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Sent: Monday, April 02, 2018 10:28 AM

To: Racco, Sandra < Sandra.Racco@vaughan.ca >

Cc: Bevilacqua, Maurizio < Maurizio. Bevilacqua@vaughan.ca >

Subject: Jaffari development

## Sandra:

I do share some of the concerns relating to the proposed Jaffari development, such as traffic congestion. However, I believe that the public benefits far outweigh such concerns. There is an overwhelming need for alternative housing in York Region, and I welcome this proposed addition to our neighbourhood.

Some people have expressed concern about the "exclusive" nature of the Jaffari development, but they do not raise similar concerns about the Yeshiva community. Sounds like a double standard to me.

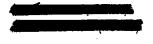
Although I see many benefits for mixed, inclusive communities, there are countless housing projects that cater to the specific needs of a particular ethnic or religious group, and I don't see why Muslims should be treated any differently.

I will not be able to attend the Council meeting on Wednesday, so I wanted to express my support for the Jaffari project ahead of time.

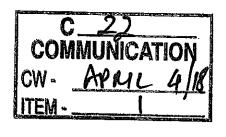
Thank you for listening!

Mark

Mark McAlister Resident, Hesperus Village



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<<u>Cindy.Furfaro@vaughan.ca</u>> **Subject:** Re: Jaffari development

Thanks Sandra. That would be fine.

Mark

On Mon, 2 Apr 2018, 10:38 p.m. Racco, Sandra, <<u>Sandra.Racco@vaughan.ca</u>> wrote:

Thank you Mr. McAlister for your e-mail and comments.

I would like to, with your permission, copy our City Clerk so that your e-mail can be included with the communications for this particular file.

Please let me know if that would be okay with you.

Thank you and have a wonderful week!!!

Sandra Poung Racco, B. Mus.Ed., A.R.C.T.

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