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RE: 3710 Chesswood Dr. (019)

Dear Colleagues,

Before you today is a request to convert employment lands at 3710 Chesswood Dr. from employment to mixed use residential. I appreciate the sensitivity around employment land conversions and have worked over the years to protect other sites in my ward, however, this site represents a unique opportunity for growth that I feel is in line with our housing goals, and an improvement to this particular corner and neighbourhood.

The applicant has committed to having employment uses on this site for any future development, while also delivering community complete with a 100% affordable units. I believe in the vision for this site and see it as an important opportunity for the York Centre community. There is a subway and GO Station across the street and community assets planned south of the proposed site subject to the Downsview Secondary Plan

We are all aware of the housing crisis we are facing. I feel that the planned future for this site represents a thoughtful and inclusive vision, and retains employment uses.

I look to my colleagues for support.

With thanks,

Councillor James Pasternak
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