From:

To: Sean Harrigan; Committee of Adjustment (SM)

Subject: Opposition to Proposed 8-Unit Development at 96 Wood Street

Date: Tuesday, September 10, 2024 1:26:15 PM

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Dear Sean,

I am writing to formally express my opposition to the proposed 8-unit development at 96 Wood Street. Having lived on Wood Street for over 20 years, I believe this development will significantly impact the character and livability of our neighborhood.

First, the height of the proposed building exceeds the bylaw's limit and does not align with the "cultural heritage landscape" of the area. I request that the city and the Committee respect the bylaw's 11-meter height restriction to maintain the neighborhood's charm and consistency with existing properties.

Additionally, the current parking situation is already strained in our area. I have attached several photos illustrating the congestion on Wood and York Streets, as well as Wood and Mt. Hope Streets, where cars regularly fill the streets. Hospital employees frequently park in our 2-hour time-limited spaces, and the addition of eight more units will only exacerbate this issue. Also included is a photo of garbage bins from a current multi-unit building on York Street, which highlights the kind of clutter that could worsen with further development.

Moreover, many residents have invested significantly in their homes to maintain and improve property values in this area. A large multi-unit rental development like this would likely decrease the value of our homes, undermining the investments we have made in our properties.

While I understand the city's goal for intensification near major transit stations, I believe this development is too intensive for our area and will negatively affect the existing infrastructure, neighborhood character, and property values.

I respectfully ask that the Committee take these concerns into serious consideration and deny the request for the proposed development.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Best regards,

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Michele Grieco







