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Dear Mayor and City Council of PG,

I'm reaching out today regarding the rezoning application RZ100706 - Bylaw 9408 (6700 Southridge Avenue).

The infrastructure of College Heights Southridge area can't hold the number of people already moving into this community. We currently have four new apartment blocks within a 1 km span (do we need 6?). College Heights is already congested, and traffic is getting worse. We regularly have difficulty getting out of the Save On parking lot and Walmart. I'm not sure that Southridge Elementary can take any more students. I'm very concerned about more traffic as we've already seen an increase with the last four apartments. My understanding is that there are still apartments with empty suites. There is a considerable lack of street appeal when you build BOX institutional-looking buildings with no landscaping to make their buildings look like they fit into our residential communities. Box buildings with a parking lot and antlers and boxes and bikes on their balconies to use as storage. Take a look at the lack of landscaping and the abundance of weeds around the apartment behind Walmart. How is this okay? The council needs to hold developers accountable for better "fit" in neighbourhoods so that buildings are designed with an eye to aesthetics and landscaping rather than just fast completion.

Why isn't the city focusing on improving our downtown area? Research shows when there is normalcy in an area, there is less crime and fear of being downtown. An increased population density in the downtown area would be more effective than building in outer areas because of better transit access. There are areas that could be better developed instead of taking all of our green spaces- which add significant value to the environment, community and wildlife.

We sincerely hope you deny this application. Thanks for considering our concerns.

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