Letter to Councillor Brad Bradford

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- City Councillor Brad Bradford

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- City Mayor Olivia Chow
- Member of Provincial Parliament Mary-Margaret McMahon
- Member of Parliament Nathaniel Erskine-Smith

Subject: Please stand with residents & City staff in opposing rezoning at 847-855 Kingston Rd

Dear Councillor Bradford,

I am writing to thank you for your past commitment to protecting our ravines and to **urge you to oppose the proposed rezoning** and 11-storey redevelopment at 847-855 Kingston Road.

Why this file matters

- **City Planning & TRCA have both concluded** that the application conflicts with Official Plan policies on Healthy Neighbourhoods, Natural Environment and Built Form. They recommend that City Council direct staff to oppose the appeal at the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT).
- The building footprint **encroaches to the very edge of the Glen Stewart Ravine slope**, ignoring the minimum 10-m erosion-hazard setback and eliminating mature tree canopy critical for slope stability and biodiversity.

Residents are mobilized

Over the past month, **many of my neighbours have registered as Participants** for the upcoming OLT hearing, all echoing the City's opposition report. We are united in asking for:

1. **No rezoning** of Neighbourhood lands to Mixed Use;
2. **A minimum 10-metre setback** that is consistent with Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) Policy. This is imperative to maintain slope stability and to prevent further erosion and degradation.
3. **Maintain the mature tree canopy** required for slope stability and biodiversity.
4. **No height or density beyond what is currently designated**—consistent with other Environmentally Significant Area (ESA)-adjacent sites;
5. A commitment to explore **public acquisition** of the ravine-edge parcel, in line with the Ravine Strategy's "buffer lands" objective.

How you can help

- **Re-affirm publicly** that you will vote to defend the staff position at Council and instruct the City Solicitor to oppose the appeal.
- **Host a community meeting** before the Case Management Conference on May 14 so residents can hear directly from City Planning, TRCA and your office.
- Encourage the applicant to bring forward a **concept** that respects the ESA and still delivers new housing along Kingston Road.

Councillor, you have often said that climate resilience and thoughtful growth can go hand-in-hand. Protecting Glen Stewart Ravine is a perfect test of that principle. The ravine is a beautiful testament to our commitment to maintaining undisturbed ESA lands, and the important role they play in our Climate Action Plan. We hope you will stand with us—and with City experts—in saying that some places are too valuable to compromise.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further.Thank you for your leadership and your continued support of our community.

Warm regards,

<Your Name>
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