



Durand Neighbourhood Association Presentation to the City of Hamilton Planning and Economic Development Committee, June 20, 2006.

The Durand Neighbourhood Association Board, with input from its Members, has worked with Mr. Molinaro, and the more considerate Londonderry group, to insure a suitable development of this site. We supported the planned fewer number of townhouse units, but recognize the economics, and so are here to support this rezoning application ...but with concerns and requests.

We are concerned that the city Traffic Dept. has not proposed a stop sign southbound on Park at Robinson and Park, despite the anticipated increased traffic and new traffic flow. However, we request that the city follow-up the plan for monitoring and reviews, allowing for our input. The current Stop on Robinson for eastbound traffic at Park may not be enough.

Londonderry, at our Board meeting last week, assured us of several intentions:

1. There will be Walkways to/from the site on both North & South sides of the site.
2. The facades of both centre and end units will be of the heritage image shown in drawings discussed at length, copies of which we have been given.
3. A list of heritage pieces from the original Thistle demolition site was to have been supplied by Mr. Molinaro by now; we would ask that that list be part of the discussion and minutes of this meeting, to insure inclusion during Site Plan Approval.
4. When this list is available and Londonderry has had an opportunity to study, we are to be advised of their intended use/display on the site.
5. In order to hasten completion of a year-long request the Board has had with the Molinaro firm, namely to correct the unsafe and unsightly condition of the demolition site, Londonderry will not transfer any funds to Molinaro until the current grading is complete and the ugly hoarding and 2 other types of fencing are all removed.

On the positive side...

The Density is acceptable although we would have preferred the fewer units with common area building and more green space as earlier considered.

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Durand Neighbourhood Association