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**To:** Dawn McAlpine  
**Subject:** File D14-1589 - Amendment to Zoning By-Law

Ms McAlpine

Can you please forward this email to the appropriate individual, Mayor Lehman and Members of Council.

Sorry for the delay.

**Attention: Legislative and Court Services**

Please accept this email as my **notice of objection** to the proposed amendment on the above file. The current height, mass and scale of the immediate surrounding buildings would be dwarfed by a 20 story structure. This would have a major visual impact.

The majority of existing front facing structures on Dunlop Street are zoned C1-1 (10 stories). Medium Density/mixed use.

When you stand at 5 points on Dunlop St and look left, then right you are looking at the "History of Barrie", between Mulcaster St to the East and Toronto St to the West, none of the buildings are currently much higher than 4-5 stories in height.

The City's Tall Building Policy, does mention local area compatibility....how does a twenty story building accomplish this on that particular site?

I would like to **strongly suggest this amendment not be approved** in its current form.

Under the Historic Neighbourhood Strategy (approved by Council) the "Vision for Future Development" identified the downtown core as Medium Density and the Higher Density along major corridors such as Bradford St. Yonge St. and Essa Rd.

Below is a quote from the HNS Strategy

**Yellow Streets Character: An area that is in transition with a growing mix of housing forms and a range of services. Growth Expectations: Some growth in the area is anticipated, primarily along minor collector roads and at smaller intersections, on vacant lots and underutilized sites. Medium-scale infill is considered acceptable, provided it adheres to good urban design and architectural standards and is complementary to the neighbourhood, particularly development that is directly adjacent to existing residential areas.**

I understand the need for a new development to go into this space at 5 Points but would request Council consider the impact from an Historic Neighbourhood perspective. Once we allow a 20 story structure at this location we have lost our Historic Downtown.

Sincerely

Cathy Colebatch