Gladstone for over 40 years. Just meters away from the factory.

Here are my concerns:

1. The ownership of that property does a piss poor job of maintaing the property.

Sure, they may have a condo board that might make a better stance of taking care of things like snow removal, broken window repair, graffiti and removal of dangerous metal spikes in their front lawn. But, as to date, they do not shovel their walks in a timely fashion or keep the property looking professional with garbage all over the place and have dangerous impaling objects in their front lawn I am not willing to give them a hopeful pass until they demonstrate they care about our community. The nonsense they do of covering graffiti with baby blue paint is a horrible eye sore. I do not feel their demonstrated ability to care for the property will raise my property's value as a neighbour.

2. Parking.

Yes, they have technically met the city code for parking with beating that 1.25 ratio by 5 spots including a car share. It is not enough. 65 units will have guests and more then 1 car per home. I do not want them taking our parking spaces. I asked them about changing their landscaping to make more and they think being pretty is more important then preventing their condo people from crowding our neighbourhood.

2a. If they ammend their spot to dramatically add more spots I may reconsider.

2b. If they proceed with rezoning I want the area within 3 blocks to be turned into parking by permit only and that the condo must pay for the permits.

2bi. They said they will have 65 units starting at \$0.275M per unit... and if they want to make at least \$18M... they can pay for the paperwork to ensure the current homes do not get overwhelmed and can have guests and parking for their homes.

2bii. No one with an address of that property can have a permit and they cannot park an Cumberland.

2c. if they add commercial they must find a way to go above and beyond parking rules of "zero required" for commercial. At least 2 parking spaces for their customers per commercial location and something for staff.

2d. Their insistence that "they have gone above code" because they put in 4 extra spots and a car share is "rule-lawyering" at its best. So what? 4 extra spots? That doesn't even cover guests for one condo's Christmas guests arriving. Lose the pretty landscaping and make it more functional to pack in parking.

3. I want a written guarantee that they cannot make it bigger under any circumstances... ever.

Buris and Cumberland safely in the winter. If I get injured I will take legal action against both 100 Cumberland and the city going forward.

4. Why has the city not inspected the property to check for people living on that property? If it is not residential then prevent them from living there and make them do things right.

5. As I mentioned in the meeting please have the city ammend the zoning sign rules to make it more visible when changes are posted. I had no clue they had posted a few words on the sign as it was blank for so long. My personal opinion is that the city does not want community feedback or pushback and wants to sneak things through. If we do not know it is happening we can't try to stop it. I fully believe the city's actions in this matter are intentional. I get poor response times for questions asked or assistance and the general feel is that your fellow city hall staff members really do not want to deal with the public. Most recently, I have asked for information on acquiring a photo permit, just the price of the permit and if \$2M insurance is enough... was met with "sorry, we cannot give you a permit at this time as you have not given us enough information". I didn't ask for the permit. I asked for a price check and if the industry standard of \$2M insurance was possible to have me apply for one.... but that is another story.

Being closed daily before most people get off work is one big reason... holding meetings during workdays...is another. I have a suggestion to fix your work day for meetings... If meetings are held on Tuesdays then have City Hall operational hours open at 5pm and close at midnight. Your team should be here for the benefit of the people not their preferred working hours to keep us away.

6. If the posted sign says we are supposed to be notified and we are not notified.... I feel there is legal ground to prevent any steps that have been done so far to be negated.

You hold meetings when people cannot go or can go but have to risk being fired taking time off work. You supposedly notify us but I never was told in writing and I never spoke to you personally about it as you claimed you went door to door. I work from home. No one came here. My neighbours also have told me they were not talked to in person on the "door to door".

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