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Subject: Re: TC letter
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Nice letter!!!

Good to go.

Selina

Sent from my iPhone

On May 26, 2020, at 4:59 PM, Henry, Molly MAH:EX wrote:

Hi Minister – as discussed, attached is a draft response to an inaccurate letter from last week's TC (below). MCJ doesn't have any concerns and supports getting accurate info out to the community. Let me know your thoughts.

Caledonia project not affordable enough

Re: "Affordable-housing project behind Vic High going to public hearing," May 8.

Recently, city council voted to send the Caledonia project to public hearing on the basis of its provision of affordable housing. Unfortunately, this project is nowhere near affordable enough. Only 18% of the proposed units are truly affordable. The rest will be middle-income suites in five- storey buildings.

This proposal is not supported by Fernwood's current neighbourhood plan and the city's official community plan. Vic High's green space, already less than what is required by the Ministry of Education, will be further reduced.

Other schools in the school district have a great deal more green space proportionately.

Let's keep the existing 18 units on the site and approve a smaller project with more low-income suites than the current 154-unit proposal provides.

Then let the Capital Regional Housing Corp. build the middle-class housing that makes up the bulk of the current Caledonia proposal on the extensive lands of these other schools.

Vic High is our inner-city high school. This project is a Trojan horse, touting its “affordability” while ushering in a whack of middle-income housing. We need housing at all levels but it is patently unfair to dump this project on Vic High’s scant land.

Let’s go for some equity here.

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