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Subject: 310 Frances Avenue, Stoney Creek May 22nd Council Meeting

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To: clerk@hamilton.ca

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To the City Clerk:

NOTE: Please submit my letter into the May 22nd, 2019 council meeting agenda.

Dear Council and Planning Staff,

I am writing to ask you kindly to not permit the huge tower builds at 310 Francis Rd. I have lived in this neighbourhood for 9 years and have seen quite a bit of development happen, which I understand is part of living in a great neighbourhood like ours!

With many new recent builds, traffic is still manageable, our park is busy, but not too busy, finding street parking for guests is do-able, and we still have a friendly, local, neighbourhood feel.

This proposed development is of a scale that I cannot in any way believe is going to be good for our neighbourhood. The number of people and cars this development will bring into our neighbourhood is far above the carrying capacity of our infrastructure. Our two lane service road can't possibly handle this increase of traffic in a sustainable way, our, single, neighbourhood park will become over crowded, street parking will become a nightmare, and I'm so worried that we will lose our neighbourhood feel. Adding nearly 2000 new units on less than a city block of land, in a neighbourhood that has just undergone significant development with the addition of new low rise condos and mazes of townhouses across the street from this proposed site, is going to absolutely destroy our quality of life.

Nearly 2000 new units on my street (Green Rd) that is less than 3 city blocks long. The highway and the lake hem us in, and there simply is not the space to add 2000 units with their people and keep our neighbourhood functioning and friendly. If this was your street, would you be eager to have this happen? Please know that this neighbourhood is full of real people, with real families, who want to enjoy their friendly neighbourhood, have space to breathe and play at their local park, and be able to get to and from their homes with reasonable road:residents ratio infrastructure. We have accepted many recent developments with grace and been welcoming to our new neighbours. But this is going too far.

I've read that this development is justified because it will let travellers on the Qew know they have reached the Hamilton area. We already have the beautiful red hill valley bridge to do that. Other than making someone money, at the cost of the quality of life of its current residents, I do not see any benefit to our city and especially my neighbourhood in allowing this development to go forward.

I IMPLORE YOU TO STAND UP FOR MY NEIGHBOURHOOD by not allowing this development to happen.

Thank you for your consideration,
Christy Bloemendal
Resident, Francis & Green Rd