

Mr. Ernest Dragonette Sr. 6292 Brookfield Avenue Niagara Falls, Ontario L2G 5R8
May 20, 2006

Dear Mr. Darbyson

Please accept this letter in regards to the Zoning by-law amendment application City File: AM-17/2006 to amend zoning by-law No. 79-200. I am totally against the site specific Residential Single Family 1C Density (R1C) rezoning to permit the development of the six lots with special driveway access.

I have lived at 6292 Brookfield for thrity years. This proposed plan will invade my privacy and disrupt the peacefulness that I have enjoyed for three decades. The special driveway access that is presented in this plan is situated on the south side of my home at the immediate area of three bedrooms. This will effect me the most having to deal with the noise and activity of traffic at all hours of the day and night.

Thirty citizens met regarding this zoning by-law and everyone disagreed with the two driveways exiting onto Brookfield Avenue. We agree as a group that we absolutely do not want the approval of the two driveways to exit onto Brookfield Avenue.

Please consider this letter as my request for this proposal to be denied.

Yours truly.

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June 12, 2006

The recommendation(s) contained in this report were adopted as amended by City Council

His Worship Mayor Ted Salci and Members of the Municipal Council City of Niagara Falls, Ontario

Members:

Re:

PD-2006-46, Official Plan & Zoning By-law Amendment Application

AM-06/2006, 5471, 5491 and 5507 River Road

& 4399 and 4407 John Street

Applicant: O.R.E. Development Corporation

Agent: Italia Gilberti, Solicitor

Proposed 29-Storey Residential Development

RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

It is recommended that Council not approve the Official Plan and Zoning By-law amendment application to permit a 29-storey, 250 unit residential development on the subject land.

BACKGROUND:

Proposal

O.R.E. Development Corporation has requested amendments to the Official Plan and Zoning By-law for the lands known as 5471, 5491 and 5507 River Road and 4399 and 4407 John Street totaling 0.58 hectares (1.45 acres), as shown on Schedule 1. The applicant has also requested the City to close, declare surplus and sell River Lane between Philip Street and John Street to add it to the project. There is public opposition to this suggested lane closing. The amendments to the City's planning documents are requested to permit the development of a 29-storey, 250 unit residential development. The development is proposed to have a maximum building height of 98 metres (321 ft.). Schedules 2 and 3 show further details of the proposal.

The majority of the subject lands are designated Tourist Commercial in the City's Official Plan. The lands west of River Lane are designated Residential. The applicant has requested the designation of all the lands to be Residential to allow them to be developed for housing. In addition, special site specific policies are requested to be added to the Official Plan for the whole of the lands to permit the proposed development at the height and density proposed.

The majority of the subject lands are currently zoned Tourist Commercial with site specific provisions (TC-67) permitting the development of a motel having up to 4 storeys and 112 units. The motel was approved in the early 1980's by the Ontario Municipal Board. The project had significant

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objections from the neighbourhood. The two properties on John Street are currently zoned Residential Single Family and Two Family (R2). The zoning of all of the land is requested to be changed to a site specific multi-residential zone (yet to be determined) to permit the proposed development.

Not only would the project be the tallest residential development in the City, it would also have the highest residential density. The highest residential density in the City's Official Plan is 125 units per hectare (50 units per acre). The density of the development is 384 units per hectare (155 units per acre) based on the assumption that River Lane will be sold by the City to the applicant, creating one large parcel. Without River Lane, the proposed development would be 550 units per hectare (223 units per acre).

Site Description and Surrounding Land Uses

The site slopes downward from the northwest corner at Philip Street and River Lane to the southeast corner at River Road and John Street. There is a total of five residential dwellings on the property, three that front onto River Road and two that front onto John Street.

Lands to the west and north are residential. This area has a mix of single detached dwellings, dwellings converted into multiple unit dwellings, bed and breakfasts and a small number of low-rise (3-storey) apartment dwellings. Lands to the south are tourist commercial and occupied by Michael's Inn. The Niagara River lies to the east.

Circulation Comments

Niagara Parks Commission

- No objections to the proposed land use change from tourist commercial to residential. However, to bring down density to a reasonable level, to reduce impacts on neighbouring land and the gorge and to provide a transition to the low density residential neighbourhood, the height of the tower should be reduced to 6 8 storeys and the height of the podium reduced to 2 storeys.
- The consultant's traffic engineer should further demonstrate that the development will not have any measurable changes to traffic volumes affecting River Road intersections.
- Additional podium setbacks from River Road should be provided.
- Regional Municipality of Niagara
- The proposed development in general meets the Provincial objective of intensifying development in the existing urban area.
- While the proposal implements some of the Region's Smart Growth principles, local planning needs to be considered to ensure that the design achieves a compatible fit with the overall neighbourhood.

- Regional Planning staff does not agree with the statement in the proponent's background report which states the Region's Smart Growth principles support the proposed density. The Smart Growth principles encourage densities over 25 units/acre in appropriate locations. The density of the development is much greater than that of surrounding areas.
- The Region is studying the capacity of the Bender Hill pumping station (in concert with the City) and cannot comment at this time.

Municipal Works

- There is insufficient information provided with the application to confirm that there is adequate water and sanitary capacity in the system for this project. Appropriate information and reports are to be provided at the site plan stage to ensure there is adequate capacity.
- Building & By-law Services
- All required Building Permits are to be obtained prior to commencement of construction.

City Clerk

No comments.

Neighbourhood Meeting

The applicant held three meetings with surrounding residents, on March 9, April 5, and May 2, 2006. Planning staff was invited to the first two meetings. The following concerns were raised at these meetings.

- Several residents were concerned if public access to River Lane was eliminated.
- Several residents had concerns with the additional traffic the project would introduce onto River Road and that it may cause infiltration into the residential areas. In addition, there were concerns that parking demands for the project would spill out onto nearby streets and garbage trucks accessing the project through River Lane would disrupt residents.
- A couple of residents noted occasional water pressure problems and were concerned that this project would exacerbate the situation.
- Residents were concerned about the shadowing impacts on surrounding residential properties and the reduction in privacy the project would cause for nearby residents.

Subsequent to these meetings, a number of letters of objection and a petition have been received from residents. The residents have raised concerns about the height and massing of the building and its context in the neighbourhood, traffic generation by the development and the closure of River Lane. One letter in support of the development by a local resident has also been received.

Planning Analysis

Planning staff does not object to the redesignation from Tourist Commercial to Residential provided the ensuing development is harmonious with surrounding development in scale, height and density, does not adversely impact on surrounding uses and can be supported by existing and planned infrastructure. However, the proposed development is far in excess of residential densities the Official Plan permits, is not in keeping with building heights contemplated by the Official Plan and is completely out of character with the surrounding residential neighbourhood and therefore cannot be supported.

Due to the requested change to a Residential designation, this planning review focuses primarily on the project's conformity with the City's Residential land use policies. The City's Tourist Commercial policies are also referred to as they provide some guidance on the appropriate building heights for the subject property. As well, reference is made to the planning report prepared by the applicant's planner (Urban and Environmental Management Inc.). The following is a summary of the planning analysis.

The requested Official Plan amendment does not meet the prerequisite criteria for an Official Plan change. The application does not meet the relevant criteria as follows:

1. Conformity of the Proposal to the General Objective of the Residential Policies

The intent of the Official Plan is to protect residential areas from the adverse effects of growth. Therefore, new residential development is to occur in a manner which is compatible with the surrounding neighbourhood and is to be designed in a manner sensitive with the neighbourhood in terms of density, height gradation, building mass and arrangement, setbacks and appearance.

The Official Plan establishes a maximum density of 125 units per hectare (50 units per acre) where residential land is in close proximity to the Central Business District (CBD) and other major commercial districts where a wide range of services, transit and traffic infrastructure are readily available. Residents in such developments provide support to these commercial areas because of easy access due to their relative proximity.

The applicant's planner contends that the Tourist Commercial designation will permit residential uses on the property and therefore it is permissible to redesignate the lands to Residential. Notwithstanding the policies set out in the Official Plan, it is the opinion of the applicant's planner that the site is close enough to the CBD to warrant higher densities, that the development is compatible with surrounding residential development because the stepped back building form reduces its impacts on adjacent properties and that there will be no negative impact on the transportation system.

Planning staff disagrees with this planner's assessment. The proposed 29-storey building is not compatible with the surrounding development. The proposal does not conform to the general objectives of the Official Plan nor the City's Residential land use policies.

The Official Plan contemplates a maximum density of 75 to 100 units per hectare (30 to 40 units per acre) and maximum building heights of 4 to 6 storeys for properties on the periphery of residential areas. The proposed density is several times greater than even the highest density contemplated by the Official Plan anywhere in the City.

As well, the height of the tower is excessive in terms of Official Plan policies. Adverse impacts cannot be avoided with this major departure from the Official Plan as outlined later in this report.

- Planning staff disagrees that the site is a good location for a high-rise development based on the argument that it is close to the CBD. The site is separated from the CBD by more than a kilometre (0.6 mile) of mainly low density residential housing. It is questionable if the CBD would derive significant economic benefit given the remote location of this project. Lands within the CBD offer a superior location and economic benefit.
- The development is not compatible in terms of design and massing with the surrounding neighbourhood. Most development in this area appears to meet the spirit of the current zoning regulations that restrict development in the area to 40% lot coverage and a maximum building height of 10 metres (32.8 ft.). In comparison, the height of the podium of the building is 21 metres (69 ft.) which is more than twice the height permitted in the surrounding area. In addition, the coverage on the portion to be developed (east of River Lane) approaches 100%. This massive podium is completely out of scale and character with surrounding residential uses.
- The abutting low density residential areas will not be protected from shadowing impacts. The applicant's own analysis confirms that shadowing will impact residential areas to the west for most of the morning year round.
- As detailed later in the report, the abutting residential area may be adversely impacted by other aspects of the development, including traffic, servicing and wind impacts.

2. Conformity of the Proposal to the General Objective of the Tourist Commercial Policies

The Tourist Commercial policies provide that the quality of life for residents is not to be adversely affected by the overshadowing effects of tall buildings. To ensure that residential properties are protected, building heights in the tourist area are to be reduced toward the periphery. In this regard, building heights in the tourist core are established in Figure 4 of the Tourist Commercial policies. The property immediately to the south of the subject lands are shown to be in an area of 9 to 12 storeys, while these lands within the tourist commercial area are limited to 4 storeys.

This development does not respect the policies of the Official Plan regarding the reduction of building heights toward the periphery of the tourist core. To provide an appropriate height transition to the low density residential uses along River Road and to avoid overshadowing, a building height which steps down from 6 - 4 storeys should be considered on the property.

3. Appropriateness of the Site for the Proposed Use, Especially in Relation to Other Sites or Areas of the City

Despite the Tourist Commercial designation, the land has been used for residential purposes and a bed and breakfast for many years. The site is suited for a residential development that

reflects the scale and character of the neighbourhood, but certainly not at the height and density proposed. In fact, the River Road Neighbourhood Plan Study, completed in 1983, determined that medium density residential would be an appropriate land use for the area.

The 29-storey proposal represents an overdevelopment of the site. The current design relies on Phillip and John Streets and River Lane for vehicular access including delivery and service vehicles such as garbage trucks. Residents on these streets are going to be impacted by these vehicular movements.

It would be better to locate high-rise, high density residential development in the CBD to support surrounding commercial uses as promoted by the Downtown Community Improvement Plan (CIP) and Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP). Alternatively, this form of development may be feasible in the core of the Central Tourist District where buildings of similar height and mass are located.

4. Compatibility of the Proposal with Adjacent Land Use Designations and Natural Resources

Land use compatibility is typically achieved through the gradation in building heights and densities and the use of adequate separation distances between high-rise and low-rise buildings.

The proposal would place a 29-storey, 98 metre (321 ft.) high building about 30 metres (100 ft.) away from residential properties of a low density and height. This is insufficient distance to provide an adequate transition between a very tall building and largely single detached dwellings. Residents have cited concerns about a loss of privacy resulting from the height of the tower.

In addition to subjecting residential properties to the west to shadowing impacts, it is also expected that a building of this height would deflect prevailing winds downward resulting in wind impacts at the pedestrian level. However, the wind impacts have not been analyzed.

The Niagara Parks Commission also cited concerns about shadowing over the Niagara Gorge. The tower is only about 35 metres (115 ft.) from the lip of the Gorge, and will leave part of the Gorge in shadow for much of the afternoon. The Niagara River Gorge is an important natural resource that needs to be protected.

5. The Availability of Adequate Municipal Services and Facilities for the Proposed Use and its Impact on the Transportation System

Neither the Region nor the City's Municipal Works Section can confirm sufficient capacity at this time in their respective infrastructure (water services and sanitary sewers, Bender Hill pumping station) to support this project. Analysis of this infrastructure is necessary. In addition, the Niagara Parks Commission, the City's Parking & Traffic Services section and residents have expressed concern about the impact of traffic from the project on the surrounding road network. Although the applicant's consultants have prepared a report indicating the road network can support the development, at the time of the writing of this report, this has not yet been adequately demonstrated.

6. The Need for the Proposed Use and the Extent to Which Existing Areas of the City Designated for the Proposed Use are Developed or Available for Development

City statistics identify a 19-year inventory of residential lands available for development, well in excess of the amount required under Provincial legislation to be available for development. There are lands prezoned for multiple family development in the City that can accommodate up to 924 units. On average, 44 multiple units are built in the City on a yearly basis. The need to redesignate the subject lands for additional housing has not been demonstrated.

CONCLUSION:

The application to amend the Official Plan and the Zoning By-law to permit a 29-storey, 250 unit apartment building cannot be supported for the following reasons:

- It does not conform with the general objectives of the Official Plan, in particular, the residential areas are not protected from the adverse impacts of high-rise development.
- The subject site is too small to support this development.
- The application presumes the closing of River Lane which is unacceptable to area residents. River Lane contains municipal services.
- The height, density and coverage of the development is unprecedented in the City and will be completely out of character with the surrounding residential area.
- Adverse impacts on the surrounding residential area and the Niagara Gorge will occur, including unacceptable shadowing of residences and the Gorge, possible wind impacts, increases in traffic and service vehicles accessing the building though River Lane.
- It has not been demonstrated that the surrounding road network and municipal services can support the development.
- The Official Plan directs high density, high-rise developments to areas adjacent to major commercial areas, such as the Central Business District, to support these commercial areas as promoted by the Strategic Implementation Plan.

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Planner 2

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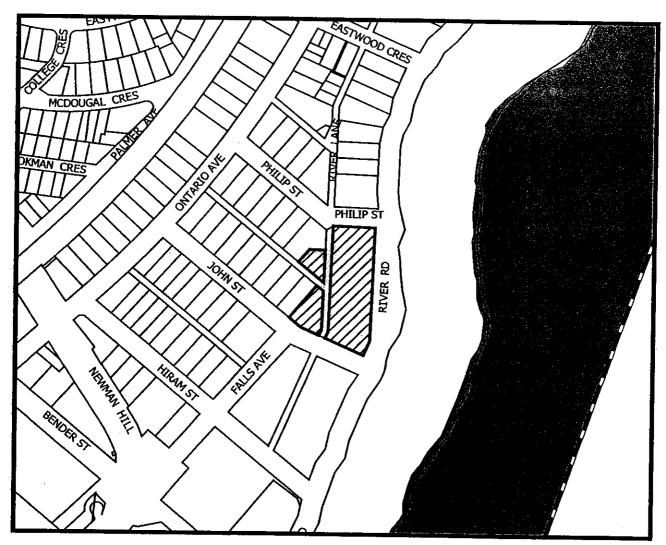
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SCHEDULE 1 LOCATION MAP

Subject Land



Amending the Official Plan and Zoning By-law No. 79-200

Location:

5471 River Road

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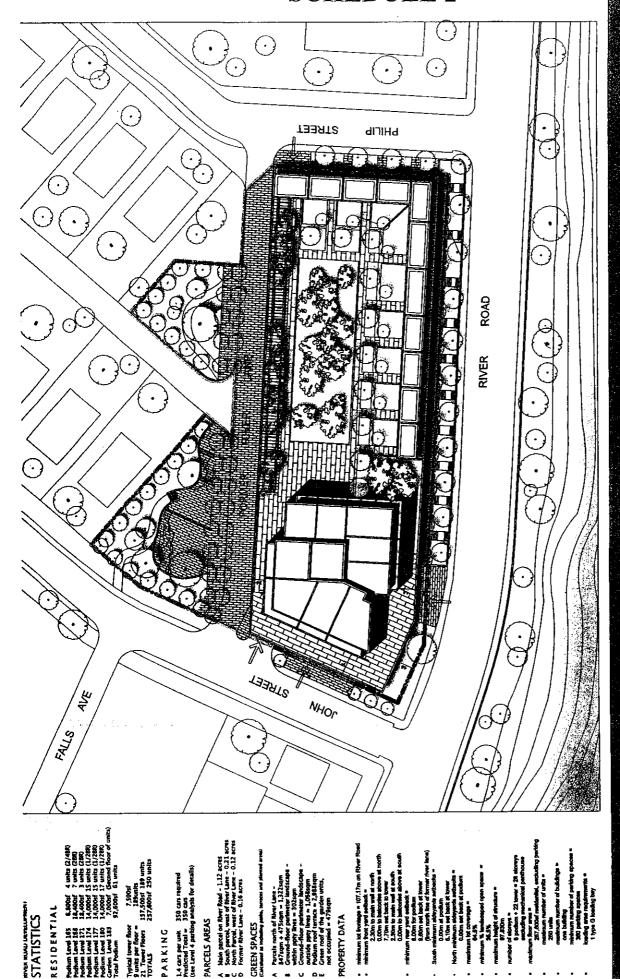
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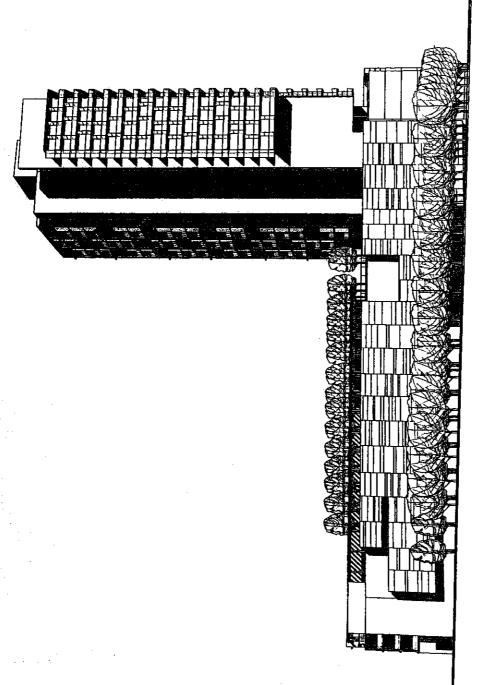
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Subject: City File: AM-06/2006



TO: Mr. Andrew Bryce, Planner 2, Planning & Development, City of Niagara Falls

FROM: John & Natasha Simanic, 4480 Philip Street, Niagara Falls

Dear Andrew,

Thank you for responding so quickly to my first correspondence with you. I thought it appropriate to submit a formal complaint to The City of Niagara Falls regarding the proposed development on River Road between John and Philip Street, and put in a more eloquent manner. The reasons my wife and I are against any such building over the 4 storey limit currently allowed are as follows,

- This building is monstrously large projecting over 300 feet into the sky
- There were no set backs on the plan
- Some of my neighbours will lose access of the laneway, and one house still has a garage facing onto it
- There would be a huge influx of vehicles into the area
- It would add a significant amount of residents to the neighbourhood. I am not a trained city planner but would there not be an issue of population density?
- The building itself would rob the beauty of the gorge area
- Its uglier than a sin

On top of those issues mentioned above, Natasha and I are very concerned as we are investing over \$250,000.00 of our life savings and loans to create a beautiful custom renovated home. We feel that a building such as this would not add value to our neighbourhood and be a hideous eyesore. Nor were we impressed by the way the developers conducted themselves during the meetings we went to, as well as another concern of their lawyer who also represents the Niagara Commission. They all acted like this was going to be allowed and we couldn't do a thing. That is why I was forced to deliver 1000 flyers with the help of my wife and our neighbours Deborah Jackson and Ken Murphy. As mentioned earlier, the community as a whole will be joining together to form a residential association where we will act much quicker in the future to stop this type of thing. In closing we can only hope that the Planning Department would not recommend a building like this in our neighbourhood, and that City Council act responsibly by not allowing any structure be built that would take away from the natural wonder of Niagara Falls.

Sincerely yours,

John & Natasha Simanic Phone: 905-358-1906

C. Doug Darbyson, Planning Dean Torfida, Clerks

Wednesday, May 31, 2006

TO: Mayor's Office (Mayor Ted Salci)
The City of Niagara Falls
4310 Queen Street, P.O. 1023
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FROM: John & Natasha Simanic

4480 Philip Street Niagara Falls, Ontario

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Phone: 905-358-1906

Email: nsimanic@cogeco.ca

RE: Proposed 29-Storey high rise on River Road (City File AM-06/2006)

Dear Mayor Salci,

Please find enclosed correspondence between Natasha, myself and Andrew Bryce of the Planning Department along with a petition against the above mentioned project.

This is a disturbing proposal in which a developer would want to forever destroy the beautiful area of the Falls and Gorge area with such a large project, and one that in my opinion is truly a hideous building. Coming from a construction background in custom homes with provincial qualifications in construction and design (Building Code Identification Number 22350) and a qualified residential renovator I have to admit this would not benefit the Falls and Gorge area with this type of size and style.

I only had a few days to organize this petition and we were able to get 199 confirmed signatures of residents in the City of Niagara Falls, with many being quite vocal in seeing this area ruined and I'm sure more as time goes on.

My wife and I moved here in June of 2005 because we were taken aback by the natural wonder of this area and as such will be investing over ¼ of a million dollars into our tired home and turn it into something that will compliment this area where we would like to raise children.

In closing I would like to say that your job is not an easy one as you must balance investment into our city and keep the residents happy, but this is one project that may be better positioned elsewhere or conform to the current zoning.

Thank you for your time Mayor Salci and I look forward to seeing you and Council on June 12th.

Sincerely yours,

John and Natasha Simanic



Monday, May 29, 2006

TO: Mr. Andrew Bryce, Planner 2, Planning & Development, City of Niagara Falls

Phone: 905-356-7521 Ext. 4232 Fax: 905-356-2354

Email: abryce@niagarafalls.ca

FROM: John M. Simanic

4480 Philip Street, Niagara Falls

Phone: 905-358-1906

Email: nsimanic@cogeco.ca

RE: City File AM-06/2006

Dear Andrew,

Please find enclosed 16 pages of petition forms (199 signatures) which are against the proposed 29-storey development on River Road between John and Philip Street in The City of Niagara Falls.

We as residents of this community are against any development which exceeds the current 4-Storey (40 feet [12.20meters] in height) structure that it is currently zoned for; we are also against any further expansion of the commercial sector into our residential communities.

As mentioned in earlier correspondence with you, if the rest of the city were fully aware of this proposed development we would have had many more, but it was the best I could

do for 3 days of work. On a more personal note this was a very troubling affair for my wife and I, as mentioned we are in the process of investing well over \$250,000.00 into our house to create a custom home that would compliment this neighbourhood. Not destroy it.

The Simanic Family was synonymous with quality custom homes in The City of Mississauga and even though we have moved onto international development my wife and I wanted to live and raise our family in what is regarded as one of the most beautiful cities in the world, and be proud of it.

In closing I would like to thank you again for your time and was most impressed upon your professionalism in handling this sensitive matter.

Sincerely Yours,

John M. Simanic

cc- Mayor Ted Salci, Alderman Wayne Campbell, Alderman Jim Diodati, Alderman Carolynn Ioannoni, Alderman Vince A. Kerrio, Alderman Selina Volpatti, Alderman Janice Wing

NEIGHBOURHOOD ALERT



On Monday, June 12th 2006 at 7:00 pm City Council is meeting to consider an application for a 29 storey (321feet high) apartment building with 250 units on River Road between Philip and John Street.

How does it affect you?

- According to the developer it will add an additional 350 cars to our streets
- Heavy trucks and machinery rumbling through your neighbourhood
- Additional garbage trucks coming and going to service the 750 to 1000 new occupants
- The building itself is monstrously huge and will be an eye sore to our community.
- Additional strain on our services could be affected
- If they are allowed to build this huge building it could set a precedence for future builders to quietly buy up land to build more large buildings right next to you
- It will add too many people to our area (higher population density)
- Higher property taxes
- It will forever change, in a negative way, the landscape of the previously protected Niagara River Parkway

The developers are hoping YOU are uneducated and un-informed and don't show up so they can get away with this. Most of the neighbourhood residents have not heard about it and those who have are against it.

What can you do?

Give me a call as soon as possible (BEFORE May 30th) and I'll stop by your home so you can sign a petition that will allow our community to act as a large group to stop this lunacy, it will only take a minute of your time and force the politicians to listen to you. Or you can come to City Hall on Monday, June 12th to voice your opinion.

Thanks for your time

John & Natasha Simanic 4480 Philip Street

Phone: 905-358-1906

Email: nsimanic@cogeco.ca

Dated: May 25th, 2006

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15. FRANCIS BLAKELY	5077 RIVER BD	905 357 2081	4536
6. CLARK BLAKELY	5077 RIVER RD	905357208	Jake Blaked



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City of Niegara Falls 4310 Juden It. Attoution of Director of Planning & Development of Planning regards City File AM 106/2006

This application to amend the Official Plan - and Bening Birlaw 79-200 should not be approved.

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This Ruce peoperty is in a residential area of detached homes. The applicant's exceed the raidential density limits stipulated in the official plan by a factor of over three times. A twenty-nine story, two hundred and fifty unit condo residence does not in any way fit in with the existing housing of the area. There we no homes in the area exceeding three stories in height. A former council saw fit to restrict development on this site to four stories and a maximum of 112 units. River Lone between Philip and John Streets should not be closed and so fol to the developer as it is the main means by which the neighborhood accesses Roberta St./Hwy 420.

Traffic conquetion are abolitional three hundred and fifty vehicles will access and egress the proposed development along with service and delivery trucks! The great majority of this additional traffic upon egress, will attempt to access Roberts Street Hwy 420 (as do the area neighbors) They well exet outo John St. turn left onto Falls Ave-lights at Huram-stop sign at Newman Hill. This will back up traffic travelling up their am to the Casino, and vice versa, delaying the local neighborhood traffic also attempting to reach Roberts St. 1/ Hwy 420 the traffic study done by before for the developers is significantly flowed. It is based on erroneous survey info safollows. it assumes that the exiting traffic will proceed North 48% will proceed Westonly 41 %

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Sincerely Ken Murphy (905) 354-6218

P.S. I do wish to be notified if council sees fit to adopt the proposed amendments.

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May 16, 2006

Director of Planning and Development City of Niagara Falls, 4310 Queen Street Niagara Falls, Ontario L2E 6X5

Dear Mr. Darbyson,

We are writing in support of the proposed condo development to be built on River Road between John and Phillip Streets.

We have attended the last two information sessions and were extremely pleased with the presentation, the quality of people presenting and especially the quality of the proposed buildings. The developers appear to have taken the location very seriously and are using materials that seem to fit well with the landscape the surrounding area.

We feel this project will bring both jobs and people to the area and will improve the tax base of the city substantially. We also have to recognize the benefits of intensification projects. We really feel this project as well as the proposed redevelopment of the down town area will change the way people view Niagara Falls and will bring an entirely new group of people to the area, people who will come for the cultural activities, people who would not have come for gambling or for the type of entertainment offered by the Clifton Hill area.

We have talked to many of our neighbors and the vast majority of them are in favour of both projects. We are all embarrassed by our current downtown. The perception of Niagara Falls by people we meet in our travels is that it is a run down city they would never consider living in. We would love to see that change. We can't wait to be able to spread the word about the marvelous place it is going to become. When Al and I are planning vacations, we always go to places that have interesting, vibrant downtowns. I don't believe there is another city in Canada that has the potential we have here in Niagara Falls to completely remake ourselves at comparatively very low cost because of the extent to which we have devalued our downtown due to extreme neglect over a long period of time.

Go for it folks,

Best regards.

Ann Beauregard and Al Dolson 5435 River Road, Niagara Falls. RECEIVED

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To: Director of Planning and Development, City Hall, 4310 Queen St., Niagara Falls, Ontario L2E 6X5

From: John Haitos Linda Savriga Haitos Joseph Savriga 4443 Hiram St. Niagara Falis, Ontario L2E 1A2

Regarding: City File AM-06/2006

Dear Director:

We wish to formally voice our objections to the amendments for the proposed development on the River Rd. between John and Phillip Sts. We have lived on Hiram St. for over thirty years and do not feel that this development is in keeping with the overall residential aspect of the River Rd.

In view of the recent developments concerning Queen St. revitalization, we feel that such a development should be in the Queen St. area in keeping with the plans that city council is endorsing.

The increase in traffic is another of our concerns. With over 250 units having possibly close to double that number of vehicles, this would greatly increase the traffic in this area. Our summer traffic is heavy now and we think that this development would make a much higher volume of vehicular traffic that would be unbearable at times.

We also have concerns whether or not the lip of the gorge is able to sustain such a heavy load without collapsing. We recall that previously a similar development was rejected after geological studies were done on the rock formation of the gorge walls.

We also feel that any closing of the River Lane would seriously hamper some residents gaining access to their properties.

We also feel that the shadowing studies should be enough evidence to warrant not letting this development proceed.

Thank you for your attention to our concerns.

John & Linda Haitos

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Diane Clayton, 6509 St. John Street, Niagara Falls, Ontario. L2J 1C8 (905) 357-2690

May 25, 2006.

Director of Planning and Development, City Hall, 4310 Queen Street, Niagara Falls, Ontario. L2E 6S5

reference: City file AM-06/2006

Dear Sir/Madam:

I lived on River Road twenty seven years ago for two and a half years. What a beautiful area and view, unspoiled by over-sized buildings. I was disappointed to have left the area. I recently saw a notice for a 29 storey, 250 unit residential development to be built on or near River Road and John and Philip Streets. I cannot believe that anyone would allow this building to be built, thereby destroying part of the beautiful view of the river. While I do not live in the area any longer, I am a firm believer that the river belongs to all of us and we all have a responsibility to protect it not only for ourselves but for future generations.

I understand that presently these lands are zoned Tourist Commercial allowing a building up to a height of four stories. I would think this plan was put into place to protect the views and keep heights fairly even for aesthetic reasons. A 29 storey building would look terribly out of place. And what of the people who own homes in this area, I'm sure they felt they too would have their properties and views protected. If the area is allowed to be rezoned, allowing the builders to get around the present restrictions, when will it stop? It would only be a matter of time before monster buildings take over our parkways.

Please accept this letter as a formal complaint against the adoption of the proposed amendment and possible future building. I wish to be notified of any decisions regarding this application. Thank you.

Yours truly,

Diane Clayton.

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Karen Hein 5421 River Lane Niagara Falls, ON L2E 3P4

May 25, 2006

Dear Director of Planning and Development,

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I am writing in regards to file AM-06/2006. Due to my work schedule I am unable to attend the public meetings to voice my opinion on this matter.

I am a resident on River Lane between Philip St and Eastwood Cres. I purchased my home in this area for the facft that it was a safe, quite, friendly neighborhood. By building an appartment which is to house upward of a thousand people the safe feeling may be in jeopardy and the quiteness will definately change. It can not very well remain a peacefully community with and extra thousand residence and increasing traffic as well. The heavy trucks needed for building this project are sure to do damage to our streets and possibly our homes. Old homes such as the ones in this neighborhood are sure to develop cracks in the walls and / or ceilings. Will the city also be paying the residents to make any repairs for damage made to their homes?

Right now we have a friendly neighborhood, greeting one another in passing and carring on conversations with our neighbors. Bringing in so many new occupants the attitutude people have to one another is sure to change.

It will be those residents currently living in the area that will suffer the most. We will go from minimal traffic on our streets to an excess of large heavy trucks and building equiptment, as well as an abundance of noise and dust, followed by new occupant traffic. It is also unfair to that at some point our property taxes are certainly going to skyrocket.

As a former tour guide with the Niagara Parks Commission, the Niagara River Parkway is an enthralling sight. By developing a monstrousity of a building right in the middle of that will do nothing but take the attention away for the beauty. Niagara thrives on tourism, what tourist want to come and look at an eye sore in the middle of our breath taking city. Tourist do not want to see it therefore they will not want to come here, in turn jobs will be cut and no one will be able to afford to

live in the monstrousity anyway.

This is not a big city that can get away with putting up enormous buildings. We are a small town focused on tourism. This development is not required, or at least not in this area in which you are planning to put it. If you really feel the need to create such a monstrousity could you at least place it where people do not have to look at it.

Sincerely,

Karen Hein

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(Concerned Resident)



4468 Philip St. Niagara Falls, ON L2E 1A6 905 357-3568

May 29, 2006

Director of Planning and Development City Hall, 4310 Queen St. Niagara Falls, ON L2E 6X5

Reference: City file AM-06/2006-05-28

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing this letter in response to the request for amendments as per City File AM-06/2006 that would permit the construction of a twenty-nine-story condominium complex to be built on River Road between Philip and John Streets.

As a resident of Philip Street (and a life-long resident of Niagara Falls) I am asking that city council not approve this plan. Should this plan be approved it would most certainly create a traffic crisis in an already over-burdened area. Traffic from an additional two-hundred and fifty residential units with 1.4 vehicles each (based on proposed parking spaces per unit) on this small city block would be unreasonable at the best of times but during the summer months it would become impossible. The project developer's traffic study was conducted in January and does not accurately represent the traffic chaos in our area during the summer months. It also did not account for the closure of River Lane, (should this project be approved), which is used by area residents to gain access to Highway 420 because of the backlog of traffic on River Road. For this reason alone City Council should not deem River Road surplus and sell it off to the developers.

There are many areas in Niagara Falls that are in desperate need of re-development, this neighbourhood is not one of them. This development would destroy one of the most beautiful residential areas in our city, an area that is enjoyed by both tourists and residents alike. I ask that you continue to protect our beautiful Niagara River Parkway by adhering to the current height restriction of four stories, and to the respect the unique character of this residential neighbourhood that would literally be living in the shadows of this monstrosity.

Please note that I wish to be notified of the adoption of the proposed amendments.

Sincerely,

Debra Jackson

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