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Good morning,

I am a resident of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] directly backs onto this new development in question. I am unfortunately unable to attend tonight's meeting, but do have some concerns and questions.

My concerns and questions regarding the proposed development:

1. The location of the garage and recycling for the building. The location backs directly onto three residential properties. Is this location able to be located elsewhere on the property? So, the smell and noise are not disturbing current residential properties?
2. The lights for the parking and building. What is the height of the lights that are being proposed? The development is backing onto three properties who are not used to having anyone behind them. Are they able to ensure they are lower, so they are not shining directly into family homes at night?
3. The current state of vegetation. There are numerous trees of significant maturity on that property. Are the plans to clear cut the entire location? My concern is that they will not be replaced to the same extent. The majority of this neighbourhood has matured trees, which provide privacy but also natural habitats for wildlife and pollinators. There are foxes and deer in this area, as well as numerous bird species. What happens to these animals?? The vegetation provides natural corridors for them to move around safely. What also happens to the current resident's privacy and views.
4. The vegetation backing into neighboring backyards. Will these be replaced to ensure the residents' privacy, and maintaining naturalized habitats that are existing? As the community space backs directly onto two properties. What are the plans in regards to noise, garage and privacy? The back fence lines of the resident's property have numerous trees and shrubs, and private gardens. As well as shaded play areas for families and relaxation.
5. Fencing - what fencing is proposed and is there room for adjustments? All three properties that this development backs onto have dogs. Not only for privacy are fences important, but also for the animals. Individuals constantly at our fence lines, will have a huge impact on the families who currently live here and undue stress on the animals.
6. Retaining wall - the parking lot backs directly onto a resident's backyard. Is a retaining wall able to be built to provide some privacy? The lights and noise from the parking lot will be significant with the amount of parking spots and units proposed.
7. The currently Plaza beside the proposed development. The noise and lights from the Plaza are reduced by the vegetation surrounding all the properties. How will this change?

8. The number of units being proposed. My concern is the noise level that comes with that many families in a tight location. Especially with the communal space directly against current resident's backyard.

I do understand the city's ultimate goal to provide more housing for the surrounding areas, especially by infilling in areas that can support multi residential dwellings. The current plans that are available for view have numerous concerning aspects that I am hoping can be worked through with the residents that currently back onto this development. In hopes to allow for a more seamless process. These concerns should be addressed prior to approval. Privacy and natural ecosystems play a huge role in why residents of West Galt love living here, my hope is that council will not forget that.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and considering my unease about the proposed development.

Rebecca Murphy

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