December 9, 2018

Coordinator
Planning Committee
City of Hamilton
71 Main Street West
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Dear Sir or Madam:

The proposed by-law change must not be allowed. I am currently conducting an air quality study of the proposed development area using equipment that will produce scientifically valid results. Early indications are that air quality is already poor. Allowing this development will very likely make it much, much worse. Both during construction and after, I believe there could be significant health impacts on seniors visiting "Club 60", all residents who attend either of the two churches right across the street, and children walking to R.L. Hyslop School. Changes to the R.L. Hyslop, Green Acres, Collegiate Avenue and Eastdale schools mean there will be very high numbers of students exposed to significant risk due to construction and increased traffic after the proposed building is finished. Consultants' claim that there will be no significant traffic impact are fantasy. Many of the units will be sold to two-car families and only one parking space per unit is being planned. Parking will be a nightmare, and the increased traffic on Second Avenue will present a clear danger to children going to Hopkins Park. It is also an encroachment on the so-called "Olde Town".

Seniors and children are disproportionately affected by poor air quality, especially the kind of particulate matter that is caused by heavy traffic and construction. The proponents clearly don't care that both short-term and long-term air quality challenges will result from their proposed development.

For once, consider the children and older people who will be affected most by this ill-advised scheme. Say no, and defend your actions by documenting air quality impacts.

Sincerely,

David Hart Dyke

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