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Access via North Service Road

The North Service Road is wholly inadequate to allow access for more traffic.

The Speed Limit has been decreased to 60 Km/Hr. and there is talk of adding more Stop Signs and Traffic Lights to control the traffic thus slowing the traffic flow which, is going to make living in the area of Green Road and Francis Road a nightmare.

It appears that Hamilton Planning does not like 'Roundabouts' (Traffic Circles) as there are none that I know of. Other regions and municipalities are adding these as a major means of 'passively' controlling both traffic speed and, flow e.g., Burlington, Kitchener-Waterloo, Windsor.

Why, if the planning for the Three Towers, was made in 2010 have we not seen any of the plans for access in and out of our community. You dropped the speed limit to 60 Km. when a concerned resident complained about speeders on the North Service Road which, has done nothing other than cause Tailgating of those following the rules. Look ahead planning seems to be something alien to you?

The new Three Towers that are to be built on the vacant corner of Green and Francis Road will, no doubt be populated by families currently living in Toronto who wish to move to a location where they have easy access to the QEW and Go Transport and, sell their current homes at the inflated price that currently exists. Burlington has built a Condo Building next to the Go Train station near Brant St, to capitalize on this. If this project goes ahead plus the 14 story building on the other side of Green Road then an access onto the QEW must be built at the end of Green Road preferably with a Roundabout to allow proper flow without resorting to traffic lights or stop signs. I brought these concerns up with Maria Pearson at a meeting, here in Stoney Creek at the municipal building, regarding the 14 story condo proposal meeting approx.. two months ago. At that time I asked her about the 50 story condo (at that time, that was the size and scope that was in the news) and its' affect on traffic. She, at that time said there had been no decision as to what was to be built and as such she and DeSantis Homes could only discuss the 14 story development and its' effect on traffic flow and parking in the area. As we discovered at the Planning meeting, Tuesday 14th. May, the decision had been made in 2010, 9 years ago (?), and had been grandfathered from previous decisions made before amalgamation with Hamilton. I, and most of the residents I have spoken to, feel the 'Bulldozers' have already started and, it's us, the taxpaying residents of this area who are being Bulldozed.

The meeting at the Hamilton Council Offices of 14th. May did nothing to dispel the fears of those present that the maximizing or, over populating of our area will continue without regard to the current residents. As a parting shot, Judi Partridge on the planning council thanked Maria Pearson for her diligence and her fair play for allowing the residents to be able to speak and be there as she said, " she didn't have to allow this". Apparently our local councilor was not up-to-date regarding the plans?. These are not Democratic principles especially from people who are paid, and therefore, ultimately works for the tax payers who pay their wages.

There should be a 'Statute Of Limitation' governing any decisions made so long ago and a totally new review done including all affected TAX PAYERS. As mentioned by others who have voiced their concerns, we need a moratorium on all further developments so that all approved (by Council) plans can be discussed with those affected.

You, the Hamilton Council, have made costly blunders in the past, for instance, the changing of two way streets to one in the downtown core of Hamilton at, great cost and inconvenience and

then, changing them back again when the idea was found to be bad again, at great cost and inconvenience. This is planning by mistakes and we, the Tax Payers foot the bill. This is going to happen again.

From two, of many, concerned residence at 500 Green Road.

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