

Attention: Daniel Kingsbury, Senior Planner, Peninsula Hub

Regarding the proposed building projects at 259 Elsinore Road, lots 2 & 3. I would like to put forth my STRONG opposition to the building project in response to the Consent Application Notice. My concern is the loss of farmland yet again in this area but also, as a direct neighbor and resident of Elsinore Road, my concern is the development and eventual loss of my rural neighbourhood. I moved here for the sole purpose of living out of heavily populated areas and within the past few years more and more houses are being built on this road. The construction trucks are destroying the roads, the noise...everything I wanted to get away from when moving out of populated areas. I feel that if something isn't said or done and no one stands up to state their concerns, those of us who chose rural living, lose our enjoyment and the solitude, valuable farmland is lost and again natural habitat is lost. This area seems to have lost the desire to protect farms or the natural green space, as I watch both in this area being developed at such a rapid rate, with little regard for future consequences. It's alarming that no one seems to want to address this, so I will throw my small voice in the ring and hope to be heard.

Please give some consideration to this opposition and consider the bigger picture. Please protect our farmlands and rural neighbourhoods and help control the threat of urban sprawling. Once this type of building and severance project is approved, that is setting a dangerous precedence, as there's no turning back and in the blink of an eye my rural neighbor is gone, like so many others and another farm is gone. Please remember "farms feed families" and they're not making farmland anymore, so when it's gone, it's gone. I ask that you consider going back to protecting farmland and green space and limit excessive severances of farmland/rural properties to instill the balance of protection and development again before it's too late.

I also feel the process for this opposition dissuades some folks from voicing their opinion, as stated that these comments will be made public and those of us who oppose, fear negative opposition from the developers and therefore it's an unfair balance, weighted on the side of the developers as there's already only a few voices that *can* oppose an intrusion on their rural neighbourhood.

Thank you for your time and consideration and I hope you will rule in favour of rethinking this development in my area and start by opposing turning a productive farm into 3 properties and starting a domino effect that is sure to begin. Take care and stay well.

Warm Regards,

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