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Good Morning,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed condominium development at 326 Main Street in Schomberg. I believe that, if approved, this project would significantly and negatively impact both the character and functionality of our village.

The proposed seven-storey building would be entirely out of scale with the existing streetscape. Its height would overshadow nearby homes, casting significant shadows and disrupting the historic charm and aesthetic character that define Schomberg's Main Street. Developments of this magnitude are typically more appropriate for major arterial roads—not for the heart of a small village.

Additionally, Schomberg's infrastructure is not equipped to accommodate a development of this scale. The proposed parking allocation is insufficient and would likely result in overflow onto already-congested public parking areas. Parking is already a challenge in our village, and this issue has had a measurable impact on local businesses. Recently, two home décor and gift shops closed, with the owners citing a lack of foot traffic due in part to parking difficulties. If visitors are unable to easily find parking, they are unlikely to stop and shop.

This concern becomes more pressing during the winter months when overnight street parking is prohibited on Main Street. There appears to be no viable plan to accommodate the overflow parking this development would generate.

Traffic congestion is another serious concern. With on-street parking currently permitted on both sides of Main Street, traffic already moves slowly. The situation will be exacerbated by the 26 townhouses currently under construction at 66 Main Street, and it would worsen further should the 90-unit condominium at 326 Main Street be approved. Even if the current three-storey zoning limit is maintained, we can expect a substantial increase in traffic volume. Allowing a development of this size—potentially adding 180 vehicles or more—would place an unsustainable burden on our village's roadways.

I respectfully urge Council to reject this proposal and uphold the existing three-storey height limit for developments on Schomberg's Main Street. Protecting the scale, character, and livability of our community should remain a top priority.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Allison Ferrante