

Public Meeting speaking

Hunchul Park [REDACTED] Hart Rd saskatoon 306-[REDACTED]

Hello.

My name is Hunchul Park.

I am living in the Hartford Green Townhouse, which is facing a proposed rezoning plan.

When I first heard about the rezoning plan, my neighbours and I were very angry and worried for the impacts that would come with the proposed buildings.

After the public meeting, I researched more about the City of Saskatoon and Camponi Housing's site plan and rendering view. I sent many emails and calls to the city development planner but did not receive a satisfactory answer.

What I'm the most concerned is the **safety** of the current residents as well as the future residents of the rezoning area in the case of an unforeseen emergency.

If the proposal gets approved and a 4-story building 6 meters in front of my house caught on fire, the fire could easily spread to me and my neighbours. Even if we were stuck on the 2nd floor, we would have to jump out of the house to evacuate. However, is it easy for future residents to evacuate in the fire?

On the east side of the 6 proposed buildings is the Hartford Green Townhouses, a lake is on the west side, the Parkridge Extension House area is on the south and the north is surrounded by their institutional and office buildings. If the 3rd or 4th floor exit was surrounded by fire, the only option is evacuation through the other side window, but due to the present houses, lake and surrounding the buildings, it is impossible for rescue trucks or firefighters to access for the evacuation of residents from the outside.

Furthermore, children or seniors are especially at risk because if they are unable to jump from the high window, they could face long-term damage to the lungs or any other injuries, or even death from being stuck inside a building full of smoke and fire.

To compare to the rest of the Blairmore community apartments, all the more than 4th floor apartments are surrounded by roads that make it easier for first responders to access the affected area in the case of an emergency.

Proposed rezoning area is not appropriate for the high story residential buildings and institutional buildings. It is narrow and not easy to access in case of emergency.

Another important concern that current residents and future residents have is **traffic and pedestrian safety**.

The two entrance roads of the proposed area are both connected to Hart Road.

Hart Road is the only road that leads to Tommy Douglas Collegiate, Bethlehem Catholic High School and the Shaw Centre. We need to focus on many young inexperienced student drivers and lots of people who go to Tim Hortons for their coffee in the school time and home time. They already make traffic busy and dangerous. Unfortunately, the entrance road will be across Hart rd from Tim Hortons entrance road.

Furthermore, Kensington area is getting bigger. More students and people will pass to go to school, Shaw center and Tim hortons.

I can not understand traffic specialist said it would be no impact of rezoning plan.

Camponi Housing can not provide enough parking lot because of narrow area, and they recommended future residents use bus at the public meeting. And then, Where is bus stop?. Unfortunately, bus stop is in front of Tim Hortons. Future residents must cross Hart rd against students vehicle and vehicle for Tim Hortons to get the bus. They might be in dangerous and unsafe situation.

This area of the proposal is not an ideal nor safe area for high-density residential buildings and huge commercial and institutional buildings for these reasons.

For the safety of our current and future community members, we ask that you consider rejecting this rezoning plan.

Thank you for your time and consideration.