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**Subject:** Comments re File: UHOPA-20-012 & ZAC-20-016.

To whom it may concern.

I am writing to you about the proposed multi-use space tower at Main and Cline. I was given your contact information through Maureen Wilson's office.

While I acknowledge the very real and immediate need to contribute to solving the housing crisis, and while multi-storey dwellings are undoubtedly positive in many respects, I do have some concerns with the proposed 15 Storey mixed use development to be built on the corner of Main St West, between Cline Avenue South and Dow Avenue. We have received Notice of Public Meeting of the Planning Committee File: UHOPA-20-012 & ZAC-20-O16.

Specifically, my concerns involve:

- parking
- traffic flow
- sewage

We live on \*\*\* Avenue, one block south of Main and Cline Avenue South, and parking has already become a problem, as the single family homes with parking for one or two cars have been filled with multiple students with multiple vehicles. As a result, the streets already have cars parked on both sides, all the time. There is currently one hour parking only, although it is not enforced. As a result, there is often traffic congestion on the street due to impassibility caused by illegal parking. Moreover, during the winter, snow plows were unable to properly plow the street due to all the parked cars. If this proposed building is undertaken, my concern is that there will not be adequate parking, resulting in more congestion and danger. There is a school and playground on Cline and Dow (The Hamilton Hebrew Academy), and as a result there are small children, and often caregivers in cars dropping off and picking up kids on these streets.

Furthermore, Cline Ave South is the portal of entry for westbound traffic to access much of the AinslieWood Neighbourhood. I would hope that this issue, and some proactive remedy to it is part of the planning, but if it has not been, I foresee tremendous traffic problems during construction.

Currently, I have reason to believe that the sewers in our neighbourhood are having difficulty with the capacity of the sewage, based on the smells emanating from them. Consequently, I cannot help but be concerned about the effect of adding a high rise building to the infrastructure. Are infrastructure updates part of the plan going forward?

Again, I want to reiterate that I understand the need for increased affordable housing, and I believe that this proposed construction could be a good idea in our neighbourhood, as long as parking, traffic flow, and infrastructure needs are properly planned for and dealt with.

Thanks so much for your time.

Cheers.

Gavin Barringer