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This newsletter is the publication of The Toronto Party – Toronto's first non-partisan civic action party.

ABOUT THE TORONTO PARTY

The Toronto Party was created in October 2006 for the purpose of transforming city politics. It is our goal to run a Mayoral candidate and 44 city council candidates in the 2010 city election. We are in contact with residents in your community and are beginning a search for a candidate to stand against Councillor Davis in the next municipal election.

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YOUR VOICES CAN BE HEARD!

On October 22nd or 23rd, City Council will be voting on a proposal to approve the placement of a Community Health Centre by Access Alliance Multicultural Health Centre (AAMCHC) at St. Bernadette CSS, 90 Balfour Avenue.

We have been contacted by a local community resident seeking help to ensure that the proposal is defeated. It is our understanding that the immediate local community is opposed to the lease and that the process of community consultation to determine how the space in the school should be used was inadequate.

AAMCHC proposes to utilize some of the space, but use of the remaining space is unknown and residents are concerned about being kept in the dark. Given that the community has seen a disproportionate increase in social services in the area in the last few years, residents are concerned about preserving the remaining character of their small and quiet residential community. We have been told that residents are concerned that some of the space in the school will be used to service and accommodate nearby homeless shelter clients, which would be detrimental to the local community. Some area residents have advocated that the space be utilized in a manner that services the immediate neighbourhood instead of a manner that services the needs of residents in other neighbourhoods.

We understand that many residents from your community have tried to convince your local City Councillor, Janet Davis, to oppose the proposal that will be voted upon by council shortly. We understand that many residents feel defeated by the lack of support at City Hall.

However preserving the quality of life in your neighbourhood is a battle that you must continue to fight. People around our city have done this notwithstanding the odds of winning and have been successful.

Our organization was created for the purpose of offering hope to residents around our city who have lost the desire to fight for their communities. Accordingly, we are asking you to re-engage in the process and demand that your local councillor not support the proposal. We will let city council and the media know of our position, but it is important that they hear you as well.

MORE INFORMATION

More information about the issue is available at: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/EastYorkYappers/