SUBMISSION TO PUBLIC CONSULTATION (Ending 28 FEB. 2020) ON PLANNING AND DESIGN CODE - PHASE 3 CITY OF PROSPECT

We wish to register our objections as follows:

1. **Objection to 350 zone as General Neighbourhood Zone**
   
   **We currently live in a 350 zone in the City of Prospect.** The new draft Code transfers this into a 300 General neighbourhood zone allowing greater intensity of development than what currently exists. City of Prospect’s 92 narrow streets will struggle to cope with row developments of 200 square metres which it also allows. The current 350 zone focuses on preserving character. It does not envisage a greater range and intensity development than the 300 block size. With Prospect Council’s three major roads as Urban Transport Corridors with high rise infill development, we understood we would not be required to have matching infill in our residential streets. We request that you move our 350 residential area into the Suburban Neighbourhood zone with Technical and Numeric Variations to match existing conditions.

2. **All Existing Residential Areas**  **Non-residential land use:** Currently shops, offices and educational establishments are non-complying in Prospect Council’s residential streets. The draft code will allow this development in all residential streets and negatively impact on traffic, parking, neighbours amenity, noise and liveability. It will completely change our suburbs’ character which we want to protect. This is not acceptable and these developments should be restricted developments in residential streets i.e. not allowed.

3. **All Existing Residential Areas**  **Site coverage and setbacks:** Under the proposed Code, building setbacks from both side and rear boundaries will noticeably decrease, particularly at the second storey. This will severely impact amenity and privacy and is not supported. We ask that existing site cover, set back and floor area criteria should be maintained throughout all Prospect Council’s residential areas. It is important that our current minimum allotment sizes, heights and frontages widths match what currently exists in each zone.

4. **Historic Area overlay**

   Contributory items (currently in Historic Conservation zones) need to be retained in the new Code. This needs to be done by using policy. Removing them from the current Code altogether will result in uncertainty and confusion for owners, neighbours and prospective buyers. Removal of contributory items is likely to lead to demolition. Retain existing protections and identification of contributory items.

5. **Public Notification**

   The Code should include notification for all development that increases development intensity, including additional dwellings on the site, two storey developments, earthworks where the new dwelling is located 600mm above ground level and change of use from residential to non-residential.

Yours Sincerely

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