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Subject: 303 Cundles, apartment buildings zoning

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RE 303 Cundles

two 6 storey residential apartment buildings known as "The Junction" to the south. seeks to add site specific provisions to the existing General Commercial with Special Provision (C4)(SP-520)(SP-530) zone to facilitate the development of three residential apartment buildings, 8, 10 and 12 storeys in height with a total of 505 units.

Dear Celeste

I have built 3 homes in the past, as general contractor for my own home, (hubby always working)

so i understand some of the building process and requirements. I am now a Senior , after a having taken care of my parents as older seniors and myself now 66 years of age, i can now relate to the problems of seeking apartments for seniors.

These developers will make tons of money in profits over the building lifetime, and for the privilege of having zone changes to accommodate them to build and make their profit on. i feel they need to be grateful to the town and community and return the favour to the community in kindness We as a community need to demand more

for **allowing** them to build, **when we are adjusting to meet their needs**, so they can build. and make a profit, they in return need to offer more back to community than just taxes.

I cannot attend the public meeting but would like to put on the table

- 1. More apartments are needed within these buildings allocated to seniors needs ie no tubs but wider walk-in showers, hand bars
- 2. for those that struggle with simple ease of getting in and out of tubs as older issues. balcony wide enough to sit out on widows that open more for air
- 3. plus, air conditioning! (for climate change heat)
- 1. i would like to see a 30% allocated to subsidized income as well.

- with a required subsidized housing mixed in, a LARGE percentage of that not just 10% in this case 50 apartments but 30%. City needs to make more planning laws around this accommodation - not just whole buildings for subsidized housing but a mix of incomes in a premium building so not only high income to afford.
- 2. we all live in Barrie, enjoy the benefits of the lake, and city and all need to support the community as a whole, to support each other in different ages.

Boomers are aging, needing to downsize due to finances, loss of spouse, health issues, etc. Not that it's the developer fault

but Boomers are here and need more housing that is suitable to this age group, now! the percentage of population over 60 is huge now. that boomer bubble is here -

housing needs are changing. People are changing and aging is a main factor. I as a senior am finding it a challenge to get apartment that is clean

has a balcony for fresh air, is more accommodating to get into a shower that does not involve risk /safety factors by lifting leg over a tub yet still live in a mixed community not in a senior home, or retirement - an all-seniors community.

Please be more considerate to this age group, young seniors that still have life and want to live like adults not put in a home

Many are still fit, work parttime, and participate, **volunteer** in the community with their time but no longer want or need a house to care for. and repair.

I cannot read all of the info on the plans, so i am just putting this out there,

there is a need, that we as a city need to accommodate and require accommodation to all ages including seniors.

I can see in the past seniors - both young seniors and older seniors have been left out alot in city planning.

NOw is the time to fix that.

Best regards, Arlene McLean Barrie Resident