Arlene Bildstein

Correspondence

I am an owner of unit 1201 at the Kressview Condominiums located at 237 King St West in Cambridge.

This is in regards to the above proposal to build 3 high rise units in regards to the File # mentioned above.

I plan to attend the virtual meeting being held on Sept. 28/2021 but would like to voice my concerns via this email prior to that date.

I understand growth in our community is important, however I have a very serious concern in regards to the driveways leading into and out on to King street. As it is stands now it is extremely hard to exit from our building to King street turning right or left, although left is virtually impossible during peak traffic times. Not only do we have to watch for cars and pedestrians, there are 3 lanes of traffic we have to cross over to make a left hand turn. No vehicles adhere to the "Do Not Block Driveway" sign. Cars do not have the ability to see oncoming traffic until we pull out onto the sidewalk crossover to the road. Cyclists quite often ride their bikes on the sidewalk coming from the Fountain street hill at speeds that make it virtually impossible to see until they are upon you, this would not allow them or the driver to stop in time, Our obstruction to view traffic and cyclists is severely compromised, and that I have a huge issue with. We are talking about increasing odds of having someone hit, and or even killed with the conditions we are presently asked to enter and exit our home.

If you look at the #'s with approximately 144 units in our building and a possible 600 more units added to the same space the number of vehicles is staggering considering the addition volume of traffic to one small intersection in Cambridge.

From what I understand there is going to be another entrance/exit onto Fountain street to elleviate some of the flow, however considering of the amount of traffic that comes down that Fountain hill is also extremely heavy. Making a left hand turn would be very difficult as well.

I think the only solution to the very very serious issue is to have traffic lights installed to allow the owner/residence a chance to feel more at ease and not concerned so much about entering onto our roads. It goes without saying that safety should always be the #1 priority.

Although I am not happy about these buildings being done, this is my only major concern at this point.

please email me back to let me know you have received this email.

thank you and have a good day!