

Wednesday, March 1, 2017

Ms. Bonnie Ainsworth
Councillor, Ward 1

Dear Ms Ainsworth,

The owners of 37 Johnson Street have applied to the city to build an 11 storey building with over 200 units on the property which already has a building of the same size.

This is the third time that this application has been made over a number of years. The council each time had the understanding that this proposal was not a good idea and it was turned down.

We are writing again to appeal to your good insights to turn this application down.

First of all we invite you to come to view the site. If you walk along Indian Arrow Road from Johnson Street, you will see the lack of care for the back of the property. This area is never cleared of leaves in the fall, litter is everywhere, shrubs and trees are never trimmed so pedestrians have difficulty walking on the sidewalk. You will also see that the fence is in great need of being repaired or replaced.

Then walk from Indian Arrow to Johnson Street. Look at the front of the building where there are mature trees. All these trees are going to be cut down to accommodate more parking spaces which their plan needs.

When you turn from Johnson to walk along Campfire Court you will see over grown trees which need to be pruned and in the court itself you will see the berm which has become virtually free of grass but replaced with weeds and bare patches of soil. The berm itself was to be built so the residents on Campfire could not see into the parking lot. That has never happened. The point being made here is that outside maintenance has never been a priority to the owners. If you walk onto the property, observe the garbage and recycling containers. What an eyesore for all residents to see. The question is how are they going to maintain two building with as little care?

From: Elaine McCron
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 4:46 PM
To: Bonnie Ainsworth
Cc: Celeste Terry
Subject: Johnson St.

Good Afternoon Bonnie,

I agree that to overload the current balance with residential densities in excess of those envisioned through the Official Plan policies would be very inappropriate. I believe it would not constitute good neighbourhood planning and would not be in accordance with the intent of the Official Plan.

Proposing 414 apartments and only 423 Parking Spaces would I believe not be reasonable, only one parking spot for each unit and 9 guest parking spaces does not seem adequate today when most couples have two cars.

The city is promoting Johnson Beach as a neighbourhood Beach for the new neighbourhoods between Steel St. and Georgian Drive. This has resulted in higher levels of pedestrian traffic mostly young people walking to the Beach along Johnson St. past the high rise apartments currently on this street in the Spring, Summer and Fall. The added vehicle traffic from these units would put the many pedestrians both young and seniors using this corner of Blake and Johnson St. in added danger. Both the young children from Johnson St. School, seniors from Barrie Manor and the seniors currently residing in the existing apartment buildings who cross the road to do grocery shopping would all be put in additional peril if there are more cars added to this already busy section of our neighbourhood.

I hope this plan to overload this little already busy corner/ part of our neighbourhood is not approved.

Regards,

Elaine McCron.

When you walk up the driveway on Campfire Court you will notice this is the only exit other than the front exit on Johnson Street for double the number of cars leaving the buildings. With this proposal the property may have the potential to house almost a thousand people in the two buildings.

Our small community bordered by the lake and Blake Street with detached family homes is surrounded already with a variety of different densities including three high rises, a plaza, a three storey complex, two senior complexes, three townhouse complexes, low income townhouses and with more density to come now that Sophie's Restaurant has been sold and the two buildings beside it are also for sale.

While we believe all communities should have a variety of mixed dwellings, we believe our small area is saturated now.

We urge you to consider encouraging new growth in the areas designated to more density such as along Bradford Street.

Thank you for taking the time to read about our concerns regarding this application and we hope you will not vote for this project.

Regards,

Gary and Jennifer Campbell
Barrie

From: Gmail]
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2017 4:10 PM
To: Bonnie Ainsworth
Subject: Proposed development 37 Johnson Street

Dear Bonnie:
Please circulate and forward this letter to the following:
The Office of the Mayor, Jeff Lehman
The General Committee, c/o Bonnie Ainsworth Ward 1 Councillor
Celeste Terry, Development Planner
Dawn McAlpine, City Clerk and Director

My name is Nadine Saunders and I live with my husband Scott Saunders and son Galbraith at _____ since 2012 in the City of Barrie.

This letter is in opposition, for the second time since 2013, to any amendments to the Official Plan and wholly to the proposed development by Starlight Investments, and Owner at 37 Johnson Street, known as Imperial Towers Apartments.

As you are aware, a proposal for a second building was proposed in 2002 and denied by City staff and former Mayor Jim Perri and in 2013 the owner applied for minor variances for building height and parking variances which were deferred by The Committee of Adjustment as a Site Plan application had not been submitted. The building was sold soon after.

I am strongly opposed to this second application for any further amendments to assist in approval of any development on the existing property for the below reasons.

This is not in a designated Intensification area or Urban Growth Centre within the City of Barrie. This property is not on a major corridor, but rather in an established neighbourhood directly in sight of single family dwellings.

The existing building as documented does not currently conform to several zoning by-laws including required parking spaces, buffers, height of building, etc. The proposed second building will require countless amendments to the zoning bylaws and the Official Plan. The proposed building does not conform to the Official Plan. It does not fit in to the surrounding single family homes and established neighbourhood.

The density would exceed significantly and again, require several by-laws to be amended. These by-laws are in place to control over density and produce good planning and development throughout the City for the residents and taxpayers. Any approval of ANY further development or building of ANY size would be in conflict with the City Official Plan and its mission statement to enforce bylaws to ensure smart planning and quality of life for residents.

Shadowing, site lines, building height, parking, buffers, lot size and density, gross floor area, perimeter yards, storm drainage, preservation of trees and wildlife, would all be grossly in conflict with the City by-laws.

This property would cause serious consequences for traffic to Johnson's beach, adjoining residential streets, and Blake Street, especially every weekend summer and winter as cars are currently lined along our curbs.

The community would be subject to years of construction. The vehicles would likely be granted permits for street parking, and would be along Indian Arrow, Campfire Court and Johnson Street daily, noise, pollution, and a general nuisance to everyone living near and around it.

This proposal or proposal to ANY additional buildings on the property is completely out of context or smart planning for this already dense area of other high rises, mid rises, town homes, walk ups and condos. I understand a need for housing, but trying to fit 222 units and an 11 storey building on the proposed site is ridiculous. There will be further developments on Blake Street in the future, which is a major corridor.

The traffic count and shadowing studies were insufficient and poorly conducted by the owner. The numbers provided for existing parking, gross floor areas are not accurate, as pointed out at the neighbourhood meeting.

We are concerned also that if we or any residents in the proximity of this will be forced to sell their homes due to death, illness, job relocation or loss, they will not be able to do so or find it difficult at the time of construction or thereafter, as this will reduce our property values in an established neighbourhood though we continue to suffer increasing property taxes, almost 20% in five years to date. It will change the quality of life as we know it in this lakeside community.

The preservation of the beach, waterfront, environment, adjoining forest and park, and Lake Simcoe watershed are important to us, and the thought of having this approved after moving here and selling two wonderful family homes to be part of this established community is disturbing.

I am very concerned that we have been subjected to this again, and for many a third time. There should be a limit regardless of change of ownership on ability to apply for ANY further development on a property within a set number of years.

The only benefit to this would be for the owner to profit, without any concern for the City, its bylaws, residents and taxpayers, or appropriate planning.

I thank you for perusing my concerns and only hope that it assists City staff in making the right Planning decision for this proposal. I sincerely hope that it is not recommended for approval.

Sincerely,

Nadine Saunders

Wednesday, April 12,, 2017



To the City of Barrie, City Hall
Dawn McAlpine
City Clerk/Director Legislative Court Services

Dear Dawn:

Enclosed are petitions totalling 428 signatures by residents of Ward 1 and various areas throughout the City of Barrie to date who are strongly opposed to any approvals for Official Plan Amendment 4.2.2.3 (c) of the Official Plan and amendment to the City of Barrie Zoning Bylaw 2009-141 for site specific Special Provisions, and for the proposed Starlight Investments proposed development or any additional building at 37 Johnson Street, Imperial Towers Registered Plan 1648, Block B.

Please send a confirmation of receipt of this petition to my email at:

Thank you! Please feel free to contact me at anytime if you have any questions.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nadine Saunders", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Nadine Saunders

PETITION ATTACHED! SAY NO!
ATTEND Barrie City Council Public
Meeting MON. APRIL 24, 7p.m.

The owner, D.D., Starlight Investments, 37
Johnson St. IMPERIAL TOWERS HAS SUBMITTED AN
APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENTS TO THE OFFICIAL PLAN TO
BUILD AN ADDITIONAL L shaped 11 storey, 222 unit building
on the existing property! Indian Arrow Rd.off Johnson St.



SAVE OUR NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY from
OVER INTENSIFICATION! SEND LETTERS
OPPOSING!

PLEASE SHARE, COPY, AND SIGN!

So far over 300 residents have opposed by signing the PETITION attached. This is in conflict with the City of Barrie Official Plan, Urban Growth Strategy, zoning by-laws, tall building height restrictions, designated intensification areas and would be over 200% of allowed gross floor area

PLEASE VOICE YOUR CONCERNS...WRITE A LETTER OF OPPOSITION ASAP to the BELOW City of Barrie Staff

Bonnie.Ainsworth@barrie.ca

Ward 1 Councillor 705-726-4242

Celeste.Terry@barrie.ca

Development Planner, City of Barrie 705-726-4242

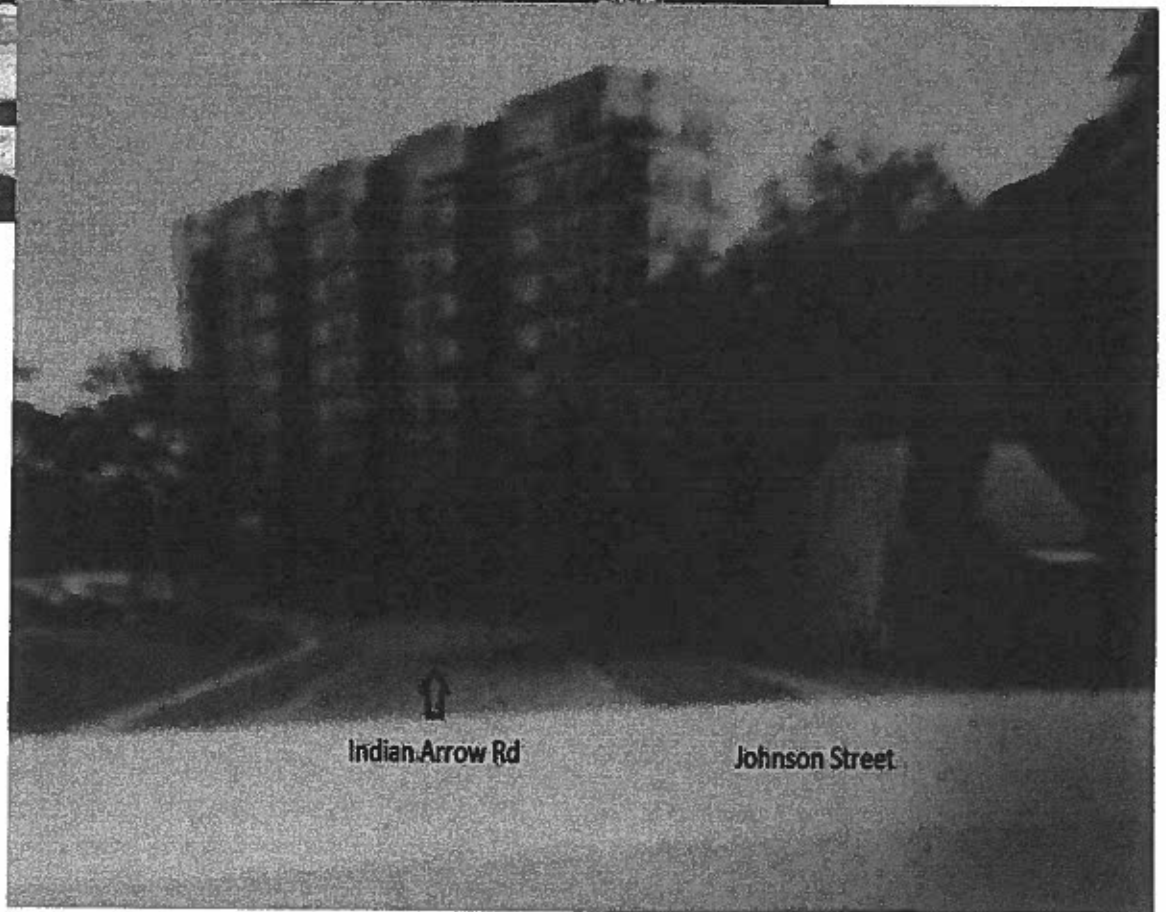
please drop off signed petition or call for info or pick up

Jim Cancilla

Nadine Saunders

PETITION

Please call, share, sign, Save North Shore!
The owner, D.D. of 37 Johnson Street is proposing to build an additional 220 unit 11 storey building on the existing property!



The PROPOSED L-shaped building would run along Indian Arrow, then south beside Shoreview Park and woods.

This is in conflict with the City of Barrie Official Plan as well as by-laws, zoning, parking requirements, height restrictions, shadowing, designated intensification areas, quality of life for existing residents and many more.

if you would like further information on planning, zoning etc. go to www.barrie.ca Official Plan, zoning and bylaw, planning and development.

Nadine Saunders

Jim Cancilla

A letter was sent to residents within 240 meters of the property. There is a neighbourhood meeting scheduled ^{Done} for ~~FEBRUARY 22~~ with the planning dept. and applicant at 7 p.m. city Hall, Huronia Rooms, 2nd Floor.

This petition will not be presented at the above neighbourhood meeting. It will be retained for future.

Please call, copy and email above contacts for information. We will pick up signed petitions or drop them off at

above. *send letters to: Bonnie.Ainsworth@barrie.ca
+ to Planning & Development Celeste.Terry@barrie.ca*

Please voice your concerns to Bonnie Ainsworth ward 1 Councillor bainsworth@barrie.ca or call City Hall at 795-726-4242

PETITION

Whereas RESIDENTS of the City of Barrie, strongly oppose to any further development or building on the existing property known as Registered Plan 1648, Block B, 37 Johnson Street, Imperial Towers, Barrie, Ontario.

We, the undersigned petition any amendments to the Official Plan for the proposed development and any applications by the owner of the above property in the City of Barrie for an ADDITIONAL 222 UNIT 11 STOREY APARTMENT BUILDING AND UNDERGROUND PARKING

SAY NO! COPY AND SHARE! SAVE NORTH SHORE!

NEGATIVE IMPACT will be an over-intensified property not in a designated intensification area, deficient parking spaces, increased traffic flow and parking on adjoining and adjacent streets, excessive height above restrictions, shadowing and blocking of views of sky and shoreline, construction, pollution, increased storm drainage to Johnsons beach, removal of many existing trees, negative effect on environment and Shoreview woods/park, property values, **NUMEROUS BY-LAW AND OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENTS would be required!**

PLEASE send letters of opposition by mail or email to

Bonnie.Ainsworth@barrie.ca Ward 1 councillor,

Celeste.Terry@barrie.ca Development Planner

ATTEND PUBLIC COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 24TH 7 P.M.

PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL Nadine Saunders

Jim Cancilla

for pick up or information

86 signatures attached to this petition submitted to the Legislative and Court Services Office on April 12, 2017.

PETITION

TO THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE

WHEREAS RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF BARRIE STRONGLY OPPOSE TO ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OR BUILDING ON THE EXISTING PROPERTY KNOW AS IMPERIAL TOWERS 37 JOHNSON STREET, BARRIE, ONTARIO.

WE the undersigned, petition any further development and THE PROPOSED APPLICATION BY the owner D.D., as listed on the official notice from Planning and building services, City of Barrie at 37 Johnson Street, Barrie Ontario

OPPOSE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AT 37 Johnson Street Barrie, Ontario. of any additional building on Reg. plan 1648, block B. **NEGATIVE IMPACT** will be deficient parking spaces, exceed tall building height restrictions, much increased traffic flow, exceed gross floor area, significantly increased parked cars on adjoining and side streets and courts and Johnson beach area, years of construction, shadowing effects on neighboring homes, noise, high population density, deficient side and rear lots, deficient perimeter buffers such as fencing, pollution, negative effects on environment, Shoreview woods, wildlife and park, property value, quality of life, drainage, snow removal etc.

342 signatures attached to this petition submitted to the Legislative and Court Services Office on April 12, 2017.

From:

Sent: Monday, April 03, 2017 5:47 PM

To: Bonnie Ainsworth

Subject: 37 Johnson St

Good afternoon Ms. Ainsworth.

We appreciate that the city needs to consider all applications, so this proposal must come forward to receive its due consideration, however we are trusting in our system to consider the implications rather than approve this proposal. There is risk that when a proposal just keeps coming forward, eventually, people will give up the fight and approve it despite the negative implications. There is also risk that the city will approve to support their goal of adding affordable rental housing in Barrie. Neither of these reasons are appropriate rationale to approve in this case and we sincerely hope this will not be approved. We appreciate the leadership you are taking to ensure that does not happen.

Although there will be temporary disruption for building, our concern is not that. Our concerns are as follows:

* Neighbourhood density: Johnson is a very busy street populated with residential buildings, commercial buildings, a public school, a seniors care facility, a public beach and private yacht club and access to a public walkway.

At any given time of day or year, you will find cars parked along the lower end of Johnson St. Seniors and school age children walk this street frequently during the day. Adding more cars to the neighbourhood increases the risk of traffic and pedestrian mishaps.

* Traffic on Indian Arrow: Indian Arrow and Algonquin are residential family neighbourhoods with a park where small children play. Having over 500 more cars come and go throughout the day--often when kids and seniors are walking to school or No Frills--will add real safety concerns. We also suspect that families will no longer feel the park is a safe play space for their children with the neighbourhood density and character changing so much.

* Parking: adding another multi residential building AND reducing the parking space requirements will surely increase the number of cars parked along the street AND will definitely increase the number of cars coming/going from that block.

* Parking spot requirements: the city has set requirements for parking spots for multi residential buildings. Why would they/should they reduce that requirement to accommodate this request? The requirements were set based on sound rationale.

To reduce it for this building will be a slippery slope as the city will face arguments from other builders for the same accommodation. Although we all need to be environmental conscious, the reality is that Barrie is a driving city--thereby requiring a place to park the cars. Without that, they will park on the street which is already congested with cars from the neighbourhood and existing building at 37 Johnson.

* Variety of residential options already in the east end: the last time this request came forward, Sam Cancilla did an admirable job of 'walking' city council through our neighbourhood as he described the variety of living options already in place here. We trust those comments would be captured in the minutes.

Since that time, two more large multi residential complexes have been built--Penetanguishene Rd and Blake St. We understand that the survey the builder used at a community meeting was not accurate missing not only the new developments but some existing buildings as well. We trust the presentation to city council will require a current and accurate survey plan. Not only do we have single and multi residential options, but we also have affordable /low income options and senior care space. It seems to us that the planning of the east end has met the goal of providing a variety of housing and residential space at a variety of price points. Given that, why should further accommodation be given to add even more to our area? There are areas of Barrie with far less variety than we have that a developer could add over 200 new apartments.

Quality of living for existing residents: the existing residents on Campfire, Garrett, Indian Arrow and Algonquin purchased their homes in a developed neighbourhood with no reason to believe an 11 story building could be erected to significantly degrade, block and change their current view from their window!

They did not purchase next to an undeveloped space and therefore had no reason to believe this could happen. This will not only negatively impact their quality of life but it will also reduce the value of their home.

Thank you for requesting input from the affected community members. Given that our Councillor opposes the development and bylaw amendments, we sincerely hope that other Councillors will support you in your efforts to have this proposal declined.

Thank you for supporting the neighbourhood and working hard to maintain our quality of life in the beautiful and diverse east end of Barrie.

Lori and Doug Bell.

From: Dana Quinto
Sent: Monday, April 03, 2017 9:40 AM
To: Bonnie Ainsworth
Subject: Imperial Towers Apartment Building

Hi Bonnie,

This letter is in response to the application for the second apartment building at 37 Johnson Street. I too agree with you and the Director of Planning and Development's 2002 comments that the proposed second apartment site at the site would increase the density of the area of Blake/Johnson Street in an inappropriate manner. It would negatively impact our neighbourhood by increasing the population and the number of vehicles on the road in what is already a busy corner of the city. Currently there is (at times) a high amount of traffic and pedestrians (many seniors) on foot in this area as people are trying to enter and exit No Frills. Any increase in these numbers could result in more accidents and injuries.

Hopefully the Director of Planning and Development will take the same stand as he did in 2002. We love our neighbourhood and hope its existing character is protected.

Thanks so much,

Dana and Joe Quinto

From: Jill Shipley
Sent: Monday, April 03, 2017 10:23 AM
To: Bonnie Ainsworth
Subject: Zoning by-law -37 Johnson St

Dear Bonnie,

My husband and I would like to add our voices to the folks opposing the Official Plan amendment and the amendment to the zoning By-Law- 37 Johnson Street, Barrie, for a few reasons.

Johnson Street and the streets surrounding the corner of Johnson Street and Shanty Bay Road are very often clogged with parked cars of people who don't want to use the municipal parking lot at Johnson's Beach, or can't get in when the lot is full. Winter brings ice fishermen, and summer brings the beachgoers. The streets are so full of parked cars, it makes the visibility difficult turning corners and getting out of our driveway. Our fear is that the proposed number of units would bring even more parked cars on the streets.

222 units would add about 500? more residents to a very small space. Shoreview Park does a great job now of providing green space for the apartments already built, but I wonder about how green it would stay with the extra garbage, dog dirt and just plain stress this park would have with that many extra people using it on a daily basis.

Our last concern is that of size of the building. Imperial Towers already is far too tall for this neighbourhood, casting shadows and obstructing views.

Thank you so much for listening to our concerns. I hope we are not too late to add our names to a petition. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you need more information.

Sincerely,

Jill Shipley
David Brown

From: Jason

Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 4:58 PM

To: Bonnie Ainsworth

Subject: Re Application to amendment zoning for 37 Johnson St. Barrie

Hello Councillor Ainsworth,

I am writing in regards to the current application to amend the zoning bylaws for 37 Johnson St.

I want to express my opposition to any changes to the current zoning bylaws as I believe they will further negatively impact the livability in the area.

At our current location, I believe I have a unique perspective regarding traffic (people and vehicles) in the area. During the summer, lot and road parking are regularly at capacity with people enjoying the trail and the beach. During the winter the same occurs with fishing, snowmobiling and general trail use. On weekends the roads are congested with travelers north and south trying to avoid the congestion and stress of the 401.

Any change to the zoning which would increase density that is not accompanied by appropriate investment in additional parking and road capacity increases will negatively impact both current residents of the area, as well as the many Barrie residents who come to the area to enjoy the waterfront and the trail.

Regards,

Jason Grieve

From: [Jack Burke](#)
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2017 3:17 PM
To: [Bonnie Ainsworth](#)
Subject: IMPERIAL TOWERS APARTMENT BUILDING

Hello Bonnie,
Councillor Ward 1

My wife and I have resided at _____ for the past 29 years. We have enjoyed watching our children and grandchildren enjoy the open, clean and well maintained Shoreview Park directly across the street from our residence. We have been blessed with having an excellent green belt separating the park from the ugly back view of the current apartment building at 37 Johnson Street. The large mix of mature maple, beech, birch and pine trees enhances the park. We watch many young couples and youths use this park daily, even during the winter months. You can actually feel quite close to nature in this environment and an individuals' privacy is not hindered by watching eyes from the current apartment building.

Should this application for a future 10 story apartment building be allowed to proceed, it would have an extremely negative impact on the existing neighbourhood. This is already a highly populated corner of our city and an 11 story building situated even closer to the park than the existing building would create a feeling of the environment and the citizens' personal well being placed in jeopardy.

My wife and I have signed the petition that is in circulation. We understand and support the need for Barrie to grow, but this specific location is already populated to the maximum and any further development would overwhelm a beautiful residential neighbourhood with congested vehicle traffic and people so close to a school, shopping mall, retirement home and a set of stop lights in the immediate vicinity.

Thank you for allowing us to express our concerns on this very important issue.
And thank you for being an excellent representative of our Ward and your effort during the past proposal.

Jack and Cecile Burke

From: Nadine Saunders
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2017 4:02 PM
To: Bonnie Ainsworth
Subject: final march 21 copy letter of opposition copy.docx

Tuesday March 21, 2017

Bonnie Ainsworth, Ward 1 Councillor
Celeste Terry, Senior Development Planner
Dawn McAlpine, City Clerk
City of Barrie
70 Collier Street
Barrie, Ontario

Please accept the attached letter from concerned and opposed residents of the City of Barrie as opposition and response to the proposed development, all applications for amendments for the property owned by Starlight Corporation known as Block B, Registered Plan 1648, Imperial Towers, 37 Johnson Street, Barrie Ontario and the Planning Justification Report submitted by MHBC.

Please find below correspondence received with respect to the Planning Act application related to 37 Johnson Street site which will be the subject of a Public Meeting on April 24th. A hard copy of the correspondence will be included with the agenda package for the April 24th Public Meeting.

Dear Bonnie,

One of the attributes of our neighbourhood is the size of our properties giving us a sense of openness. This idea of **infilling** in an area that is not zoned for intensification according to schedule A on intensification areas by the city, leaves one not trusting of city planners. The end result detracts from what we cherish; instead leaving one with a sense of tightness especially when the design shows the close proximity of the proposed building near the curb on Indian Arrow. We would not be living here if we didn't tremendously value our lot sizes and openness which is difficult to find these days and being a doorstep away to the country setting of Oro-Medonte. We worry that such a building crammed into this space would negate our **property values**. Besides, we are a newly designated **historic village** of Kempenfelt. Is this the sight to greet one as they enter Indian Arrow? NO!!! Does it reflect the neighbourhood's openness? NO!!!

Next, I have noticed that there are three pedestrian entrances to this proposed building. The main entrance to the building is from the parking lot side. So how is it proposed that **emergency vehicles** gain access that is not in conflict with parked vehicles, especially the disabled parking spots? Gaining access would be compounded by snow removal and storage during the winter months. Where would the snow go as there is parking proposed all along the perimeter of the property?

Thirdly, if we can hear the constant pounding from the construction that took place along the waterfront by Centennial Beach, I can't imagine how **disruptive** the construction of this building will be to us and our quality of life, especially to those living on Campfire Court, and across the street on the bottom end of Indian Arrow, Garrett and Shoreview Dr.

Also given the loamy nature of our soil in this area, which I understand is conducive to erosion, are our homes' foundations at risk of cracking from any pounding causing a vibration that could weaken or loosen the integrity of our supporting soil strata?

Finally, the tenants living on the Northwest and North side of Imperial Towers will have their **line of site** blocked as will residents on the lower end of Indian Arrow.

Furthermore, according to the **shadow study report**, the shadow will affect the folks across the street on Indian Arrow for much of the afternoon during the winter. This is unacceptable as it would likely cause an increase in their heating costs!

So far, I do not see in the plans where the garbage storage is to be located? Who will get to look at that? But I will keep searching.

Please do not approve this building. And this is NOT my final letter.

Kind Regards,

Rick and Wendy Wolak

March 12th, 2017

City of Barrie,
Planning Department

Atten: Bonnie Ainsworth

Bonnie.Ainsworth@barrie.ca

Re: Official Plan submitted by Starlight Investment and Daniel Drimmer

Thank you for the opportunity to submit my objections and concerns for the above building proposal re 37 Johnson Street in Barrie.

I live at _____ and have had no contact with Daniel Drimmer since the purchase of 37 Johnson Street from Ray Bubel, Piliwood Company re: Imperial Towers building. The agent for Daniel Drimmer who presented the plan stated we did get an offer from Daniel Drimmer for our property when this purchase went thru, however that was not true, as my lawyer Tom Wilson will validate if necessary.

Below is my objections on this new 200 unit building to be built directly behind my property:

1. This proposed structure will devalue my property value extensively as we will have no privacy in the back yard and the structure will block out any existing sunshine we are now obtaining, which is reduced to 70% in the summer as it is at present. The back yard will get no sunshine at any time of the year if this structure is approved. Therefore, my plants will not survive and I will have no gardens of any use for planting.
2. The construction of this proposed building will also kill all the existing trees in our back yard in the future (approx. 10 yrs), caused by the digging and cutting of tree roots for the excavation necessary for the structure.
3. This 200 unit will allow for approximately an additional 400 occupants, as most units, one bedroom or not, will need two renters to pay the cost of these rental units. There will be extreme traffic, parking problems, noise pollution, and, as myself and my neighbours realize, garbage problems and damage to the existing park and forested area that is now available.
4. There has always been an underground creek running thru the property, of which I am well aware, as a child played in the natural waterway which came from top of the now existing Georgian Drive area.
5. We do have extra traffic, parked cars, and people visiting our area during the summer months as it is, for the use of Johnson's Beach, more traffic, visitor and tenant parking will make our streets & sidewalks much more dangerous for all people and children walking to and from school, shopping, the park and the beach.
6. The schools do use the park as a soccer field during the spring, summer and fall months, and this park area will now also be blocked from any natural sunshine which will also create damage to the park and forest growth.
7. Wind damage – with the existing building we do, at present, have extreme wind issues at our property caused by the shape of the existing building, wind circles under their front entrance and around the building then whips thru our yard and at our house. Good job my Dad built a strong little house way back in time. The additional building, will now doubt, also create excessive wind build up at the rear of our property as well, which, of course, will effect all my shrubs, trees and gardens that exist at present. I am have been an active member of your "Gardens in Bloom" program and would like to keep this going in the future.

We, the existing taxpayers, many who have been living in this area for over 40 years feel we should not be punished due to the fact that Daniel Drimmer and company wants to make more income for the property he purchased some 3 ½ years ago.

I hope, as taxpayers and government supporters the city and planning board will see our point of view and deny this proposal.

Regards,

Patricia West

From: REED
Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 9:24 AM
To: Bonnie Ainsworth
Subject: Further development of 37 Johnson St., Barrie

Regarding 37 Johnson St, we would like to express our concerns and record our disapproval of the development of this site.

Our main concerns are insufficient parking, which would cause overflow onto Indian Arrow Rd and Campfire Court. (Johnson St is already heavily used for free and overflow parking by the existing building tenants). Plus this neighbourhood has more than enough multi unit buildings. 14 by our count, from just west of the No Frills plaza to Penetanguishene Rd and from Blake St to Shanty Bay Rd.
Please add our names to the existing petition opposing the further development of 37 Johnson St.

Thank you,

Richard and Joan Reed

From: Regier, Jim
Sent: Saturday, March 11, 2017 8:55 AM
To: Bonnie Ainsworth
Subject: 37 Johnson Street

Bonnie

Letter attached with concern 37 Johnson Street rezoning,
thank-you for taking leadership on this issue important to the Johnson Blake neighbourhood.
Please advise opportunity where we may meet to sign the petition.

Regards

Ms. Bonnie Ainsworth

Re: OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING BY-LAW – 37 JOHNSON STREET

Thank-you for providing information on the subject application before Council. I work in the environmental sciences consulting field and appreciate much work goes into development and design approval. The starting point for any development is to meet applicable zoning requirements and fit within the official plan framework.

A major differentiating factor between developers are those who work hard to satisfy the myriad of agencies and make improvements to mitigate or accommodate reasonably the concern of neighbours;

Vs developers who push every variance possible, hoping to win non-compliant design beyond that of the highest zoning density possible. The attitude of the later is always that each extra unit and each corner cut to get it maximizes investment; that limits are a challenge to overcome rather than guide.

As a rezoning, the concern I have (expressed in person to council when the application came up first some 14 years ago) working in the industry is simply that the proposal meet compliance within the rezoned designation being applied for. If parking for example is to be applied as that for a senior's residence, then apply for, design a building within compliance to, and operate a senior's residence. That's just change guided by planning even if opposed by some.

While parking is the major compliance concern due the number of units, other variances of height, setbacks, etc. need to comply to requirements of the rezoned designation. To allow is the same as asking other developers (through retained consultant precedent) to do the same, leading to lowest common denominator development and short circuiting the twenty to thirty years of work that went into the official zoning plan and guidelines.

Please ask the proponent to finally and simply present a plan that meets within the building guideline applicable to the rezoning requested. There have been a good number of added housing units just the past several years in the immediate Johnson & Blake neighbourhood progressed to approval in more or less one round of application because the plan fit current zoning designation or met design within plan limits in the case where more dense rezoning was requested.

Regards,
Jim Regier

From: Cheryl Tomkinson
Sent: Thursday, March 09, 2017 3:10 PM
To: Bonnie Ainsworth
Subject: Re: 37 Johnson

Hello Bonnie

I am against the development on the lands at 37 Johnson Street to build a second 11 story apartment building for the following reasons;

This will affect my quality of life as at this time I can see a view of trees and the lake from the balcony of my townhouse condo. If this 11 story apartment building is approved to be built it will block my view of the lake and trees. This was one of the reasons that I decided to buy my townhouse condo. I moved to this home to have the peace and quiet it offers. The peaceful walk to the beach and the pathway along the waterfront.

I feel that the value of my property will be affected by the building of this 11 story apartment. Why are the rules and regulations able to be changed. When the City of Barrie spends time and thought to make these rules why can someone just come along and apply to change them?

Another apartment building in this area will increase traffic. There is a senior's building at the corner of Blake and Johnson Street and a school beside the senior home. The intersection is so busy with traffic it makes it very dangerous now for all trying to cross at the lights. When the 400 is closed Blake Street and Johnson Street are run ways for the 400 traffic. In the summer it is crazy with traffic on Blake Street.

Cheryl Tomkinson

From: Aileen Carroll

Date: March 5, 2017 at 10:24:43 AM EST

Subject: The proposal re the Imperial Towers, Johnson Street, Barrie

Dear Ms. Terry,

My husband, Kevin Carroll, and I attended the meeting at City Hall on February 22, 2017, regarding this proposal having received notice from the City.

We are very much against the proposal to double the size of this apartment building which would completely alter the nature of this community and neighbourhood. I have been involved in fighting a similar proposal, though not as large an addition as is currently proposed, in 2014. It was defeated at that time as well as in 2004. I understand from people at the meeting that there was a fourth proposal at well. I am reminded of the definition of insanity according by Albert Einstein which states that insanity is the act of doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results.

I am at a loss to understand why the City continues to entertain these proposals, endure the cost, and not share with developers the reasons why the addition failed to meet the bar three times in the past. There are, as you would know, areas of the City designated for intensification. This property and this part of Barrie are not one of those areas.

The negative impact to Shoreview Park and the trees which are such a integral part of the park would be substantial. The shading that would occur from the doubling of the current building to the park, Indian Arrow Street and Campfire Crescent is totally unacceptable. To say this proposal will have a negative impact on the price of homes on those streets and others is a foregone conclusion. But in addition to the investment owners have made in their homes, the quality of life in our community would be altered in an unacceptable manner.

The adverse effect of insufficient parking to accommodate this addition in a area already pressed to cope with the users of Johnson Street Beach in the summer and ice fishermen in the winter is an another aspect.

We will be attending the upcoming meeting with City Council and will join the many other people opposed to this development at that time. In that regard, I have met no one in favour of this development in our community.

We count on the planners at the City to apply the Official Plan to this proposal in much the same manner that the development on Dunlop East asking for an amendment to the Official Plan was dealt with.

People all over the City rallied to defeat that developer and in doing so, saved the waterfront and gazebo protected for good reason by the Official Plan.

We will do the same.

Yours truly,
Aileen and Kevin Carroll