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Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2014 11:36 PM
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Cc: DevelopmentPlanning@vaughan.ca; Furfaro, Cindy
Subject: Objection to Proposed Development: OP.13.013 and Z.13.0.36 Location: 9000 Bathurst Street - West side of Bathurst Street, south of Rutherford Applicant: Islamic Shia Ithna-Asheri Jamaat of Toronto

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To Whom this May Concern,

We are a residents of Vaughan and strongly oppose the Applications #OP.13.013 and # Z.13.036 submitted to The City of Vaughan Council/Committee for re-zoning and re-development of property at 9000 Bathurst St.

We and more than 2000 other local community members (see attached online petition)

<http://www.petitionbuzz.com/petitions/9000bathurst> hereby petition the City of Vaughan Planning Committee to refuse the application for the huge re-development of the above lands and development of 2 high rise buildings due to the following main reasons:

1. Plan Incompatibility with Low Rise Community: The proposed plan is incompatible with our current low-density community, the original neighborhood plan never included high-density residential and this plan is steering the area on a course it wasn't designed for.
2. Traffic Congestion – Our neighborhood and streets surrounding the proposed zoning area are already abnormally riddled with traffic jams and noise. That section of Bathurst is constantly bumper to bumper traffic and approving a development to house thousands of new residents would seriously overload our neighborhood's roads. Adding thousands of new residents would be a traffic and safety nightmare on our roads.
3. Overcrowding and Safety– We are shocked to see how many developments including townhomes; single homes were already approved in such a small area and oppose further developing of #OP.13.013 and # Z.13.036. There are too many proposed residences in this plan and I do not feel safe with adding thousands of new residents into the neighborhood from a traffic perspective, safety services access, and utilities services access.
4. Environmental Concerns – The proposed area is right along some of the most beautiful wetlands along the Don River and when we walk by it such a nice relief from the suburban sprawl and traffic to gaze away from Bathurst and see some actual wildlife and foliage. We do not believe building two massive eye sore condos along that river is a environmentally responsible idea.

We wholeheartedly support retention of existing zoning and strongly oppose this proposed development.

Regards,

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