#### **Addendum 1 to Comments**

January 22, 2025 at 7 p.m. Committee of Adjustment

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# A/005/2025

363 Margaret Drive PLAN M62 BLK G

# Proposed

Under Section 45(1) of the *Planning Act*Zoning By-law 2014-014 requirements - RM4 sp88, Residential:

- 1. To permit 100% of the minimum parking to be uncovered.
- **2.** To permit three (3) storeys.

# Comments From:

Letters in Opposition- 1

Good morning, Sharon,

My name is Patricia Kirkwood, and I live at Slater Crescent, Oakville, I live within 60 meters of the subject property, 363 Margaret Dr E/S PLAN M62 BLK G, and I am writing in response to the Notice of Public Hearing Committee of Adjustment Application I received (file number A/005/2025).

As a resident close to this proposed development, I am **against** the proposed plan of Authorized Agent, Cynthia Zahoruk, Cynthia Zahoruk Architect Inc. I have lived in this neighbourhood for 23 years, and I feel that an additional housing development on Margaret Drive would not be advisable to the surrounding community and its members.

Greenspace is a necessity for the residents of this community, and the construction of the proposed housing on Margaret Dr. will take away the opportunity for us to enjoy the advantages of this beautiful space. Children play here; dogs are walked here; residents congregate here; long-weekend festivities are hosted here. Why take away the opportunities of such outdoor experiences, especially in an age where areas of grass, trees, and wildlife are so regarded as "healthy for humanity"? Surely there is another space in Oakville to develop housing that is not interfering with our much-used and sought-after greenspace. We are being encouraged to plant trees...not dig up greenspaces! How will another housing structure affect our environment in a day and age where clean air is being generated BY greenspaces??

Have you experienced the parking situation, alone, on Margaret Dr? On a good day, it is a windy road with cars parked on either side, providing limited availability for 2-way traffic. Now, think of this scenario in the night, not to mention in the winter...weaving in-between parked cars, having to watch for on-coming-one-lane traffic, residents exiting/entering cars, children crossing the road. It is by far not an ideal situation on a good day. The hazardous and disadvantaged parking and road accessibility situation will only increase with the addition of more cars (driving and parked) should a property be built on 363 Margaret Dr. The safety of residents, driving and walking, will be in jeopardy, not to mention the exhaust that will be emitted from increased volume of vehicles.

For those residents whose back yards face the park on 363 Margaret Dr, it would be a shame that their privacy is now in question. Regardless of the height of the proposed housing structure, people would be able to see into the houses and back yards on Elmwood (as an example). This is unfair to those families who purchased their properties based on the fact that there was greenspace in their back yards. The park and the playground on 363 Margaret was part of the decision-making factor for many families who purchased their homes in this area, not to mention the fact that it is a quiet part of the neighbourhood. The increase of noise pollution will also be an unwanted side effect of an additional housing structure.

The safety of not only the children in the daycare on Margaret Dr, but the residents in this general area will be compromised: increased vehicles on the road, increased vehicles that speed around the corner of Margaret Dr and Elmwood (if you live on this corner, like I do, you would see how the cars tear around this intersection...).

I recognize that there is a need for housing in Oakville; however, I strongly disagree that the property on 363 Margaret Dr be part of the solution to the situation. Please consider finding available land elsewhere.

Thank you for regarding my concerns. Please contact me should you have any questions/concerns regarding my response.

