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Hi there,

I am emailing to provide comments on the recent proposal for redevelopment at 96 wood street.

Although I understand the city's need for intensification within major transit station areas, this section of the Cherry Park neighbourhood is a unique family neighbourhood with an important cultural heritage. More and more, developers have been purchasing homes in the neighbourhood with the intent to tear them down. Personally, my elderly neighbour's home was purchased by a developer who intends to put up town homes in my backyard, something that would maybe make sense if there weren't existing family homes on all sides of the property. As with the home at 96 Wood, I feel strongly that this type of development will have a significant negative impact on the neighbourhood.

It is my view that the building height should adhere to the current 11m limit to preserve what we can of the neighbourhood's character. I'm not sure why the requests of a developer would supersede bylaw that citizens and community members need to adhere to.

Further, the neighbour already lacks in street parking due to the proximity to the hospital. Currently, most street parking in the neighbourhood is limited to 2 hours, and there is no parking during the winter. Parking is already a challenge for many, as these heritage homes have limited space for this.

I am also concerned about the potential for trees to be removed in the neighbourhood. The beauty of the neighbourhood will be significantly impacted by this. Please ensure that any plans for development include provisions about maintaining trees or replacing them if maintaining them is not possible.

Thank you, Isabelle