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To: [Elisha Milne](#)
Subject: FW: Public meeting
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From: Jan Wilson [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2024 10:23 AM
To: Lindsey Green <lgreen@southgate.ca>
Subject: Re: Public meeting

Hello Lindsey

I will not be available to speak at the meeting scheduled for Wednesday, however I would like to have the following letter presented to council.

Would that be possible?

April 22, 2024

I am writing in regards to the proposed Zoning By-law amendment presented by Mr. & Mrs Ford. C6-24

My concern would be that approval of this proposal may set a precedent for future requests. By permitting a Garden Suite in this subdivision you will be opening the opportunity to all current and future residents to be able to apply for the same on their property.

Although County and Township Council have the ultimate responsibility to guide our future development, is this the future development the Township of Southgate is encouraging?

Do we want multiple residential units and/or garden suites permitted on 1-2 acre estate lots? Will our current infrastructure support this? What about environmental impact and preservation of green space? Will this enhance the livability in the area or discourage it?

Garden suites are a common way to create small homes for elderly family members but can also be used to create rental housing units. In addition to elderly needing housed, our younger generation needs assistance in finding homes in today's unaffordable market. Would future garden suites be available to them and/or be available for rental units? Can Council control or police who would be permitted to live in such units?

Although one garden suite may not alter the outline of our current subdivision,

future approvals would certainly destroy the character of it. Please carefully consider before making your decision what impact this approval would have on surrounding homes and their property values. Could this move impact future property taxes?

All of these issues are concerns of this neighbourhood, now and for the future. Thank you for your consideration of all these questions.

Jan Wilson