

Attention: Legislative Coordinator, Planning Committee, City of Hamilton, Ontario

October 19, 2020

Re: File ZAC-18-029; UHOPA-18-11

Subject Property 1912 Rymal Road East, Glanbrook

My husband and I would like to again formally object to the second notice we received for the Zoning By-law Amendments (ZAC) and the Urban Hamilton Official Plan Amendment (UHOPA), allowing for the construction of a five-storey building for the following reasons:

1. Our backyard backs on to the pond at Rymal and Fletcher's Road and we feel that this is an invasion of our privacy to have a five-storey building with 92 units that will have a clear line of vision into our yard. We pay a lot of property taxes to have full enjoyment and privacy of our yard. It will create additional noise and litter from the occupants, visitors and contractors that service the building.
2. The increase of traffic (115 parking spaces) will dangerously strain an already overcrowded Rymal Road. With several schools and business's located nearby, which alone create heavy traffic, approval of this project means even more traffic from the persons that reside in the building, visitors to the building and contractors that service the building. This creates unsafe hazards for everyone but particularly for the children that live and go to school in the area. Traffic will also bottleneck at the nearby intersection creating additional hazards as people enter and leave the subject property.
3. There is a large daycare next door and it always concerns us when a large amount of people will be living next to an area where there are children. We worry about an increased chance of unsavoury occupants, visitors or contractors doing harm or taking pictures of vulnerable children as they play.
4. There is also wildlife that live in the stormwater pond at Rymal and Fletcher Road. They will have their surroundings upheaved and altered from the additional noise and litter the occupants, visitors and contractors that service the building will create.
5. Additionally, we cannot understand why the Planning Committee would take the time to make an Official Plan if all someone has to do is apply to amend it when the plan doesn't suit them. The Official Plan was made for a reason, stick to it please.
6. It also creates a blight on the sightline as there are no other buildings in the area that are of that height. The Eramosa Karst sits across from the proposed development, this will create a harmful impact on the Karst ecosystem.
7. There has been a steady increase of criminal activities in the Summit Park area without an increase of police presence. Having 92 units occupied, visitors that will visit these occupants and contractors that will service this property will only increase the need for more policing as potential for more crime will also increase.

We ask that the planning committee give serious consideration to these issues going forward as they will set a precedent for any future development.

Sincerely,

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