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I am writing on behalf of Environmental Defence to request to depute regarding the above item, PH12.3 - Expanding Housing Options in Neighbourhoods: Major Streets Study - Final Report at the May 9th meeting of Planning and Housing Committee.

The development of large numbers of six-storey apartment buildings within Toronto's *neighbourhood* designation is vital to Environmental Defence's efforts both to halt GTHA sprawl (by building enough housing in Toronto for everyone who would prefer to live here - including enough homes on neighbourhood streets for families who would otherwise be drawn to sprawl). However it is also vital to meeting Toronto's climate change obligations - by bringing all its neighbourhoods up to the densities (at least ~100/ha) that support car-free living.

Yours truly,

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