Correspondence from Warren Bell

From:
To: Mailbox, Clerks
Cc: Romlewski, Samantha

Subject: Waterfront Hotel Planning Study

Date: Monday, April 11, 2022 10:18:07 AM

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From: Warren Bell

Date: April 11, 2022 at 10:06:23 AM EDT

To: "Romlewski, Samantha" <Samantha.Romlewski@burlington.ca>

Cc: clerks@burlington.on

Subject: Waterfront Hotel Planning Study

Samantha indicated that I should send you my comments below before noon today. See my email to Samantha below.

Warren Bell

On Apr 11, 2022, at 9:56 AM, Romlewski, Samantha <Samantha.Romlewski@burlington.ca> wrote:

Good morning Warren,

Thank you for reaching out with your comments.

The Waterfront Hotel Planning Study findings are discussed in staff report PL-28-22 and in Appendix 1 of PL-28-22, Waterfront Hotel Planning Study Planning Justification Report prepared by The Planning Partnership. Staff report PL-28-22 is going to the Community Planning, Regulation and Mobility Committee (CPRM) tomorrow, in which staff recommend that City Council endorse in principle the study findings including a concept for 21 and 22 storey buildings on the property.

In a separate process, staff have reviewed the development applications submitted by the property owner for 30- and 35-storey buildings at 2020 Lakeshore Road. Staff are recommending refusal of the applications through staff report <u>PL-24-22</u> which will be discussed at Community

Planning, Regulation, and Mobility (CPRM) Committee tomorrow.

As the staff reports are already written, you have the opportunity to send your comments directly to CPRM Committee (Council members), by emailing your comments to the Clerks Department (clerks@burlington.ca) by 12 noon today so they can be included in the agenda package for tomorrow's meeting. After noon today, it would be too late to get on the meeting package but you could still email members of Council directly (e.g.: mayor@burlington.ca, ward2@burlington.ca, etc.).

For your information, here are the meeting details for tomorrow:

Meeting details
Community Planning, Regulation and Mobility (CPRM)
Committee
Tuesday, April 12, 2022
Beginning at 1 p.m.
Online - Council and Committee Live Stream

Thank you,

Samantha Romlewski

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From: Warren Bell

Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2022 6:49 PM

To: Romlewski, Samantha <Samantha.Romlewski@burlington.ca>

Subject: Waterfront Hotel Planning Study

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Hello Samantha. I am writing to you in your role as the staff lead on the Waterfront Hotel Planning Study, to express my concern and to offer potential solutions to this concern. My email is concise as I understand that you have received a significant level of interest in the study and have many suggestions to review.

I am most concerned with the potential congestion of both people and

automobile traffic on Elizabeth Street where, to the east, all residents (151 residential units + 6 commercial units) and hotel guests (Pearle Hotel) of the Bridgewater complex enter one parking garage at the bottom of the street near the traffic circle. Traffic is already at a high level now that the hotel is in full operation and the condominium is almost fully occupied with wait times growing at the lights to turn onto Lakeshore Road in either direction. The current drawings show only one entrance/exit onto Elizabeth Street for the new complex, which has a significantly more units than the Bridgewater complex.

In order to address this concern, may I suggest the following solution recognizing that others have offered suggestions to do the complete opposite. Here are the three adjustments that I propose:

- Move the buildings further west, reduce the space between buildings and add space to the east. This will provide a sight line to Lake Ontario from Elizabeth Street where we also have condos and people living. The viewing space from John Street to Lake Ontario is too large.
- Add another entrance to the development on either Brant Street or Lakeshore Road to ensure the sole access to the residences, commercial and hotel is not just from Elizabeth Street to avoid congestion and overburdening a small street.
- During construction, the development's staging location should be to the west away from Elizabeth Street, construction vehicles to be prohibited on Elizabeth Street and 8-10 foot solid hoarding fence to surround construction buildings to maintain cleanliness standards of the Pearle Hotel and Bridgewater Residences.

Thank you for considering my proposed solution to the concern.

Warren Bell

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