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Subject: Answer to Councillor MacKinnon's question in Markham document

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Mayor Guthrie and Members of Council:

I thought you might be interested in this document from the City of Markham. It provides a response to some of the concerns and questions raised by Councilor MacKinnon in a recent meeting on parkland dedication rates.

<https://www.markham.ca/wps/portal/home/business/planning/planning-documents-and-studies/studies/parkland-dedication>

The document proposes a more finely-tuned By-law which addresses luxury apartments/condominiums and concerns about not compromising affordable housing or heritage initiatives:

Implement a graduated scale of parkland dedication for apartments with a floor space index of 3.0 or greater, within Intensification Areas as identified in the new Draft Official Plan.

Council may consider reductions or exemptions from parkland dedication for certain types of development including public uses, affordable housing, nursing homes, not-for-profit organization developments, and development within Heritage Conservation Districts.

Best,
Susan Watson