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Sent: May 13, 2021 7:42 AM

To: clerk@hamilton.ca

Subject: Carluke Community Centre

Good Morning,

I own/reside at ## Carluke road west, which is across the road from the community centre. I am writing with regards to the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment to rezone the Carluke Community Centre which would effectively remove the greenspace and playground equipment. I am very opposed to this happening for a number of reasons. The first and most important one is that we have 3 autistic sons who frequent the playground on a daily basis. It is a big part of their day to be able to go and swing. It provides them with necessary sensory stimulation and has become a big part of their routine daily. Removing the playground would have a detrimental effect on them. Second, our community is becoming younger and younger and families are moving in. This playground will be an integral part of all of these families lives as Carluke is somewhat removed from the rest of the city, and having access to a playground will be important for them as well.

As our community develops, especially in terms of offering services for adults/teens with special needs, I feel that this community centre can be put to much better use through programming for the community rather than changing into a residential property. Carluke is a community that is very giving and this centre is a key within that community.

Thank you for accepting my concerns.

Tricia Simons