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To His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

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Name of the organization or agency you are representing (if applicable) Caswell Hill Community Association

Subject Proposed Bylaw Changes - Infill Housing Regulations

Meeting (if known) Public Hearing Tuesday May 26th

Comments

To Council:

We request the opportunity to have a representative of our community association speak at the Public Hearing re the proposed changes to the Zoning Bylaw, by Zoom, if possible. Please let us know. Otherwise we will try and be in person. Please connect with our civics rep listed on this email. Otherwise, here are some quick comments.

We have concerns about the proposed zoning bylaw changes.

We ask Council to be very thoughtful re zoning bylaw changes proposed in the core communities. Please do not see this as the immediate or long term fix alone to growing our city up. While we know some of the bylaw changes can and should occur, proposed zoning changes need to be sympathetic to the historic sense of place(s) that have been created in the core - that are by their nature, more mixed in use and more flexed development-wise.

We see in the proposed zoning bylaw, changes that appear to downplay the historic value of these neighbourhoods.

As another perspective, as we shared in engagement sessions, how about thinking of how zoning can be altered to

create more mixed use opportunities in intermediate and suburban areas first and not always coming to our neighbourhoods to be further and further impacted.

With a new arena, and other proposed changes in play downtown, and plenty of lands and buildings available for reuse in the downtown and in the south of our community (busbarns) we need to be thinking how to create the best of neighbourly relations, not just opening our zoning up to quash the good neighbourhoods that are already in place and working toward betterment.

The historic qualities of our neighbourhoods needs to be respected. Sympathetic infill should not be about covering more of the earth and trying to pack more people in. Many of the core neighbourhoods are deficit of green space and common space.

We ask for thoughtful approaches and incentives used to enhance distinct senses of place that honour our lands, our culture, and the historic built forms and new forms to come that can complement such.

We do ask Council to think of other neighbourhood's backyards, sideyards and frontyards too outside the core. Surely they too need to flex and adapt.

We encourage the City to be looking moreso at creating better policies and programs where residents and businesses in historic areas are provided incentives and abatements for retaining, maintaining and upgrading efforts.

Further discussions to such ends are most welcome.

For consideration.

Attachments

Will you be submitting a video to be vetted prior to council meeting? No