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Subject:

McMaster Student Residence, 1190 Main St. west: for Planning Cttee meeting Oct. 23.

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Subject: Re: McMaster Student Residence, 1190 Main St. west: for Planning Cttee meeting Oct. 23.

Dear Planning committee,

I would like to reiterate my concern regarding the major build planned by McMaster at this site to house over 1000 students. Many concerns have been identified by neighbours that highlight issues including parking, safety, size, impact on neighbourhood, and others. My concern is with regards to the environment and climate change.

Should this project not be assessed in terms of its carbon footprint to identify the carbon emissions used, both in the building process and in the embedded carbon emissions of the materials used? I feel it would be extremely irresponsible for the City/the Planning Committee to approve this project without that work being undertaken, given that the City has declared a climate emergency and that climate change is currently top of the political agenda Canada-wide.

I would urge you to stop the current application process until a determination of carbon emissions can be made and that this build can be considered in terms of it's relevance to these factors. Hopefully a more reasonably-sized and designed building plan may then emerge.

Renate Manthei, Westdale, Hamilton