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Dear Mayor Scarpitti and City Councillors,

I am currently away on vacation so I cannot appear in person to this meeting. So I am writing to, yet again, express my opposition this development, as I have done in person at previous meetings, because:

- 650+ mature trees will be clearcut, destroying all the nature sustained by these trees in addition to their supply of oxygen to you and me. In 2025 it is inconceivable to entertain something as harmful to the environment and sustainability as this.
- it will ruin the peacefulness of our neighbourhood
- it will permanently destroy the habitat for the wildlife in and around the project
- it will add traffic to the already congested roads in our area
- it is the wrong location for such a huge development. The Bahai community deserves a more suitable location, in a spacious lot with proper safe access and sufficient parking, or a development on that land on a much smaller scale respectful to its surroundings
- years of loud and dirty construction will affect residents & wildlife
- there is a parking shortfall by 325 spots

- an inappropriate private hotel on the site will cause irreparable damage to the environment, water and the sewage system that is not prepared to handle it.

Hundreds of residents, like me, have shown up at Meetings, voiced our many well documented objections, and we have not been heard at all. We have not been invited to sit down to work something out. This is not how we operate and cooperate in Markham. I hope it is not too late for you to finally listen to a resident's suggestion.

Respectfully,

Judith Howard
Long time Markham resident
and member of Settlers Park Residents Association

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