

Dianna Sauderson

From: Growing Together (SM)
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2024 4:09 PM
To: Clerks (SM)
Cc: Growing Together (SM)
Subject: Fwd: Growing Together

Hi,

Please see the below email requested to be circulated to Mayor and Council as part of the Growing Together item at Council on March 18.

Natalie

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From: Sam Head <samh@dsh.ca>
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2024 4:03:20 PM
To: Growing Together (SM) <GrowingTogether@kitchener.ca>
Cc: andrewh@dsh.ca <andrewh@dsh.ca>
Subject: Growing Together

Hi Natalie.

We support the request of Pierre Chauvin MHBC. The whole block Cedar St, N. Duke Street , Weber Street and Scott Street should be designated and zoned to permit higher densities.

I have owned the property at 54 Cedar street North since 1985. It has been the home of our Planning Consulting Office, Dryden Smith and Head Planning Consultants Ltd. since that time.

Since 1985 the Market District idea has not developed as proposed, I have seen a few offices move into the area since 1985.

The Kitchener Farmers market is struggling to stay afloat. Operating a few hours on Saturday. The City has had a difficult time renting out the commercial spaces.

Maybe these could be assigned as affordable housing.

If the City is serious about providing housing how about making it possible,

Simple solution- Designated the subject block for High Rise Residential development and zoned it accordingly.

We were part of a group to develop a number of these properties but the idea at that time was rejected by the City.

So now is the appropriate time to make the changes,

Unfortunately I will be out of the Country next week and unable to appear at the meeting,

Please pass on my comments to member of council and keep me advised of any decision made on these applications.

Samuel Head
Dryden Smith and Head