Community Association Response



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RE: LOC2023-0024 | 1802 & 1808 Westmount Rd NW | R-C2 to H-GO

The Hillhurst Sunnyside Planning Committee (HSPC) would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above application. We understand that the applicant/developer intends to re-designate the site from R-C2 to H-GO. The applicant indicated that the zoning would accommodate a row housing development including 10 primary units with secondary suites. We reviewed this application based on the Hillhurst-Sunnyside ARP. Our feedback within this letter includes what we heard from the Hillhurst Sunnyside Planning Committee following the virtual presentation by the developer at the HSPC's meeting on March 3, 2023.

The HSPC is pleased to see a row housing style development with frontage onto Kensington Road, allowing for activation of the pedestrian realm and the welcomed addition of eyes on the street. We are also happy to see the focus on family-friendly housing in the community and appreciate the inclusion of affordability and accessibility within this development.

As the applicant progresses their design towards the DP stage, the HSPC would like the developer to explore the following opportunities:

- Locating the balconies on the second floor rather than on the third floor to create better connectivity to the public realm and facilitate community interactions.
- Addition of class two bicycle racks to better support active forms of transportation within the community.

 Incorporate landscaping options that would work to create amenity space at ground level in front of the units. This would further contribute to the public realm and would allow for residents to take advantage of their front yards.

Please keep us informed as this application progresses.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment,

Hillhurst Sunnyside Planning Committee Hillhurst Sunnyside Community Association

cc: Executive, Hillhurst Sunnyside Planning Committee Rachel Smigelski, Planning Specialist, HSCA Ward 7 Councillor's Office