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RE: Application Number: A-26/21
60 Ontario St, Guelph

Dear Sir/Madam:

With regards to the request to amend zoning at the above mentioned property, I would like to deter the convenience store application, also, the parking amendment.

In the past the convenience stores in the neighbourhood have either become exterior/interior eyesores, rancid with urine, vast amounts of light polluting, garbage collecting, vape selling properties. Not at all suitable for the gentrification of the ward.

The current on-street parking is a nightmare with student rentals and the condo properties allowing space for only one car or charging for the second or both. While the parking wars have subsided somewhat since the lockdown due to the downtown commuters working from home, parking spots remain at a minimum.

Safety also an issue with the limited parking available, sight lines, narrow streets, bus routes/stops, vehicular traffic running the stop sign and speeding through our neighbourhood, the corner of Manitoba, Arthur, Ontario Streets is a nightmare for pedestrians, cyclists, drivers. The property at 60 Ontario Street should be responsible for its own clientele parking on site especially with 3 businesses!

Has this property had any permits? It is noted that the interior renovations have begun and the parking lot freshly paved. Is there not to be any soil remediation/testing/cleaning of the property as it was a gas station/garage in the past? Or was it sept under the tar?

As a resident of Ontario street since 1992, raising a family and running a business from home, I welcome new business in this neighbourhood, a convenience store without its own parking lot, is not it.

Kind regards,
Marie Nadvornik