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Objet : Catherine Chauvin re: De Bullion & Marieanne

Dear Mme. Gauvin and M. Doray,

I am writing regarding the proposed zoning change for the property on the corner of Marie-Anne and De Bullion. Although I was unavailable to attend the public consultation on Monday, June 9th I did attend the previous meetings in 2001, and was dismayed to hear from my neighbor that no further studies regarding the impact of any proposed changes, particularly regarding traffic and parking, have been implemented.

As a resident of rue De Bullion for over a decade, I have witnessed the striking increase in density, frequentation, and traffic with a great alarm.

Within the past two to three years the increased risk to public safety has been noticeable. I regularly witness pedestrians menaced by careless and speeding drivers, and have in the past month alone observed the death of someone's pet, plus a serious collision between a cyclist and a car directly in front of the present municipal building. Given the age and demographic of the employees of Paris Star, I have difficulty believing that even one-half of the current employees will suddenly change their habits and utilize public transport. Even estimating conservatively, the repercussions of eighty to one hundred automobiles touring the area looking for parking are frightening, in particular for those with children.

Like many who voiced the same opinion in 2001, I have also appreciated the visual 'breathing space' that such a property offers, and would find it difficult and aesthetically appalling to see this space 'filled' with more property, particularly at the density current residential zoning prohibits. Then, we residents were unanimous that at least half the territory in question should be designated green space. While I recognize the need for more housing, I implore you to consider the quality of life of those for whom, this neighborhood is not just a 'hot' place to live, but simply our home, and recommend against the proposed changes.

With sincere thanks for your time and attention.

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