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To: Committee of Adjustment (SM)

Subject: Proposed redevelopment of an 8-unit rental building at 96 Wood Street.

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To whom it may concern,

As a resident of close to 30 years on Wood Street, I am writing with concern re the new proposed redevelopment of the rental property at this location and that the building height be restricted to the bylaw's 11-meter limit. The proposed building height does not fit within the character of the neighborhood at the current height proposed.

Considerations of materials and designs (e.g., brick finish, front porches) that better integrate with the neighborhood would also be required from the developer, as well as a landscaping plan to replace any trees that are removed. This would help preserve the natural beauty of the area.

Parking over the years has become a greater concern on York and the surrounding streets. These streets are already overwhelmed, especially if non-residents (e.g., hospital staff/visitors) are parking there. These streets, with their restricted 2-hour parking have been causes for ticketing of these hospital employees and/or visitors. Additional units would strain the situation further. York Street tends to be a busy street between Glasgow and Union and the width of this street is greatly reduced with parking along the side creating dangerous blind spots for any traffic entering from any of the perpendicular streets (particularly Wood Street) See attached photos.

As a homeowner and city resident, I am aware of the city's need for intensification within major transit station areas (defined as within 800 meters of the ION) but would request that the city and the committee respect the "cultural heritage landscape" of the area. Thank you.

Regards.

James and Andrea Weber Steckly

