

## Craig Dumart

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**From:** Wanda West  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 17, 2024 9:19 PM  
**To:** Craig Dumart; Debbie Chapman  
**Subject:** 459- 509 Mill street

Hi Craig and Debbie!

I received the flyer about the condominiums going up on Mill Street. We live at :

And while this property is not in my backyard, they are very close and we do travel, walk, run and bike down Mill street on a daily basis.

I'm sorry that I wasn't able to attend the meetings in regard to this application. However, I do have a few concerns about the development being built on Mill street as it is close to our home.

First, I'm not loving the height and number of stories of these buildings. I feel like they will be towering over our neighborhood. I truly don't feel like these buildings belong in a single dwelling/low rise neighbourhood. It seems that the buildings will be on a condensed parcel of land. The buildings will be butting right up against Mill and the back of the property against the ION station. I can't imagine the noise that impacts this site.

Secondly, Since there are 5 buildings of 21 or more stories, that is a lot of people, cars and congestion that will be added to our community. Mill is a two-way street and is only able to be accessed from the West on Ottawa street and turning east onto it from Mill. There are plenty of cars that do abide by this and others that pull a u-turn onto Ottawa in order to get to Mill street or back on to Ottawa street. Not to mention the corner of Mill and Courtland is probably one of the most dangerous corners to turn onto or cross to Bedford. We have personally witnessed accidents among cars and pedestrians along here.

And finally, having so many more people in the neighbourhood also brings concerns of safety. Having one's own home does have a greater feeling of taking care of the property and ownership. What type of security system, lighting etc will be put in place? I can't presume that every person who owns one of these condos will own a car and thus will be using transit and/or have a bike/ebike/scooter. These items are far more susceptible to being stolen. And what we don't need in the neighbourhood is more incentive for people to know that there are bikes that could be stolen and thus begin to wander throughout the neighbourhood looking for others. What measures are put in place to secure any type of bicycle parking in the buildings? It worries me that we will have to continually be more aware of the comings and goings of people in our community.

While we understand the need for more housing in our community, our greatest concerns are with the number of units/buildings, the congestion and the security that this particular application will bring to our community.

Many thanks for the opportunity to share our concerns.

Wanda