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To the members of Kitchener Council,

It cannot be stressed enough that all parties need to face compromises when we are faced with a remarkable growth in the number of residents in general and those who need affordable housing in particular.

Considerations include the city's plan for the LRT and its future serving of those who live close enough to be able to use it for work and life movement. Many of those who need to be close to easy transit are in need of affordable housing - and housing that offers them a decent standard of living.

If we want Kitchener to be a place where people want to live not only for its economic opportunities but also for its livability then there has to be developments that provide options for all who wish to live along the LRT line.

Allowing developers to have no expectations or few expectations to provide this type of housing with the inclusionary zoning proposed by council will result in maximum profit for them while not helping to meet the need.

It is understood that land has been purchased prior to the introduction of the concept of inclusionary zoning but as stated - there must be compromises made in order to meet the needs of all residents for housing as much as possible.

Please consider working to pass "Inclusionary Zoning" that works to satisfy Kitchener resident needs.

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