



Applewood Hills & Heights Residents' Association

'Residents Caring for our Community'

Date: Monday, February 13th, 2023

To: City of Mississauga Clerk's office and City of Mississauga Council,

For Wednesday, February 15th, 2023, Council Meeting, In reference to Agenda Item #7.1 Deputation

From: Athina Tagidou on behalf of the Applewood Hills & Heights Residents' Association (AHHRA) Members

Re: AHHRA's Survey on Delta Bingo's current relocation proposal to Rockwood Mall & possible addition of liquor and slots at a later date – Responses received from AHHRA members. This Submission is 6 pgs.

On Thursday, Dec. 22nd, 2022, AHHRA members were sent the survey questions below regarding the November 3, 2022, Public Notice update in the Mississauga News of Delta Bingo's plans to relocate to Rockwood Mall.

As a neighbouring ratepayers' group, we would like to share with you the responses from AHHRA members who responded to the following Delta Bingo Relocation Proposal's survey questions:

What is your position on the relocation of Delta Bingo from its current location to Rockwood Mall?

Survey is open until Thursday, Dec. 29th, 2022.

1. Do you **Agree, Disagree or Not Concerned** about Delta Bingo's relocation to Rockwood Mall?
2. If you agree, do you support only a Bingo Hall or a Bingo Hall with liquor and slot machines?

Below are the responses received from 43 AHHRA members with the overall summary noted at end of responses on page 6. For privacy reasons, the position and any comments made by members are noted.

	Agree/Disagree/Not Concerned	Additional Comments
1.	I DISAGREE with Delta Bingo's proposed move to Rockwood Mall.	This mall is a community mall, that provides essential services (food, clothing, banking, medical, etc.) to the residents of ward A gambling facility is NOT an essential service. It does not add to the community in any way. It attracts gamblers from throughout Mississauga and beyond - separating people from their hard-earned money, that could be used for more essential needs of individuals and families. To try to identify this mainly as a charity supporter is sad and untrue. I would rather see a business occupy the Rona store that would be of great need and benefit the residents of this area.
2.	Not interested.	If the application is granted, the purpose should ONLY for bingo purposes and NO SLOT MACHINES AND NO ALCOHOL AT ALL .
3.	Disagree	Bingo only, no alcohol or slot
4.	Agree	Only a bingo hall
5.	Disagree	If however, if it happens for it only to have BINGO. Such businesses should not be allowed in any city areas that are residentially zoned.
6.	Disagree. No to the Bingo relocation to Rockwood.	
7.	Agree	I don't mind it being at the same location. If it's relocated to Rockwood Mall, I strongly agree for it to be a Bingo Hall only.

	Agree/Disagree/Not Concerned	Additional Comments
	8. I agree with the bingo at Rockwood mall.	I am very opposed to slot machines and alcohol being served.
	9. Agree	But no to alcohol and no to slot machines.
	10. I am not concerned about bingo being played there.	<p>They do not need to sell alcohol as they make millions from the bingo alone.</p> <p>As part of our church, I helped run bingo at Delta.</p> <p>Most of the clients are lonely women looking for a night out.</p> <p>They pose no risk to society. I did not see anyone drunks there.</p> <p>The only possible issue is traffic but there is plenty of parking at Rockwood.</p> <p>The games at night attract the most participants so traffic flows should not be an issue.</p> <p>Besides the mall needs tenants to remain viable.</p> <p>I agree that other forms of gambling should not be allowed and yes - no alcohol sales.</p>
	11. I do not approve of Delta Bingo Hall being moved to Rockwood Mall.	<p>The area around Rockwood Mall is already very congested.</p> <p>On the south corner medical bldg and shopping plaza.</p> <p>On the west south side church, church, construction and a small squeezed in plaza.</p> <p>The Rockwood Mall Plaza itself has a large shopping centre facing Rathbun.</p> <p>Needless to say, high density high traffic area.</p> <p>Burnhamthorpe and Dixie corner is notorious for accidents as well as the stretch on Dixie Rd. from Rathbun to Bloor st . These spots already are high accident areas.</p> <p>Ask for statistics on accidents (and crime) at the corner of Burnhamthorpe and Dixie as well as Bloor and Dixie, even Dundas as Dixie and area. Going on Burnhamthorpe West and East is like driving in downtown Toronto.</p> <p>Same in any other direction from this corner.</p> <p>For pedestrians crossing in any direction in this corner as well as general area is a serious safety issue.</p> <p>For the geographic area by Burnhamthorpe library, Silver Spear and Hickory the traffic surge as people trying to avoid the traffic calming area on Golden Orchard is already a concern for pedestrians and local drivers. A fire hall and ambulance station at Winding Trail adds to the need for less congestion not more if these services can function in acceptable time.</p> <p>The density increase with a Bingo Hall is definitely not supported by a very congested geographic area already marked for the construction of high rises. Statistics on accidents, police presence and crime will demonstrate a high occurrence and unfortunately homeowners in the area are paying more taxes yet not being heard.</p> <p>The concept that more people attending the bingo hall will bring in more business is not a reality. Check with stores near the present location.</p> <p>Alcohol being served for so many people driving home after hours is a very dangerous concept.</p> <p>Unfortunately, the process of asking for input is just a process. Our local politicians follow their own concepts.</p> <p>Find a location that is industrial not residential or spacious not as congested as Rockwood Mall and area.</p> <p>The infrastructure does not support this.</p>

		14.1.4. Well..I guess you can tell the answer is no..I do not support this concept. I guess the approval rate is the thought of perhaps increased \$\$\$ for the city and perhaps stores?
12.	I disagree.	I don't support any gambling activities.
13.	Not agree. But should it happen -	Only Bingo Hall. No alcohol or slot machines.
14.	Disagree	Rockwood Mall is not an appropriate location for a bingo hall, with or without slots. Period.
15.	Agree	
16.	I am not concerned about the relocation to Rockwood Mall.	I WOULD NOT want liquor and slot machines.
17.	Agree	I don't really know anything about the old bingo hall other than I would see it when I drove by during the day. I thought it was a hang out for senior citizens. So I don't know what the reasons are for being concerned, but I would support the Rockwood residents in being against having alcohol and gaming machines. My view on gambling is that it's an hour or two of entertainment a few times a year at a casino, and not an activity to participate in on a regular basis because it's in my neighborhood. I wonder what the bingo attendees think.
18.	I disagree.	I disagree with this move and if it happens, it'd rather it be just bingo.
19.	Agree	Bingo only
20.	Disagree	I disagree unless good reason why they have to move and if so, definitely no slots
21.	We would be in favour of the move, depending on use.	We would be in favour for BINGO ONLY. We definitely would NOT be in favour if slots and alcohol were to be included. In our opinion, this only spells more trouble than already is present in a primarily residential area.
22.	Agree	No to slot machines. No to alcohol.
23.	Agree	I am ok with the slots but definitely not alcohol.
24.	Agree	But I do not agree to the alcohol and for sure no slots.
25.	I support moving the venue to Rockwood Mall as a Bingo Hall venue only.	I <u>do not agree</u> with any slot machines or alcohol to be part of this proposal.
26.	I agree with the relocation to Rockwood Mall.	I do not agree with serving alcohol or putting slot machines at the new location.
27.	Disagree: We are opposed to the relocation of the bingo hall to Rockwood.	<p>We live near Rockwood Mall. We are also opposed the introduction of gaming machines and to a liquor license. (Note - not just "slot machines", but all casino gaming machines)</p> <p>Our comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bingo halls across Ontario are evolving into casino-like establishments filled with electronic gaming machines. This is a slippery slope that is evident and inevitable even if the operators claim "just bingo" will be there. The popularity of bingo is decreasing and at least 37 bingo halls in Ontario have already been converted into "modernized" gaming centres (references attached). - The support of charities would be offset by social and financial harm to our community. Vegas-style gaming machines feed into gambling addiction with very serious consequences to addicts and their families. <p>The trend enabled by the gaming machines is that the size of bets is larger and the pace of betting is faster, so people can quickly lose large amounts of money. (See the Toronto Star article below).</p>

		<p style="text-align: right;">14.1.4.</p> <p>- Electronic gaming machines attract money launderers whom we do not want in our neighbourhood.</p> <p>- The Dixie/Burnhamthorpe corner is a heavy traffic area. Adding a nearby bingo casino-style establishment with a liquor license and long hours would increase the possibility of DUI traffic accidents in the area.</p> <p>- As an alternative to being patrons of gaming centres, people who like bingo should be allowed to play in community centres as a social activity (it is illegal to play for nickels and dimes in Ontario!). Mayor Bonnie Crombie, in 2016, called on the Ontario government to change its gaming laws (see CBC article link below).</p> <p>- Here are links to articles about bingo halls in Ontario. https://ggbnews.com/article/how-ontario-lottery-gaming-turned-bingo-halls-into-slot-parlors/ https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/seniors-illegal-bingo-mississauga-mayor-gaming-1.3644644 A Toronto Star article is attached as a PDF file. [link is noted here: https://www.thestar.com/business/2022/08/12/star-investigation-finds-olq-quietly-transformed-dozens-of-bingo-halls-into-de-facto-casinos-despite-slot-machine-ban.html</p>
28.	Agree	No problem with the relocation in any form proposed.
29.	Strongly Disagree	<p>From the Delta Bingo "PROPOSAL" dated on October 24th. "We have secured a 15,000sq. ft. location at 4141 Dixie Road just 3.3km from our current location which already has the permitted zoning for a bingo hall." I'm leary that zoning would so easily include approval for this. This was a very slick presentation; they are pushing hard for this. Of the 30 plus local charities and non profits listed they haven't identified which ones deal with "Gambling addictions". They are providing glossy details of their "Benefits to the Community".</p> <p>Where is the contradicting arguments from ARF (Addiction Research Foundation)? Or other community groups, churches, etc.</p> <p>Contact person: Michael McGinnis Board President Mississauga Delta Halt Charities Association 905-238-3228 / mmcginms3111@rogers.com</p> <p>I'd like to quote a past article that I'd read about the review of the application submitted to the city of Montreal for a Casino. Montreal decided that the best approach was to put a casino on an Island, away from residential areas. It would make it hard for people to get to.</p> <p>Let social problems Delta Bingo has a good location now. Its in an industrial area, away from residences. Upcoming upgrades to the Dundas St public transportation corridor should make it even more enticing to stay in its present location.</p> <p>Why has Delta said that they are leaving Dundas Street? To get closer to residential areas? Will this increase their traffic? What affects will it have on the community? I'm not sure how Deltas revenues are shared with the province, or Addiction Services. They are a business looking for profits ultimately. BUT I know that there are enough thrift shops along Dundas, similar clientele I'd think. Why would this benefit Rockwood Mall, and area? Unless there is a lucrative lease agreement there. Lots of social problems will follow this too.</p> <p>First, I received this notice from C Fonseca on Dec 22, 2022 (after the deadline submission). So, C Fonseca, and Delta Bingo, sent this at Xmas to hide possible community involvement and retaliation and</p>

		14.1.4. Secondly....These mailing addresses are general mailboxes for either party. Who am I addressing these to directly? I need to know who is directly responsible for this. These stinks of bureaucracy. No one is accountable here. This is a rubber stamp approval process. Similar to the Bloor Athletic field.
30	Agree	But, NO alcohol and NO slot machines
31.	Agree	I'm in favour of the Bingo function but certainly not slots or alcohol.
32.	Not concerned	-----
33.	Not Agree	Too busy of an area to add something like this.
34.	Not Agree	This may increase the crime in the area, and this is something we don't need.
35.	Agree	Yes, I am ok with the liquor licence and to the slots. I have no problem with this relocation.
36.	Disagree	
37.	Agree	I would agree that a bingo hall should be allowed. I know a lot of people like to play, and the mall as a whole would probably benefit from the additional traffic a bingo hall would generate. If slot machines and drinks would help make the business viable that should be allowed too. All such services have to abide by provincial regulations.
38.	Not concerned	
39.	Agree	I do not have a problem with a Bingo Hall located there. I do not wish to see Slot Machines, but Bingo is ok..
40.	Disagree	A Bingo Hall will very unlikely provide any benefit to the main Rockwood Mall since the Rona space is standalone. Very little spillover benefit. Bingo halls thrive at standalone locations with extensive parking. Rockwood Mall is already a parking nightmare. I was there yesterday, and cars are practically hitting each other as navigation is extremely difficult through the parking lot. I support Bingo but in non-residential areas only. I do not support Delta at the old Rona location. It is not good for Delta Bingo or the Rockwood Mall area. Delta will not generate favourable revenues here as the parking is not adequate and there is not a lot of foot traffic. Delta would perform better on a Dundas location like near Hurontario and Dundas.
41.	Disagree	I disagree with the relocation of the Delta Bingo Hall to Rockwood Mall. First and foremost, I strongly object to a venue with slots and alcohol. Relocating the bingo hall may eventually lead to the addition of slots and alcohol at the proposed venue. Slots and alcohol nearby to our community, which is largely residential, will most likely lead to traffic congestion, late night disruptions and crime in the neighbourhood.
42.	Agree	I agree with moving the bingo hall to Rockwood Mall. I support slot machines. I do not support alcohol.

		14.1.4.
43.	Disagree	<p>I don't want the bingo hall to be relocated at all, let it stay where it is. If it is absolutely not avoidable relocate it far away from residential areas near industrial sites.</p> <p>Definitely NO LIQUOR NO SLOT MACHINES OF ANY KIND.</p> <p>The bingo hall is a recreational facility for people and mostly seniors who need to get away from their apartments and have some interaction with others in an outside setting. This is the only Charitable function this serves. When will these greedy politicians stop making a buck at the expense of the residents? We are sick and tired of their gimmicks and pretences. The Councillors of Wards should smarten up and stop converting their wards into dens of vice and gambling a la Las Vegas or Las Mississauga. Hey, you politicians your nonsense must stop now.</p>
44.	Agree	No alcohol and no gaming tables or slots. Just BINGO only (although I realize this is a type of gambling, but the stakes are not as high).
45.	Disagree	Not Suitable for ROCKWOOD MALL. Too near to a residential area

Overall Summary of 45 responses:

- Agree to Relocation - No to alcohol and slot machines 17
 - Agree to Relocation - Yes to alcohol and slot machines 3
 - Agree to Relocation - Yes to Slot machines but no to Alcohol 2

- Not Agree to this Relocation at all 19

- Not Concerned About this matter 4

Thank you.

Sincerely,
 Athina Tagidou
 On behalf of the AHHRA

From: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
To: [Angie Melo](#)
Subject: FW: RHA Response to Relocate Delta Bingo
Date: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 10:33:41 AM
Attachments: [RHA comments from survey - all 2023-02-13 \(3\).pdf](#)

From: RHA Board <rha.executive@gmail.com>
Sent: February 14, 2023 12:14 AM
To: City Clerk (External) <City.Clerk@mississauga.ca>; Anika.Szabo@agco.ca
Cc: Chris Fonseca <Chris.Fonseca@mississauga.ca>; Rasheed, Kaleed <kaleed.rasheed@pc.ola.org>
Subject: Re: RHA Response to Relocate Delta Bingo

Regrettably, the comments attached to our survey were not included in the original statement. Our apologies.



Dale Biason, President

Rockwood Homeowners' Association

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On Tue, Feb 14, 2023 at 12:00 AM RHA Board <rha.executive@gmail.com> wrote:

Further to our previous submission dated December 20th, 2022 we would like to add some additional comments based on meetings with the city staff, Delta Bingo, our Board Members and our community.

1. A meeting was held with Delta Bingo and the RHA Board. At this meeting we were advised that the bingo would strictly be the relocation of the facility on Mattamy, no slots and no alcohol. However, during a community meeting on February 9th, Delta advised that if the opportunity arose, they would apply to change the venue to include slot machines and alcohol. A Bingo Hall is one thing, adding slot machines would change the total dynamic and is not acceptable with the community. **We request the city include a clause or covenant in the permit to prevent the possibility of ever allowing slot machines in the property.**
2. While a bingo only hall may have relatively low security incidents, people are leaving the establishment often with large amounts of cash. With the police overwhelmed with car thefts in this area, the only time police can be counted on to attend a scene is when someone is injured. Putting a casino in an upscale neighbourhood gives criminals the opportunity to stake out our neighbourhood and potentially increase the crime rate even further.
3. Delta has requested and received a permit on January 11th for an entertainment establishment under the current zoning for 4141 Dixie Rd. It is our understanding that as an entertainment establishment is defined as an amusement or entertainment venue without active participation by the users. As Bingo is a game that is played by the participants, this would appear to be outside the description of acceptable use. **We**

request that the city review the use of this hall to ensure that it meets the criteria.

4. Rockwood Mall is a suburban mall and primarily caters to vehicular traffic. Although there are several bus routes servicing the area, the stores are set back at a distance that would be difficult for pedestrians to navigate through the parking lot to the proposed site. In the past, the mall was asked to provide a safe passage into the mall for seniors entering the mall from Bough Beeches Blvd. by providing a sidewalk. They declined. There is no reason to believe that they would ensure the pedestrians safe passage through the large parking lot particularly with the anticipated increase in traffic. Furthermore, there have been many fatal accidents on Dixie Rd in front of the plaza. **The city needs to look into the existing entrances and ensure that they can not only handle the current volume but the anticipated increases.**

5. Based on the assumption that since there was to be no alcohol or slot machines, as per our original discussion with Delta Bingo, a new survey was posted on our website with a simple yes or no answer. This survey was compromised, but the comments are attached. Since the parameters have changed back to the original, per the statement from Delta that slots and alcohol are still on the table, we stand with our original results that **67.74%** of the respondents answered that they were against the bingo hall at Rockwood Mall. During the two public meetings, there was little support for allowing a Bingo Hall in Rockwood Mall.

Regards—



Dale Biason, *President*

Rockwood Homeowners' Association

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70.50.212.199 Feb 13, 2023 8:16:51 PM

Delta Bingo and Gaming should not be located adjacent to a family subdivision. It should be located in an industrial or commercial area.

Reply



99.245.59.53 Feb 13, 2023 6:25:22 PM

This is an inappropriate line of business for this shopping mall. To allow this type of business into the this mall (Rockwood), would bring undesirable results.

Reply



99.247.10.102 Feb 13, 2023 6:13:52 PM

No I do not want next to my house definitely This is not industrial zone You're supposed to be in industrial zone not in the neighborhood

Reply



64.229.235.99 Feb 13, 2023 6:08:49 PM

We are worried our neighbourhood will have an affluent of people that like gambling and with that comes addiction, homeless and drug and alcohol use. No bingo at rock wood

Reply



99.247.10.102 Feb 13, 2023 5:48:33 PM

I do not want a casino bingo hall in my neighborhood. I have young children, I don't want that kind of thing in around my place. I already pay alot of taxes to live here. That kind of business hurts are neighborhoods. Just having a local bar there has weid ppl around.

Reply



73.54.100.221 Feb 13, 2023 5:45:31 PM

As a long time resident, and long time bingo player, I do not support the relocation of Delta Bingo to Rockwood Mall. While the current location does not offer casino gaming, Delta made it clear that at the first opportunity to include slot machines, they would do so. The addition of that type of gaming changes the whole dynamics, the hours of operation and the clients.

Reply



User765675744 Feb 13, 2023 12:43:29 PM

IM SUPORT support a bingo hall at this location

Reply



38.117.127.99 Feb 13, 2023 10:23:41 AM

We know it will start out as bingo and eventually the slot machines will follow. Once this happens, cue in the increase in susceptibility to crime, addiction, and late night shenanigans. None of that belongs in a residential neighbourhood. Keep these in the industrial zones. It also appears that Rockwood Village and Applewood residents have been blind sided with this proposal (which appears to be moving towards approval) and it feels there is nothing we can do about it at the moment. But we can do something at the next municipal elections and voicing your disapproval with your vote.

Reply



142.114.246.228 Feb 13, 2023 9:09:05 AM

This is a residential neighbourhood and this is not appropriate.

1 Reply



209.171.88.29 Feb 12, 2023 9:40:30 PM

If Delta Bingo has signed a 10 year lease and has their approval going to local council for approval without the area Councillors knowledge it speaks volumes. It would appear Delta Bingo knows they have the votes no matter that the residents who live right beside it and in the neighborhood do not want a gambling site. It would appear that some councillors will live up to their stereo type they do not represent the residents.

Reply



99.245.217.73 Feb 12, 2023 9:10:44 PM

This is an inappropriate line of business for this shopping mall. To allow this type of business into the this mall (Rockwood), would bring undesirable results. Please consider another location such as Dixie and Aimco, etc..

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



216.209.12.52 Feb 12, 2023 7:29:31 PM

Kim P. of Applewood posted on NextDoor app that the Arcade-like machines had the same permits as the paper daubber-version. I oppose of a gambling establishment in our neighbourhood.

👍 1 🗨️ Reply



198.200.85.110 Feb 12, 2023 6:42:57 PM

I attended the in person information session and I am disappointed in the misinformation being spread in the comments. The largest users of the previous location are senior women and there have been no security incidents in the hall or parking lot. There will no alcohol and there will no slot machines. I think it will be a great opportunity to socialize with my friends.

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



135.23.167.229 Feb 12, 2023 12:33:28 PM

I DO NOT support a bingo hall at this location.

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



173.34.103.131 Feb 12, 2023 10:51:38 AM

I absolutely do NOT agree with placing a Bingo Hall at Rockwood. It will change the landscape of the Rockwood neighbourhood. I agree that no Bingo hall should be adjacent to any senior homes for reasons already mentioned by others. Furthermore, Bingo is not innocuous, it's certainly not the same game we may have known from years ago—<https://www.cbc.ca/amp/1.2775183> It does NOT belong in within any residential neighbourhood and certainly not near any senior residents! I will no longer shop at Rockwood Mall if this occurs.

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



76.64.166.199 Feb 12, 2023 9:21:43 AM

I would conent to the establishment of a Bingo Hall at the Rockwood Mall ONLY on the condition that ZERO gambling or alcohol are being used and served at the premises. This is basic demand of the Rockwood Residents that could and should be strongly upheld by the City. If the City agrees to and upholds this requirement, I see no objection to the establishment of a Bingo Hall which is a form of entertainment that is free of gambling or alcohol.

👍 1 🗨️ Reply



142.127.6.25 Feb 11, 2023 8:30:28 PM

This is the wrong location for the bingo hall. It is a residential area and it should provide more applicable services for the community to benefit from. Not just the bingo hall owners and the mall owners. Also increased traffic and congestion in an already busy corridor. Disappointing that they think this is a done deal. Doesn't say much for our politicians!

👍 1 🗨️ Reply



99.246.205.120 Feb 11, 2023 6:55:55 PM

I think a restaurant/coffee shop/bakery will be a better alternative for the empty building

👍 4 🗨️ Reply



216.10.229.109 Feb 11, 2023 4:42:29 PM

I am the manager of one of the Retirement homes on Bough Beeches Blvd., and this Bingo Hall would only increase the risk of one of my seniors being hit by a car. Regardless of what Delta says, there would be an increase of cars in the parking lot and a higher chance of a shopper or walker being hit by one of those cars. The parking lot at Rockwood Mall has small entrances/exits that are already congested, especially on the weekends. Now you add even another 50 cars per game, and the entrance/exit by Shoppers Drug Mart will be packed. Simply put, Bingo Halls, casinos or any gaming center, do not belong in small, residential malls - especially ones who prime clientele are seniors. Delta - be smart, because when something happens, and it will, it won't be good publicity for you

👍 4 🗨️ Reply



216.209.13.98 Feb 11, 2023 2:43:17 PM

I strongly do not support having a bingo hall and slot machines in our local neighbourhood. The risk of addiction to gambling and its associated negative behaviours would increase in our community, which would have many socioeconomic and economic implications.

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



24.212.214.139 Feb 11, 2023 1:38:45 PM

I agree with many of the comments previously provided. I am disappointed that Delta Bingo has already signed a lease with Rockwood without the local community being made aware of their new location and having an opportunity for our input. I, for one, will not be visiting Delta Bingo now or in the future. And, I will be severely limiting my visits to Rockwood Mall. They obviously do not care for our community. Anything that can be done to stop this is most welcome.

👍 3 🗨️ Reply



184.145.252.251 Feb 11, 2023 12:57:16 PM

We have stated to Fonseca that we, the community of Rockwood DO NOT SUPPORT DELTA coming to Rockwood Mall. We requested the counsellor send out flyers to inform the entire community. This did not happen - why? I feel that we as a community, have NO say - why is that? We live in a democratic society do we not? The Delta Casino, yes Casino, not Bingo Hall will affect our community in a negative way by attracting the wrong crowd, causing traffic and affecting the value of our homes and our sense of safety. We have communicated to the counsellor that there has been an uptick of criminal activities in our community including house break-ins, car break-ins, property damage etc. - nothing has been done to help us with this either! This Casino will only make things worse!
PLEASE DONT APPROVE

👍 3 🗨️ Reply



142.114.244.135 Feb 11, 2023 12:50:54 PM

There is no place for a Bingo Hall in our community.

👍 1 🗨️ 1 Reply



99.247.17.1 Feb 11, 2023 12:27:38 PM

Absolutely do not support a bingo hall in our residential mall plaza. There are better uses for that area to upgrade our plaza and be more inclusive of our citizens.

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



99.246.226.3 Feb 11, 2023 12:22:22 PM

I see comments that Delta will bringing more people to the mall. Perhaps it will, but in spirts. There would be more # of people without volume of spend at the local business. Regular local resident/shoppers (like me) will now avoid the mall. You'll lose consistent customers. Delta is one set of "customers" and ppl going out to shop are another set of customers. What's the real cost benefit analysis here. I'm not opposed to Delta, every business has its place. A disco, bar, strip club, bingo hall are businesses which need to exist....they just have their own set of considerations, appropriate locations and set of circumstances. Having either of these at a small local mall on a main residential hub/intersection is not appropriate to put it mildly.

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



99.246.159.201 Feb 11, 2023 12:05:14 PM

I do NOT support bingo at the Rockwood location. Mostly due to parking in the mall and the impact on the surrounding streets. As a resident of the Beechwood Independent Living Seniors Residence and a driver I bank at the Bank of Montreal at Rockwood Mall. Parking is a concern of mine personally but traffic at the entries, both Burnhamthorpe and Dixie, present a danger. I know of at least one fatality at the lights on Dixie due to the current congestion. Bingo will only make this worse.

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



216.209.13.240 Feb 11, 2023 11:51:55 AM

The traffic volume at certain times will be enormous and could jeopardize pedestrian safety. Need to switch shopping to other nearby malls in Etobicoke and Mississauga if council approves move of Delta bingo to Rockwood Mall.

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



173.34.103.131 Feb 11, 2023 11:43:07 AM

I am concerned about the impact this will have to the surrounding residential neighbourhood. I am especially concerned knowing that there are several senior's residents right across the street (e.g., Bough Beeches, The Beechwood). My volunteer work has allowed me to be part of these seniors communities. Many no longer drive and this would provide readily available access to Bingo entertainment at Rockwood Mall. This is no coincidence in my humble opinion. No gaming should ever be allowed to be placed adjacent to a residential area, especial to any senior residents. Although it's nice to know that Charities benefit from this, however we all have a duty NOT to put the most vulnerable in harms way.

👍 3 🗨️ Reply



76.64.166.31 Feb 11, 2023 11:18:08 AM

For many of the reasons offered below, and recognizing the recently revealed complicity of Rockwood Mall in all of this, some of us, and possibly many of us, will be moving our business to Kingsbury Centre, Tomken Plaza and/or other nearby shopping areas.

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



99.245.206.81 Feb 11, 2023 10:14:48 AM

Main concern are not the clients using the bingo hall. But rather the additional traffic getting in and out as well as the strong possibility of having gaming machines in the future. Once Delta is in, we can't get them out! I'm angry that they already signed a lease before all the hearings started!

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



199.243.244.155 Feb 11, 2023 10:07:50 AM

Don't support the bingo hall moving to Rockwood Mall.

👍 3 🗨️ Reply



199.243.244.155 Feb 11, 2023 10:06:20 AM

Our family does not endorse the Bingo Hall coming to Rockwood Mall. They can relocate elsewhere and still provide donations to charity and youth groups. Chris F. I hope you are listening to your constituents.

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



99.245.83.0 Feb 11, 2023 9:48:12 AM

This brings in the wrong crowd to a quiet family community

👍 2 🗨️ Reply



65.95.136.139 Feb 11, 2023 9:46:06 AM

I do not support Delta Bingo moving into Rockwood Mall because this location cannot handle the significant influx of cars bingo sessions will bring and will pose a serious danger to the community. I do support charitable bingo in general but not in this location.

👍 1 🗨️ Reply



99.245.83.0 Feb 11, 2023 9:44:05 AM

This is a safe and quiet community filled with families. My wish is to keep all outside parties from visiting the area in order to keep the area devoid of gamblers and betting addicts. The addition of a Bingo hall will plummet the value of the properties and families will flee the area. This is a TERRIBLE idea. I have lived here for 40+ years and I will leave if this happens!

👍 1 🗨️ Reply



174.93.99.65 Feb 11, 2023 8:21:59 AM

I feel like this is going to compromise safety in the area. It's a very residential area with alot of growing families and this isn't the type of business we should be adding to our community . Gambling doesn't always bring around the "best" crowd

👍 1 🗨️ Reply



174.93.99.65 Feb 11, 2023 8:17:04 AM

It's going to make our area unsafe and congested

👍 🗨️ Reply



76.70.92.217 Feb 10, 2023 10:48:11 AM

An Excellent choice. Bring people back to Rockwood Mall. Do you want to have a comm unity mall where seniors gather and shop? Or do you want Condo Towers in place of Rockwood Mall, Like they are doing to Cloverdale Mall and all other Smaller community malls?

👍 1 🗨️ 5 Reply



99.245.17.161 Feb 9, 2023 9:42:30 PM

Traffic is already a mess at Rockwood mall and we have already seen fatal accidents coming out of that mall onto Dixie. Other exits such as to Bough beeches are poorly designed for pedestrians and cause significant risk. There is also a few retirement homes in the vicinity and their personal safety will be put at risk. This is a terrible idea and will compromise public safety.

👍 4 🗨️ 1 Reply



99.246.132.61 Feb 9, 2023 9:41:26 PM

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👍 🗨️ Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:44:13 PM

We need more people at Rockwood

👍 🗨️ 2 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:42:05 PM

I'm a parent of a youth and volunteer at Delta bingo to raise funds for my son hockey team. This great

👍 🗨️ 2 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:38:18 PM

We need consumers in the mall. Bingo players are consumers too. We need them others wise it will be the end of Rockwood mall... welcome Delta bingo

👍 🗨️ 3 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:35:37 PM

Rockwood is dying... we need more people Delta is a big help, they bring people

👍 🗨️ 1 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:34:03 PM

Good for the mall... more people

👍 🗨️ 1 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:32:16 PM

Good move

👍 🗨️ 1 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:29:22 PM

We are members of the Knights of Columbus. We help Seniors, homeless, cancer care, food bank and we volunteer to run bingo. Moving is positive f

👍 🗨️ 2 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:22:17 PM

I'm a volunteer coach for sports that receive funding from Delta Bingo. We also volunteer to manage bingo. The funding is a very big help to the sports activities of our team and young people. It's positive for bingo moving to Rickwood mall

👍 🗨️ 2 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:18:20 PM

Welcome Delta to Rockwood Mall.. it will be an added crowd to a dying mall.. we need more people in the mall. I'm a shop owner and shopper. Come Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday..... It's like a way to cemetery. No people, we need more people . DELTA BINGO IS A PLUS..

👍 🗨️ 2 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:13:54 PM

Idle minds is a recipe for trouble. Keep the youth active in any activity for their health, active and training sports.. I'm a parent , we know the imminent problems of the young people. Keep them Off the Streets

👍 🗨️ 1 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:10:13 PM

The more athletic activities for our young people is less people from the streets. Less problem for the city.

👍 🗨️ 1 Reply



99.247.3.77 Feb 9, 2023 5:08:10 PM

The Bingo funds that we received from Delta are used to fund affordable , reasonable programs for the youths.

👍 🗨️ 1 Reply



99.226.152.9 Feb 9, 2023 4:23:50 PM

Would be a nice addition to the neighbourhood

👍 🗨️ 2 Reply



99.246.237.24 Feb 8, 2023 8:03:54 PM

Just what we need a gambling establishment that brings all the wrong types of people to the mall.

👍 3 🗨️ Reply



142.112.99.74 Feb 8, 2023 1:17:41 PM

Delta Bingo will bring much needed traffic to the Mall

👍 6 🗨️ 3 Reply



67.70.148.219 Feb 8, 2023 12:43:47 PM

Welcome ti miss

👍 🗨️ Reply

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Re: Councillor Chris Fonseca- Ward 3-E Update December 22, 2022
Date: Wednesday, December 28, 2022 10:42:06 AM

Thank you for all your information.

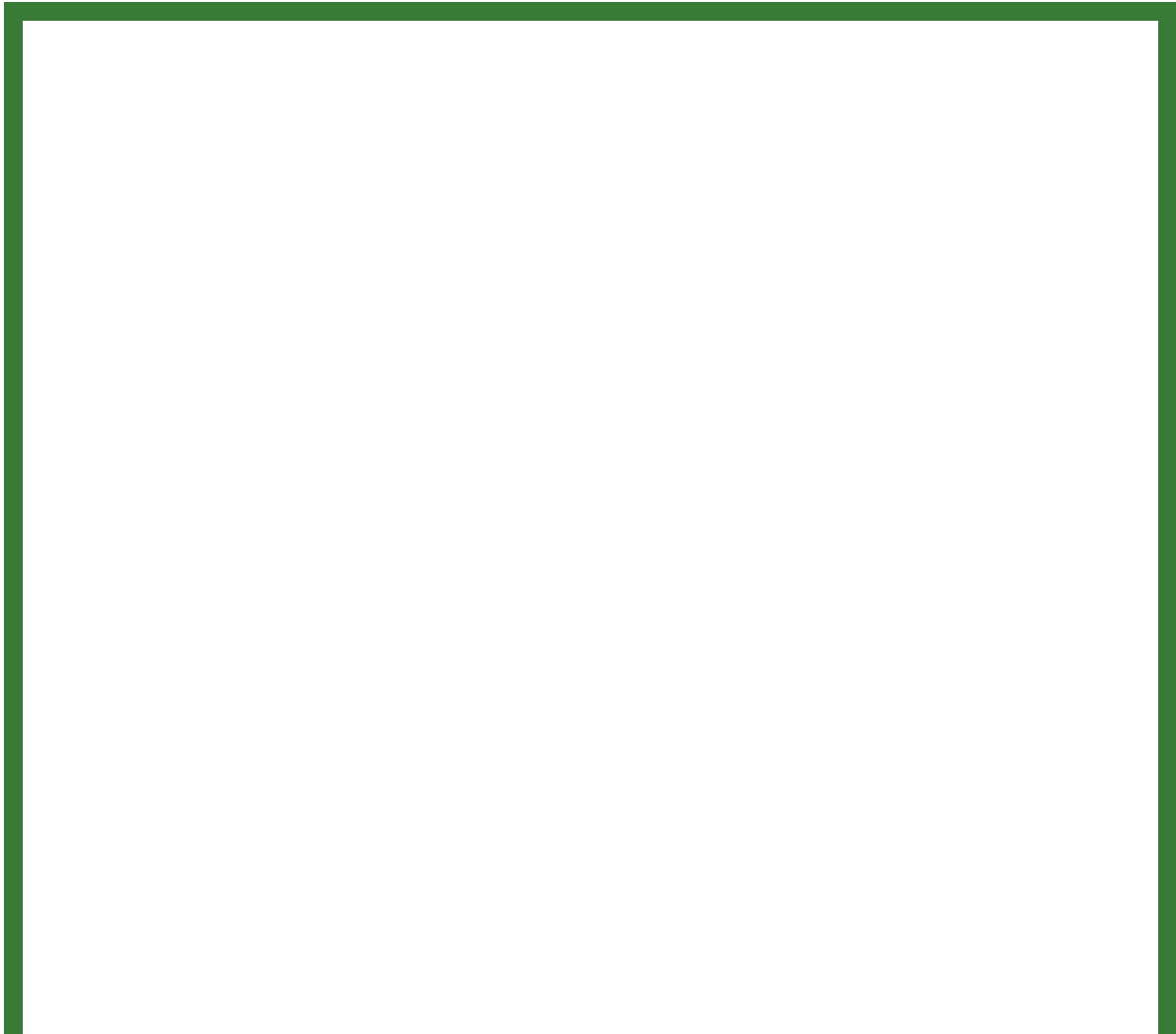
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Adam Krawczyk

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Cc: jessica@deltabingo.com
Subject: Delta Bingo Relocation Concerns
Date: Thursday, December 22, 2022 10:46:02 PM

I am writing to express my concerns with the Delto Bingo relocation proposal.

I am completely against having the Delta Bingo in the Rockwood Mall. I believe that this move would bring down this high-value neighborhood. In general, I believe that gambling facilities, like this, would attract clientele that don't reflect the values of the Rockwood community.

I also don't like the appearance of a gambling and gaming facility in a community mall. The businesses in this mall are there to serve the essential needs of the surrounding community - food, clothing, banking, healthcare, exercise, etc. Gambling is not a need - and it is not something that should be encouraged in this residential community.

I believe that Delta Bingo needs to remain in an area that is zoned for industrial/business, and stay away from a high density residential neighborhood.

Signed a concerned resident of Ward 3,

Amanda Cameron
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Bingo @ Rockwood Mall
Date: Friday, February 3, 2023 3:23:17 PM

Good afternoon,

This message is regarding the Bingo at Rockwood Mall - not in support of this and very disappointed that your team did not reach out to the neighborhood about this. We voted for you and you failed to keep us informed.

If you want my support in the next election, you will not support Bingo at Rockwood Mall - this will not bring anything positive into the neighborhood.

If this happens, I will not support your re-election.

It is that simple and thank you,

Andja Skoko

Sent from my iPad

From: [REDACTED] Carmen Piperno
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: My opinion on a bingo hall at Rockwood mall is a big NO!!! I think it would bring the value of the Mall and area down.
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 5:15:23 PM

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: FW: Delta Bingo and Gaming
Date: Friday, February 10, 2023 4:03:09 PM

Hi Chris,

Please make sure this message is forwarded to the council meeting at the next vote.

Carol Kitching
[REDACTED]

From: Brian Kitching [REDACTED]
Sent: February-10-23 3:53 PM
To: 'chris.fonseca@mississauga.ca'
Subject: Delta Bingo and Gaming

Hello Chris,

I live in Rockwood Village and **DO NOT WANT the DELTA BINGO AND GAMING to move into the old Rona store location**. They need to find another location! They **SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO RELOCATE** adjacent to a family, friendly subdivision.

The old location off Dundas Street was NO where near a housing subdivision. It was totaling located in an industrial area not near a family subdivision.

Carol Kitching
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo proposed new location at Rockwood Mall
Date: Sunday, January 29, 2023 7:07:00 PM

Good evening Chris,
I would like to weigh in on this proposal.
I feel that in these times where food, gas and other necessities in everyday life are costly, I don't see how a Bingo hall would be a value to the community.
Seniors today can hardly make ends meet as well as young families.
I would rather see a Giant Tiger.
Just my thoughts.

Cathie Parzei

From: [Chris Fonseca](#)
To: [REDACTED] [Chris Fonseca](#); anika.szabo@agco.ca; [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Cc: kaleed.rasheed@pc.ola.org
Subject: RE: Delta Proposed Slots and Bingo- Rockwood Mall
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 12:31:34 PM

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your feedback it has been shared with Councillor Fonseca. Please note your email has also been submitted to the Clerk's office as formal feedback that will be distributed to Council and the Mayor.

Please note that the Councillor has requested for traffic studies to be contacted on the surrounding streets in proximity of the mall. The roadways inside the mall are private properties and therefore the Councillor has no jurisdiction on conducting traffic studies there. The Councillor has requested that Rockwood Mall conduct studies of the traffic in the mall.

Kindly,

Camila

Camila Rodriguez Cuello
Corporate Administrative Assistant
Councillor Chris Fonseca, Ward 3
Telephone: 905-896-5300

www.chrisfonseca.ca

Council Protocol allows staff 10 business days to respond to any Council request. Although most staff are working remotely during this crisis, we expect that timelines may take a little longer than normal. We appreciate your patience during this time.

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 10:06 PM
To: Chris Fonseca <Chris.Fonseca@mississauga.ca>; anika.szabo@agco.ca; [City Clerk \(External\)](#) <City.Clerk@mississauga.ca>
Cc: kaleed.rasheed@pc.ola.org
Subject: Delta Proposed Slots and Bingo- Rockwood Mall

Dear Chris,

First of all many thanks for initiating the meeting tonight, Tuesday February 7th.

I find it extremely rude and disrespectful of Delta not to have communicated their intentions to you as our councillor, to relocate in Rockwood Mall.

There are a number of concerns I would like to express below.

1. The Delta bingo is now on Mattawa just off of Dundas and they would like to relocate to the empty Rona store

location at Rockwood Mall. It came up at the meeting that there are strict guidelines and restrictions when relocating throughout Mississauga and other areas.

Would moving into a residential neighbourhood not be one of these restrictions?

There was mention the Bingo hall is currently in or near a residential area, but as far as I'm concerned its more of an industrial area with nowhere near the density the proposed Rockwood location has.

2. Traffic in and around Rockwood Mall is already heavily congested. Add the newly developing condo building and townhouse project just across from the Mall and that increases traffic even more.

There have been many accidents as well as near miss situations with cars and pedestrians in and around Rockwood Mall and I can only see this rising with an additional 100-200 cars trying to exit or enter the Mall.

3. I'm wondering if the City of Mississauga has conducted any traffic flows or studies with the existing traffic in the area of the Mall or if they intend doing so?

4. If Delta moves into the space at Rockwood Mall and the Provincial law opens up regarding slot machines (gaming); they admitted to adding these as soon as it opens up. Now it's no longer a Bingo Hall but an open casino of sorts and again in a residential neighbourhood. This is perhaps the biggest concern.

5. The proposed location at Rockwood Mall is directly next to Winners where you find many families and children shopping on weekends. The Bingo Hall would be open basically all day on a Saturday which would take away parking spots from people who wish to shop next door or anywhere close to the Bingo Hall.

As a resident for over 20 years in Rockwood Village I am against relocating Delta bingo into Rockwood Mall. Please do whatever you can to stop this proposal. It will not be good for our neighbourhood or community.

Regards and thank you,

Chris Geiger



Sent from my iPad

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Cc: [RHA Board](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo Proposal
Date: Tuesday, January 17, 2023 4:21:19 PM

Good afternoon,

Is there any update on the Delta Bingo proposal at Rockwood Mall? I am definitely opposed to the idea. I don't think that a bingo hall/slot machines should be in a residential area. It is currently located in a commercial area and it should be moved to another commercial area.

We do not need additional people coming into our neighbourhood.

In the last few weeks, we have had several incidents on my street - Ottewell Crescent which is located one street away from Rockwood Mall. Several cars were broken into and items were stolen, a woman came onto our street with her own supply of river rocks and damaged windows and car windshields and this weekend a house was broken into as well.

Rockwood Mall already has a few unhoused people hanging out by RBC, the main entrance to the mall and Food Basics. We do not need the activity that a bingo hall will add to our community.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: proposal to relocate a bingo hall
Date: Friday, February 10, 2023 7:04:00 PM

Attention: Jessica Baker
City of Mississauga
300 City Centre Drive
Mississauga, Ontario
L5B 3C1

From: Christine Bedernjak

Hello,

I am writing to you about the proposal to relocate a bingo hall. I live on [REDACTED]. I live in an established area. It is considered a family area. It is a nice area. There are homes and schools and places of worship in that area. I don't like the idea of somebody putting a bingo hall beside the Winners on Dixie Road near Burnhamthorpe Road. I don't want the area to turn into an entertainment district. There must be several places in Mississauga where they can relocate the bingo hall to. I haven't put much thought into where the bingo hall could be relocated to, but I have thought of one area where you could relocate the bingo hall to. One example from many ideas you could choose from is the area on Dixie Road let's say near the Tim Horton's north of Courtney Park. I think that is one example. I just had to give you my opinion. Thank you.

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo relocation
Date: Friday, February 10, 2023 11:12:45 PM

I personally think Delta Bingo is perfect where it is

There's no reason for it move to Rockwood Mall and residents are uncomfortable with Delta Bingo locating in Rockwood mall

Please keep the Delta Bingo where it is on Mattawa Ave

Have a great day

Cosimo Commisso
Squires Councilor & Member & guard & Youth Director of Knights of Columbus Sts. Peter & Paul council#11337 Lector for 11 AM Mass 4070 Central Parkway E Mississauga ON L4Z 1T6

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo Hall Proposal at Rockwood Mall
Date: Friday, February 10, 2023 10:20:03 AM

Hi Chris,

I just want to convey in writing my opposition to the proposed Delta Bingo Hall at the former Rona location at the Rockwood Mall.

I do not believe the Rockwood Mall is an appropriate location for a gaming facility that could potentially include slot machines in the future. Typically Delta Bingo Halls are located in stand alone buildings and not in malls where increased traffic will be a problem at the Rockwood Mall. The stand alone facilities can handle parking and traffic adequately and they do not attract the kind of less fortunate people who are suffering from homelessness issues. The Rockwood Mall is starting to experience both traffic and pan handlers and we don't need this problem getting worse. As you are well aware the entrance to the Rockwood Mall off of Bough Beeches Blvd is very dangerous for pedestrians and the landlord of the Rockwood Mall does not see fit to put in a sidewalk as has been requested of them numerous times. Someone is going to get struck by a vehicle there one day and if council decides to approve the proposal then council should require that approval for the proposal is contingent upon the Rockwood Mall installing that sidewalk to accommodate the increased traffic resulting from the Delta Bingo Hall.

I sincerely hope that you will convene with your fellow councilors and express the concerns of the community regarding this proposal and ask the other councilors to vote against this proposal. As you witnessed at the Thursday evening meeting, there is much opposition to Delta's proposal and it would appear from that meeting that both Delta Bingo and the landlord of the Rockwood Mall do not have the best interest of the community at heart. I understand they are both businesses and they operate to make money but Delta can still make money utilizing a stand alone building that does not impact the community and the Rockwood Mall can lease the location to a retail business that can become an anchor tenant. I also wish to express how disrespectful it is of Cam from Delta Bingo to not push back the vote so that you have the opportunity to properly engage with the community and also the City clerk staff must do a much better job of communicating with you so that you are properly informed and not caught off guard like you were yesterday at the meeting. Perhaps you should convey to your fellow councilors that if Delta does not have enough respect for the community or their city councilor to allow and seek proper input then how can you expect them to be a respectful tenant within the community of which they wish to join?

Sincerely,

Curtis Barry

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Cc: [delilah simoes-shand](#)
Subject: Proposed bingo hall at Rockwood Mall at 4141 Dixie Road
Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2022 1:29:33 PM

Hello Ms. Fonseca,

First of all I hope that this email finds you and your family well. I hope that the Holiday season will be one of happiness and health.

I am writing to you today for one reason. I live in the Rockwood Village area, walking distance from Rockwood Mall. I grew up in the Applewood Hills area and absolutely love this neighbourhood...which I am now raising my two children here.

I have lived in the Rockwood Village for thirty years to date, and frequent the Mall for errands. Recently, last week as a matter of fact, I was running errands and walked by the former vaccination clinic at the Mall. I was flabbergasted when I saw the proposed notification for the building to be used as a bingo hall. I think that is the most atrocious proposal to date! If this is to be approved, this will bring mayhem to a Mall that already has some issues. I have seen first hand the experience of having a bingo hall near a place a of business, as my children attend piano lessons near the bingo hall that is located at 1650 Dundas St. East. For over twenty years, I have seen the strip mall where their piano school is, inundated by garbage, cigarette butts, and disregard for parking and people in the mall. I fear that this will become a huge issue at Rockwood Mall. At the location now, there is retail; however, it is specialized and less frequented than Rockwood Mall. While the location at 1650 Dundas St. East has the dance and music schools, I wish these were elsewhere, I think to allow a bingo hall at Rockwood Mall, would totally change the environment. IT would be a disservice to the residential community to have bingo in the Mall. The location at 1650 Dundas St. E is an industrial area, and has very little residential spaces near by. The Rockwood Mall is SURROUNDED by homes and families, and seniors retirement residences; therefore, having a bingo hall would be an absolute disaster to this neighbourhood. I implore Council and the City not to consider this space as a proposed bingo hall, as I feel this will bring a lot of other issues to the community. I ask that you consider the proposal in your sessions. I know that our neighbours have also voiced their concerns, and while I wish I could start a petition to bring to council, I do not have the time to be collecting signatures. I am taking care of ailing parents, have a child with congenital heart disease, among other responsibilities. I wonder if there is someone who could assume the responsibility for garnering a petition, and I ask you support with this. I know that you have a busy schedule and only ask for your support with bringing forth the concerns to Council.

Thank you for taking the time to read this email. I hope that you will consider this in your support of this Ward and also as a long-standing resident of this community as well. I wish you all the very best for the coming New Year.

Sincerely,

Delilah Simoes-Shand

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Saying An Emphatic NO to a Bingo Hall at Rockwood Mall
Date: Thursday, December 8, 2022 6:07:02 PM

Ms. Fonseca,

Under no circumstances do we want a Bingo Hall (and the associated issues) to be invited into our serene and peaceful neighbourhood.

Although the “positive” spin is seniors will have a place to go to play Bingo, seniors are better served playing Bingo in existing (and safe) recreational centres.

Please ensure you protect the quality of life enjoyed by young and old in Rockwood Village.

Donna Piasentini

[REDACTED]

February 12, 2023

Hayes Family
N [REDACTED]

Corporation of the City of Mississauga
 Attn.: City Clerk
 300 City Centre Dr.
 Mississauga, ON L5B 3C1
 city.clerk@mississauga.ca

Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario
 Attn.: Anika Szabo, Senior Eligibility Officer
 90 Sheppard Ave. E, Suite 200
 Toronto, ON M2N 0A4
 anika.szabo@agco.ca

Re: Proposal to Relocate a Bingo Hall to 4141 Dixie Rd., Mississauga – Delta Bingo & Gaming

We are a family who lives in the Rockwood neighbourhood of Mississauga, and we write further to our letter of December 15, 2022 (enclosed) to express **our total opposition to Delta Bingo & Gaming's proposal to relocate a bingo hall to Rockwood Mall, 4141 Dixie Rd., Mississauga.**

Firstly, we want to bring to your attention that **4141 Dixie Rd. is not zoned for a bingo hall establishment.** In its relocation proposal dated October 24, 2022, Delta Bingo & Gaming claims that 4141 Dixie Rd.'s "C3-56" zoning designation would allow for a bingo hall under the category of "Entertainment Establishment" (p. 2, referring to highlighted text on p. 16). **This is patently false.** Mississauga Zoning By-law 0225-2007 defines "Entertainment Establishment" as "a building, structure or part thereof, designed and equipped to be used for the provision of entertainment or amusement **without the necessity of active participation by the user**" (s. 1.2). Bingo does necessitate active participation by the user, meaning a bingo hall falls outside the definition of "Entertainment Establishment" and outside of the C3-56 zoning designation. **This, in and of itself, should block the relocation of the bingo hall to 4141 Dixie Rd.**

Beyond this, we are greatly concerned that **a bingo hall would create harms and undesirable outcomes for our neighbourhood,** especially following the comments made by Delta Bingo & Gaming and The Sitzer Group (Rockwood Mall property management) at the community meeting of February 7, 2023.

In the community meeting, Delta Bingo & Gaming CEO Shawn Fisher highlighted the strong community safety risks associated with his company's bingo halls when he said that his staff escorts bingo players off the hall premises in attempt to mitigate risks related to walking out of the bingo hall with their winnings. **These risks,** which obviously include the risks of serious violent crime, **are completely unacceptable,** and suggest only one logical conclusion: that **a bingo hall would jeopardize our neighbourhood's safety.** We demand that Delta Bingo & Gaming expound upon these disturbing comments by presenting to Mississauga City Council a **transparent, up-to-date, independent, third-party verified report describing the frequency and severity of crime in the vicinity of each of Delta Bingo & Gaming's 20 locations, as well as a representative sample of other bingo halls in the Greater Toronto Area.** In the absence of such a report, City Council cannot accurately consider the community's interests in evaluating the acceptability of the proposed relocation, and therefore **must disallow it.**

Adam Cepler, general counsel for The Sitzer Group, said at the same community meeting that he believes a bingo hall would be "synergistic" with Rockwood Mall's other tenants. Which tenants, exactly, would the bingo hall be synergistic with? The grocery store? The banks? The pharmacy? The dental office? The pet store? **A bingo hall obviously does not belong among the other community-serving businesses in Rockwood Mall.** Further, **a bingo hall does not fit the Rockwood neighbourhood,** which is almost totally residential, **nor its demographics,** which are highly diverse and include members of vulnerable groups such as children, racialized and Indigenous people, new immigrants, people facing poverty, and senior citizens in the three surrounding assisted living facilities. At a time when Ontario's mental health and addictions crisis is worsening, counselling programs and social services are underfunded, and our health system is overwhelmed, **a bingo hall, which would only worsen related risks to our community, does not belong here.**

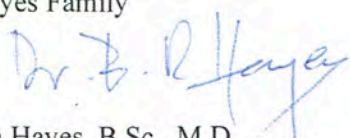
Relocating the bingo hall to our community would open the possibility for even more gambling activity to come to Rockwood Mall in the future. Mr. Fisher made it explicitly clear at the community meeting that he would pursue at the first available opportunity converting the facility from a bingo hall to an electronic casino, a move which he admitted would require no further Council approval. In fact, this is the exact method by which, according to a 2022 *Toronto Star* investigation, **nearly 3,000 betting machines have been surreptitiously installed in 37 bingo halls across the province of Ontario.** Delta Bingo & Gaming defends their activities by directing attention to the charities that use their facilities, but they are clearly only looking to relocate their bingo hall in hopes of **parlaying it into a casino location** that has nothing to do with serving the community.

We ask that, for the above reasons, you move to **disallow** Delta Bingo & Gaming's proposal to relocate a bingo hall to Rockwood Mall, 4141 Dixie Rd., Mississauga.

Sincerely,

The Hayes Family

Per:


Belinda Hayes, B.Sc., M.D.
John David Hayes
James Hayes, J.D.
Helen Hayes, M.A., Ph.D. Candidate

encl.

c.c. Ward 3 City Councillor Chris Fonseca, chris.fonseca@mississauga.ca
Rockwood Homeowners' Association, rha.executive@gmail.com

December 15, 2022

Hayes Family


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300 City Centre Dr.
Mississauga, ON L5B 3C1

Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario
90 Sheppard Ave. E, Suite 200
Toronto, ON M2N 0A4

Re: Proposal to Relocate a Bingo Hall to 4141 Dixie Rd., Mississauga – Delta Bingo & Gaming

As residents of the Rockwood neighbourhood of Mississauga, we are writing to comment on Delta Bingo & Gaming's proposal to relocate a bingo hall to our neighbourhood. **This proposal is entirely unacceptable and we fully oppose it.** Moving a bingo hall to this location, or any location in our neighbourhood, would be of substantial detriment to our community.

A bingo hall will harm the vulnerable community surrounding the proposed location, which has a highly socio-economically diverse population, including racialized and Indigenous people, new immigrants, people facing poverty, senior citizens, and members of other vulnerable groups. For instance, immediately south of the proposed location is Our Place Peel (3579 Dixie Rd.), an emergency shelter for 16 to 24 year olds who are experiencing homelessness. The proposed location is also close to many elementary and high schools. Current medical literature suggests that bingo players are likely to be from at-risk groups, and that bingo is a harmful activity that subjects them and their families to "serious and wide-ranging harms affecting ... health, wealth, and relationships" that can become "a lifelong struggle" (*The Lancet*). A 2022 study published in *BMC Public Health* identified increased risks to bingo players, including "financial, relationship, emotional, and work/study related harm ... covering points of crisis, legacy, and intergenerational harms."

A bingo hall will create additional harms related to gambling, including increased likelihood of alcohol, cannabis, and drug consumption and abuse; smoking; combined forms of gambling; and risks to mental health and wellbeing. These losses/deficits would not only be felt by individuals and their families, but by the community at large. Our community should have increased mental and physical health resources and services, not harmful gambling facilities.

A bingo hall will result in other undesirable outcomes for our neighbourhood, such as increased noise and nighttime activity, and a surge of people whose only reason for coming to the neighbourhood is to gamble. Delta Bingo & Gaming's existing locations are open seven days a week, past midnight, and on virtually every holiday including Boxing Day and New Year's Day. Their presence in our neighbourhood will have a **deleterious effect on our neighbourhood's safety and sense of peace and quiet, negatively impact property values**, and could exacerbate the increases in late-night vandalism and theft that have been observed in our neighbourhood in recent years.

The decision to relocate a bingo hall to our neighbourhood would prioritize the interests of a gambling operator over our community and must not be made.

Sincerely,

The Hayes Family

Per: 

Belinda Hayes, B.Sc., M.D.

John David Hayes

James Hayes, J.D.

Helen Hayes, M.A., Ph.D. Candidate

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Bingo Hall at Rockwood Mall
Date: Sunday, February 12, 2023 8:31:12 AM

We live in the area and have concerns that residents were not properly notified

We strongly oppose a bingo hall in Rockwood Mall.
Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Yes to Bingo
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 12:20:27 PM
Attachments: [Dear councillor Fonseca.pdf](#)

Dear councillor Fonseca, Diana and Camila,

today I am writing to you as a resident in the Rockwood area and not as a director of the RHA.

First of all, thank you very much for all your time and energy spend on the topic of Delta Bingo in Rockwood Mall. I was appalled at the tone and aggression during the meetings and would like to offer my services running public consultations in the future. The personal attacks, repetition and lack of respect do not need to become the norm.

After much research and deliberation, I have come to the following conclusion. Just because voices are loud and aggressive, they are not all the voices in the Rockwood area.

Looking at the grievances uttered during the zoom call and the open mic in-person meeting, I actually believe that it would be highly beneficial for Delta Bingo to start running their business from the former Rona location right here in my backyard.

Grievance	Comment
Traffic	It would be appreciated to have a strong business/community partner to advocate for positive traffic solutions in and around Rockwood Mall
Parking	Regardless who would rent the vacant mall space, more parking spots would be utilised and more traffic would occur. Maybe a better parking lot plan, exit plan would aid.
Vacancy in mall space	I would be very happy not to have vacant space in the mall.
Alcohol	At this point, it is a mute point. There will be no alcohol served. That does not mean, that people are not drinking alcohol prior to going into the Bingo hall or drinking in the pub beside it at any time. Also, if the hall at some point will be serving alcohol, they still have to comply with smart serve. A security measure put in place to ensure patrons will stay within their limits.
Pedestrian access	See comment "Traffic" – it seems like the Rockwood neighbours have attempted multiple times to get better pedestrian access to the mall from all sides. I am hoping advocacy from businesses in the mall will help in the long run.
Slot Machines	A mute point at this time. And the comment about being able to play 24/7 on once phone is absolutely valid
Funds raised for charity	I believe that it is crucial that funds continue to flow into charitable associations to provide funds for the incredible work the volunteers provide
Property value	I would argue that this would go down with vacancy in the mall, not by filling the space with a Bingo Hall – if I heard correctly- most

	speakers had no issue with – Bingo yes – location no
Gaming is addictive	Absolutely. However, see “Slot Machine” comment.
Offering vacant space to other organisations, family restaurant, fitness etc.	Yes, I would love to see one or more family restaurants in the mall. But would take Bingo over vacancy.
Senior Safety	See “traffic and pedestrian access”
Snow removal	This can only improve with more organisations/businesses in the mall to ensure it is done in a timely fashion

Once again, I highly appreciate all the work you are doing for our neighborhood. The noise walls along Rathburn are coming in nicely. Looking forward to the redevelopment of Rathburn with awesome paving and bike paths. The Rockwood Neighbourhood will greatly benefit from those changes.

Kindly
Iris Schweiger



From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo Relocation
Date: Friday, February 10, 2023 4:11:59 PM

Please record that I, Isabel Grace of the Rockwood community am apposed to this relocation. This area is residential with small retail outlets, such a move is not conducive to our neighbourhood.

Isabel Grace
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#); [Chris Fonseca](#); [RHA Board](#)
Subject: DELTA BINGO IN ROCKWOOD MALL
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 11:42:43 AM

To whom it may concern ...

I strongly OPPOSE the proposal by Delta Bingo to locate in ROCKWOOD MALL . This is a family neighbourhood and I believe that this is NOT an appropriate location for a Bingo Hall especially since the Delta Bingo representative stated very clearly that they would ABSOLUTELY look to add slot machines at the earliest possibility. The next proposal would be to ask for a liquor licence. This lovely FAMILY neighborhood would become home to what would basically become a CASINO !

Delta Bingo says they are doing this for "seniors and charities " in the area ... I say they are using the "seniors and charities " as bait and as a cover for their bid to impose their business practice in our neighbourhood . If we as a community are wanting to do something for seniors in the area , I would suggest there are many other ways to positively impact our neighbourhood , especially to benefit seniors . I think more retail shopping in close proximity (especially for seniors) would be helpful .

The representatives for Rockwood Mall have a moral responsibility to look to the needs of the community that supports them . Adding a bingo hall is NOT the way to go .

Many have expressed concerns regarding the EXTRA traffic that would result on roadways (especially the already busy corridor Burnhamthorpe, Dixie Rd and Rathburn Rd E) ...as well the impact on parking spaces that would make it difficult to find space for regular shoppers (the mall is already very busy & it can already be difficult to find spaces) .

I also think we need to consider that this type of facility can bring with it a criminal element and crimes of opportunity . This then has the potential to negatively impact property values. Do we really want or need this in a residential neighbourhood , especially when there are more suitable sites in more commercial areas . NO !

The people of Rockwood have given you their vote to represent our best interest ... I would therefore ask City Council to support the people in saying a strong " NO " to Delta Bingo. I look forward to your resounding " NO to Delta Bingo in Rockwood Mall "

Respectfully
J Davidson
L McGhie

[REDACTED]

Angie Melo

From: Angie Melo
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 4:54 PM
To: Angie Melo
Subject: FW: No Bingo at Rockwood!



Angie Melo

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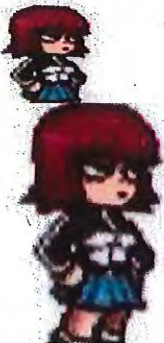
From: Janet Tsuji <tsujijanet@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2023 7:39 PM
To: City Clerk (External) <City.Clerk@mississauga.ca>
Cc: Anika.Szabo@agco.ca; Rha Board <rha.executive@gmail.com>
Subject: No Bingo at Rockwood!

Hello,
 As a member of the community in the proximity of Rockwood Mall, I strongly oppose the approval of a lease to Delta Bingo for a Bingo Hall in our neighbourhood. I oppose what amounts to a "Gambling Facility" in our residential area.

On the NextDoor app, Kim P. of Applewood went on a fact-finding mission to research Bingo Halls. I have copied her comment below:


Sincerely,
 Janet Tsuji





[Kim P. Applewood](#) • 2 Feb. •



-  Delta Bingo Relocation - Sharing our fact-finding mission! Three of us went on a fact-finding mission this week. We visited two different Bingo Halls. One was Delta itself with dabbers, paper sheets and some minor tablet style electronics. The other was a newer type of Bingo hall that has the fancy "Vegas style" machines in the pictures. The machines in the pictures are what the average person would consider slot machines right? Surprise! These machines are NOT CLASSIFIED as slot machines. They are CLASSIFIED AS BINGO MACHINES. Both gaming locations, although very different, with different atmosphere and type of players - wait for it - hold the SAME business licenses and permits. At the meeting next Thursday Feb 9 Delta Bingo can look you straight in the eye and tell you without blinking, that they will not bring in slot machines. But they CAN bring in the machines you see in the pictures. I don't think Delta should be in a residential neighbourhood. One or two kilometers north would put them in a commercial/industrial area. On a different note, we also found that when the games change (every two hours) there is a significant increase in the flow of cars from the current Delta location as players arrive or leave. The Rockwood Plaza parking lot will be filled.

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall - Oppose
Date: Sunday, February 12, 2023 10:03:10 PM

Hello, I'm a homeowner in the Rockwood area. I live at [REDACTED] I attended the meeting Feb 9. I only heard of this meeting from a neighbour the day of.

I'd like to make it known that I strongly oppose the idea of having Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall. There are many reasons that are just too much to list, however the greatest concerns I have is the possibility - that I'm sure in the future would be a reality of slot machines. The idea of a mini Las Vegas in our community frightens me. The other concern is public safety for pedestrians and cars accessing the location. Rockwood Mall is already a hazard for pedestrians, especially from the east entrance walking down the ramp. Cars entering and exiting from the west entrance is already horrible. Having bus loads of people coming to play bingo will just be chaos.

I hope council supports the majority of home owners who oppose Delta Bingo coming to Rockwood Mall.

Regards,

Joe Nigro

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Cc: [Judith Davidson](#)
Subject: Proposed Bingo Hall at Rockwood Mall
Date: Thursday, December 8, 2022 7:18:03 PM

Good evening Ms. Fonseca

I am writing to you to express my objection to the proposed site for the Delta Bingo hall in Rockwood Mall...

This can only be seen as a **detriment** to the neighbourhood of Rockwood Village... it is a slippery slope to allow a gaming site to establish a foothold in our neighbourhood of Rockwood Village and this particular retail business site.

Delta Bingo has no doubt bigger plans for this site going forward... it will no doubt push the city to allow for slots and liquor licenses if allowed to gain entrance to our community. This would greatly impact the safety and security of Rockwood Mall and our community.

If the city is so concerned about seniors having a place to play Bingo... we have Community Centers that could be used for that .

I would suggest the area would be better served by a retail business that reflects the current neighbourhood dynamics.

The people who have lived and worked in this neighbourhood for many years , as well as new families moving in to make this their neighbourhood of choice, to raise their families, deserve better than a large corporation, like Delta Bingo, coming in and devaluing neighbouring properties.

I am writing to you directly Ms. Fonseca to **ask you to support the people of Rockwood Village in saying " NO " to this proposal by Delta Bingo.**

I look forward to hearing back from you with your response .

Thankyou for your immediate attention to this very important issue.

Regards

Judith Davidson
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [REDACTED]
To: Anika.Szabo@agco.ca; [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall - NO
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 10:34:12 AM

As I am unable to attend the upcoming meeting regarding the possible relocation of Delta Bingo to Rockwood Mall, so I am sending you this email instead.

I am adamantly opposed to Delta Bingo moving to Rockwood Mall. It makes no difference to me that there will not be slots or alcohol served, I am against it. My opinion is that Delta Bingo belongs in industrial areas (like where it is now) and NOT in residential communities. I find it of particular concern that it would be so close to senior residences and low income communities. This will intentionally prey on members of our community that are on fixed incomes.

Thank you for your time,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Re; Recent Newsletter and Delta Bingo
Date: Sunday, February 12, 2023 1:23:04 PM

Councillor Fonseca:

This is a joke - right??

I cannot conceive of a worst development in the Ward than having Delta Bingo relocate at the Rockwood Mall.

Surely Council has better development plans for the area/the Mall than this.

Having a Bingo Hall in the ward will do nothing but attract more criminal activity to the area. Surely there is already enough of this going on because of the so-called night clubs in the Eglinton -Dixie area where on a regular basis there are reports of gun fire, car thefts, car racing, etc.

A Bingo Hall will do nothing but take up more police resources and deplete the ability for Peel Police to respond to legitimate calls by residents.

If your staff wants to do some research, all they have to do is to contact Superintendent Tavnner of 23 Division of Toronto Metropolitan Police and ask him what happened when the slots were introduced into the so-called Woodbine Entertainment Centre. - crime increased and residents suffered and their legitimate access to police services declined

I know that Delta Bingo is not a casino but it will attract the worst members of society and the community will suffer for it!

And let's talk about the increased traffic congestion that will be brought to an area that already suffers from unacceptable traffic congestion.

I do not recall seeing news of this proposal in your previous newsletters and the notice for this has a very short timeline - April 15th ??? Surely this is unacceptable for community members to make a proper representation. I cannot believe that there are any jumping up for joy that such a development is being proposed. I truly hope that your vote at Council will be a resounding - NO!!

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Karl Sprogis

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Cc: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo Mississauga Relocation - Letter of Objection
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 11:42:08 AM

Madam Mayor and Members of Council,

- I am a supporter of charitable bingo however I do NOT feel the relocation of the Delta Bingo Hall to the Rockwood Mall location is suitable for this community since the proposed location is within a relatively small poorly laid out plaza directly abutting large well established residential neighbourhoods
- I worked as an executive at the AGCO for almost 20 years, much of it specifically working with the charitable gaming industry - as a result I understand and appreciate the benefits that charitable gaming brings to the community - I also worked directly with the members of the ownership and executives from Delta Bingo and I consider them to be possibly the best bingo operator in Ontario
- My concern is that this plaza already experiences problems with traffic flow within and around the plaza that present dangerous situations for both motor vehicles and pedestrians (including accidents that have even resulted in death) and adding the bingo hall will exacerbate those problems
- According to Delta Bingo representatives while the existing Mississauga location is currently averaging about 85 players in attendance per session the more popular sessions are attracting up to 185 players
- Currently there are 24 sessions a week with 5 sessions per day on Saturday and Sunday - each session lasting approximately 2 hours - with one hour between sessions allowing the earlier session players to pack up and leave while the players for the following session arrive, find their seats, purchase their products and get settled in
- Based on my observation of the traffic flow between several different sessions at the existing location the cars from one session are leaving during the same time period as the cars are arriving for the next session and result in double the number of cars moving through the parking lot over a short 15-20 minute time period
- For example with the current schedule and attendance this would occur three times a day on Thursdays and Fridays and 4 times a day on Saturdays and Sundays - where possibly an additional 370 cars would be entering and exiting the Rockwood Mall parking lot each time over a short 15-20 minute period of time in a parking lot that already experiences bottle necks at the exit onto Dixie and the west exit onto Burnhamthorpe
- In the Delta proposal it is stated that they believe the success at this new location will result in higher attendance and adding more sessions with both of those situations resulting in even more traffic amplifying the existing problems
- Representatives from Delta have indicated that the capacity may be as high as 250 players
- At the anticipated maximum capacity and with additional sessions added this could be an additional 500 cars entering and exiting the Rockwood Plaza five or more times a day on the weekends (traffic of an additional 2,500 cars per day on weekends)
- While this is an existing unit the previous tenants for this unit, such as a hardware store, did not have anywhere near as many customers in the unit all at the same time and definitely not such large numbers coming and going over short periods of time
- There is already congestion and challenges with parking and with navigating the plaza

parking lot - rounding the corners by the beer store and Burger King - the access off Dixie, while it has traffic lights, results in bottlenecks because of the way it bottoms out near Shoppers Drug Mart and CIBC - there are already challenges with cars attempting to merge into traffic or cross three lanes of traffic when exiting via the south west exit onto Burnhamthorpe - adding the high volumes from bingo will exacerbate already dangerous situations

- The east exit to Bough Beeches is already dangerous since there is no sidewalk access to enter the mall at any point along the entire east side of the plaza resulting in people having to walk down the steep sloped narrow driveway entrance itself, including seniors using walkers, parents pushing strollers and groups of young people accessing the plaza - large volumes of bingo players driving in and out over short periods of time will make this even more dangerous
- Many seniors from the surrounding area, and specifically the approximately 250 independent living seniors from the residences on Bough Beeches directly across the street, use this plaza for their banking, pharmacy, and light groceries and the traffic and impact on parking generated as a result of adding a successful bingo hall would negatively impact and potentially even be dangerous for those seniors and patrons of the plaza in general
- While the parking lot looks to be a generous size there is an insufficient number of spots to accommodate a potential 250 bingo players both coming and going between sessions along with patrons and staff from the 10 other tenants including the Beer Store, Mac's Convenience, the Royal Bank, Winners, a full service licensed restaurant with a capacity of XXX, and 4 takeout food restaurants in this smaller southern portion of the mall
- I recognize that charitable bingo generates considerable funds for the City through licensing fees - hopefully this is not viewed as a key factor in considering the relocation to this residential area where traffic problems already exist - a price cannot be attached to a life lost due to the dangerous traffic and parking problems being exacerbated by this proposed relocation - this revenue source for the City would continue and grow with the Delta Bingo hall being relocated elsewhere to a more suitable location within Mississauga
- I recognize this is private property and the City cannot require the property owner or management company to make changes to ensure a better traffic flow within the mall parking area or increase parking however the City decision to approve or deny the relocation of the bingo hall will have a direct impact on the already existing problems
- Although I do not feel this relocation is suitable for a small plaza that already experiences dangerous traffic and parking problems and is abutting a residential neighbourhood I would not object to the bingo hall relocating to a light industrial area as close as just 1.5 km further north or further south on Dixie, accessible to, but not abutting a residential neighbourhood
- Thank you for taking my concerns into consideration

Kathy Klas (Ward 3 Resident)

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](mailto:Chris.Fonseca@mississauga.ca)
Subject: Re: Meeting re Delta Bingo Relocation
Date: Thursday, February 9, 2023 12:53:27 PM

Thank you very much for your prompt response Camila. Much appreciated.

Kathy Klas
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 9, 2023, at 10:15 AM, Chris Fonseca <Chris.Fonseca@mississauga.ca> wrote:

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> Good morning Kathy,

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> Thank you for your email, Councillor Fonseca appreciates your feedback. Please note that all formal comments and feedback have to be submitted to the Clerk's office at the City of Mississauga and the AGCO. Comments and feedback submitted through the Clerk's office will be circulated to Council and the Mayor.

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> And

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> Kindly,

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> Camila

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> Camila Rodriguez Cuello

> Corporate Administrative Assistant

> Councillor Chris Fonseca, Ward 3

> Telephone: 905-896-5300

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> www.chrisfonseca.ca

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> Council Protocol allows staff 10 business days to respond to any Council request. Although most staff are working remotely during this crisis, we expect that timelines may take a little longer than normal. We appreciate your patience during this time.

> To learn about the latest updates on actions taken by the City of Mississauga visit mississauga.ca/coronavirus. For further COVID-19 information, please visit Region of Peel Public Health

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Kathy Klas [REDACTED] >

> Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2023 11:01 P |

> Subject: Meeting re Delta Bingo Relocation

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> Dear Ms Fonseca,

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> Thank you very much for arranging for the meetings with residents regarding the Delta Bingo Hall relocation. The in-person meeting this Thursday at the old Rona location in Rockwood Mall will be very useful to be able to speak with representatives from Delta and also to hear the views of Ward 3 residents that will be most directly impacted by the proposed relocation. I plan to attend but unfortunately I will be travelling from Kitchener after babysitting my grandchildren and anticipate arriving just in time.

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> Residents that participated in the virtual meeting on Tuesday had concerns that a significant amount of time was taken up by the charities speaking about the fundraising benefits. I can appreciate Delta's desire to present the benefits offered to the community through bingo fundraising. This information is valid but may not require multiple charities taking time to speak on that point to effectively make the point. I leave managing the balance on those types of details up to you and Delta and choose not to take a position on that point.

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> I do have a concern that the charity representation may present some capacity challenges for the meeting on Thursday. There are approximately 35 charities fundraising through bingos at the Delta Bingo Hall in Mississauga. If each of those charities has 1-3 representatives attend the meeting it could be 35-100 people attending. The majority of those individuals likely are not residents of Ward 3. If there is a significant number of people in attendance is there any possibility of providing residents of Ward 3 preferred access to the meeting? Hopefully this won't be an issue because as I understand it there were a number of people that had the opportunity to participate on Tuesday but I raise this concern just in case.

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> I recognize that as our Ward 3 Councillor you are not only representing the interests of the residents from your Ward but you are also making recommendations and decisions that you believe are best for the City as a whole. I am sure this requires some very challenging balancing at times. In order for residents to best present their views to the Council as a whole is it better for residents to send e-mails or letters individually, have surveys presented, or have petitions with signatures and addresses presented? What will have the most impact? Would it be best to send the views to you, the Clerk, the Mayor, or include all of you as recipients? Your sage advice as a well established Councillor that has seen many of these types of issues come before Council in the past is greatly appreciated.

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> I appreciate your ongoing support for the residents of Ward 3 as well as for the City as a whole.

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> Thank you.

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> Kathy Klas

> Ward 3 Resident (Applewood Hills)

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Cc: [Chris Fonseca; RHA Board; MPP Khaled; \[REDACTED\]; \[REDACTED\]; customer.service@agco.ca; Mayor Bonnie Crombie](#)
Subject: Against Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall, Mississauga
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 7:02:31 AM

To the City Clerk,

I have been a resident in the Rockwood community for over 20 years. I love our neighborhood for its peaceful and family oriented feel.

I am very concerned about Delta Bingo's proposed move to Rockwood mall and am opposed to this proposal.

I attended a virtual session with Delta's CEO, Shawn Fisher, hosted by Councillor Fonseca on Tuesday, February 7.

The community members on the call were overwhelmingly against the move to Rockwood mall. Mr. Fisher was extremely evasive when answering questions about possible alternate locations further north up Dixie Rd that would still be accessible by transit, but not in the middle of a residential neighbourhood.

Both Mr. Fisher and Mr. Ceplar (representing Rockwood Mall) we're dismissive of traffic concerns around the site and of the poor access from Bough Beeches (no sidewalk) which would be the likely access point for many seniors coming from the retirement homes behind the mall.

Most appalling, however, was Mr. Fisher's admission (only after being repeatedly questioned by a community member) that should the province open up the program allowing slot machines, Delta would, without a doubt, convert the site to a full gaming with slots.

Our community does not need a gaming hall in our residential neighborhood.

Delta will highlight their charity recipients and their good work before City Council. No one disputes the incredible contributions of these charities. It is the location that is extremely problematic.

The community does not want Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall and I hope that City Council and the Mayor, as our community's elected representatives, act in our best interest and vote to reject this proposal.

Thank you
Laura Fieldhouse
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#); [MPP Khaled](#)
Cc: [RHA Board](#)
Subject: Fwd: Relocation of Delta Bingo to Rockwood Mall
Date: Sunday, January 29, 2023 7:34:39 AM

Hello Councillor Fonseca and MPP Rasheed,

As per the RHA message below, I am contacting you to advise that I am against moving the Delata BINGO hall to Rockwood, even without alcohol and slot machines.

This is a family neighborhood. Considering the increased risks gambling poses to families and communities, introducing it in such proximity to homes, schools and seniors' residences is ill advised.

Thank you

[REDACTED]

Begin forwarded message:

From: RHA Board <rha.executive@gmail.com>
Date: January 28, 2023 at 5:26:33 PM EST
To: undisclosed-recipients:;
Subject: **Relocation of Delta Bingo to Rockwood Mall**

Good Evening Rockwood

After a poor attempt at reaching out to residents for their opinions on opening a Bingo Hall in Rockwood Mall, Delta Bingo will be placing new ads in the Mississauga News with detailed information as to whom you can send your comments, including both the City and the AGCO. As we have not seen the ad, you can also send your input to our councillor, Chris.Fonseca@mississauga.ca and our MPP, kaleed.rasheed@pc.ola.org

While there were errors in getting this information to the community in advance of the initial ad, it appears that both Delta and Councillor Fonseca believed that they were following processes that turned out to be misdirected. At this point, we need to move on from finger pointing and deal with the issue at hand.

Before this application goes to City Council for a vote, we (RHA) requested a community meeting. For some reason, Councillor Fonseca gave permission for Delta to hold this public meeting at the old Rona store on Thursday February 9th at 7:00 p.m. This will be advertised locally. The RHA expressed the need for a virtual meeting, one initially offered by the councillor. This will be conducted via Webex on Tuesday February 7th at 7:00 p.m. The invitation to this meeting follows this message. This meeting will not be advertised, so feel free to share the link with your neighbours. If

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Cc: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo Mississauga Relocation - Letter of Objection
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 12:47:29 PM

Madam Mayor and Members of Council,

- I am a supporter of charitable bingo and the financial support it provides to our community, however I DO NOT feel the relocation of the Delta Bingo Hall to Rockwood Mall is a suitable location since the proposed location is within a relatively small, poorly laid out plaza directly adjacent to large well established residential neighbourhoods
- This plaza already experiences problems with traffic flow within the plaza presenting a dangerous situation for cars, delivery vehicles and pedestrians - accidents have occurred entering/exiting the mall which resulted in death. Adding the bingo hall will exacerbate these problems
- There was an excellent presentation made by a resident at the public meeting on Thursday February 9 identifying in detail a number of concerns and I believe that resident provided her notes to the councillor's staff
- Although I do not feel the relocation to Rockwood Mall is suitable I would not object to the bingo hall relocating to a light industrial area as close as 1.5 km further north or south on Dixie, accessible to, but not abutting a residential neighbourhood

Thank you for your consideration

Lorraine Katanik (Ward 3 Resident)

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo Rockwood Mall
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 7:23:31 PM

This is the email that I forwarded to Chris Fonseca in response to our meeting and my many concerns about the relocation to Rockwood Mall.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to listen to Delta, Rockwood and yourself. I understand the position of Delta and Rockwood for their position on relocating and leasing the premises st Rockwood.

My concern is on the impact on our community with traffic volume and developmental community impact, as well of the increase of community noise, drugs and vagrancy. It is my belief that the city has approached this application in an inappropriate manner and needs to delay or deny the application of relocation to Rockwood.

As you are one vote and one voice, it is you who represents this community and know that you will represent us in a professional and positive manner and look out for our interests.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and representation.

Luciano Novia
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Re: Councillor Chris Fonseca- Ward 3-E Update December 22, 2022
Date: Thursday, December 22, 2022 6:30:07 PM

Chris,

I won't claim to be knowledgeable about the permitting/approval process for the relocation of a business. That said, the news below comes across as NIMBY, anti-business, and overregulation. There has been a bar adjacent to this location for as long as I can recall. That and a Beer Store...

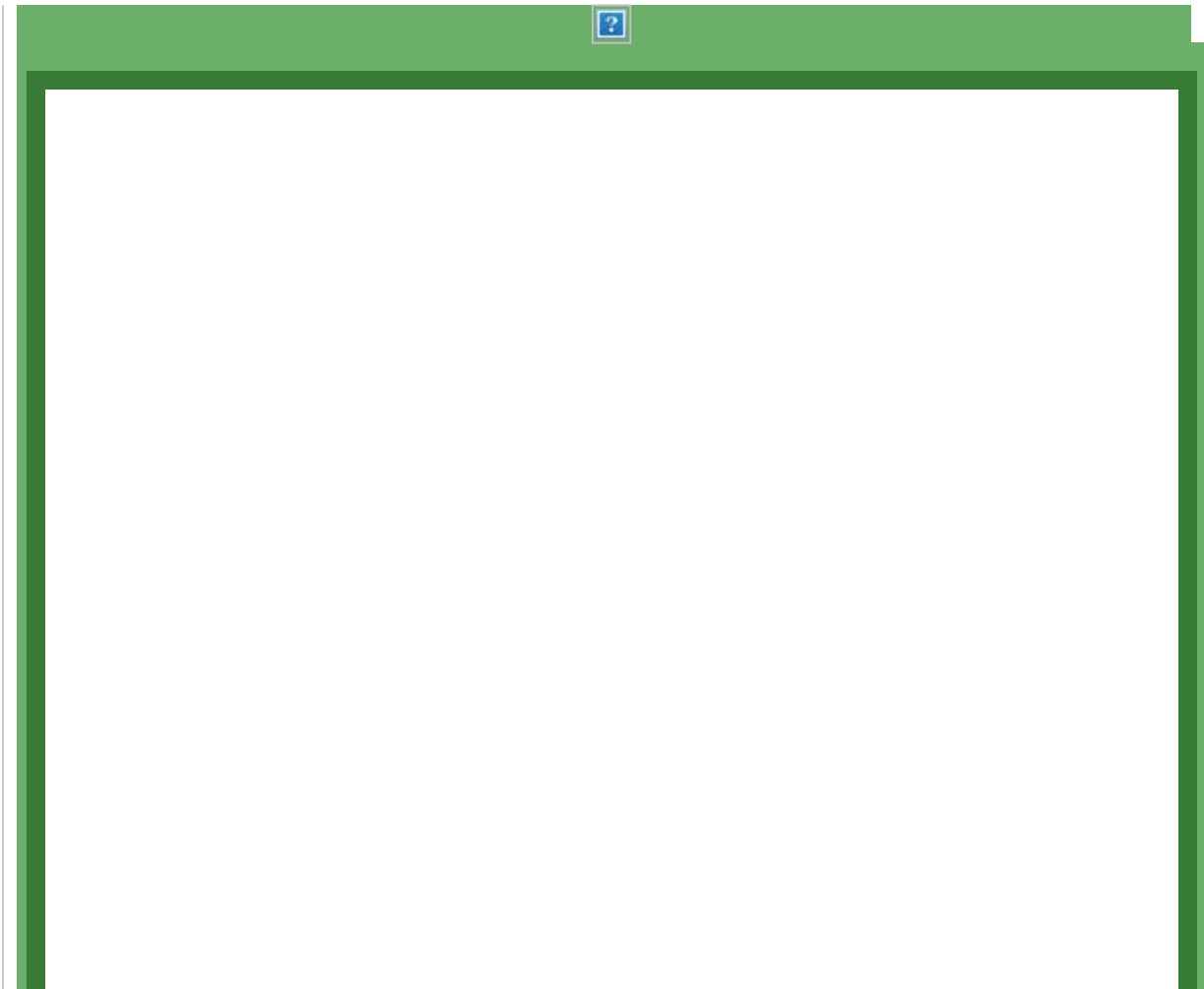
It makes no difference to me if this Bingo is on Dundas or at Rockwood Mall. It sounds like some residents with nothing better to do have found something to latch onto.

Wanted to provide some balanced feedback.

Happy Holidays!

Marc Hubert

On Thu, Dec 22, 2022 at 3:16 PM Councillor Chris Fonseca <chris.fonseca@mississauga.ca> wrote:



From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Re: Objection to Delta
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 1:10:23 PM

Please note: I, and many of our community members, object to having Delta in the Rockwood Mall.

Regards,

Marianna Cosentino

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Re: Councillor Chris Fonseca- Ward 3-E Update December 22, 2022
Date: Saturday, December 24, 2022 6:27:40 PM

Hi Chris,

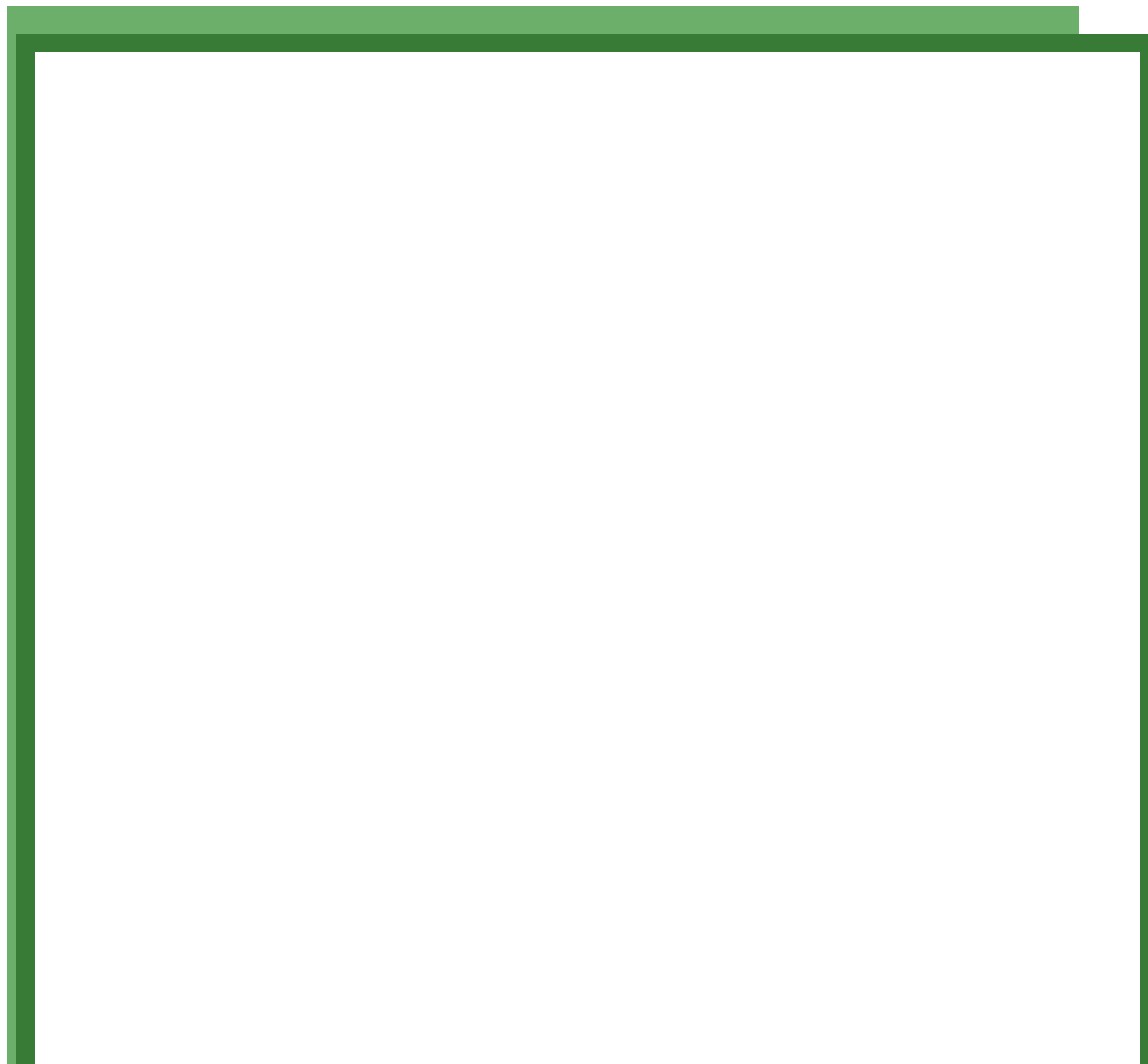
Merry Christmas! Please continue to oppose the relocation of Delta Bingo. It will have serious negative consequences to our community if it is allowed to relocate to Rockwood Mall and install slot machines. There is already way too much gambling in our society and governments seem only to care about the short term revenue not the negative social impact on people and communities.

Regards,

Marc

Sent from my iPad

On Dec 22, 2022, at 3:16 PM, Councillor Chris Fonseca <chris.fonseca@mississauga.ca> wrote:



From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall
Date: Monday, February 13, 2023 12:57:45 PM

I STRONGLY OBJECT to Bingo locating in Rockwood mall.

Many reasons follow:

- bad unsafe traffic congestion on both Dixie & Burnhamthorpe entries
- parking design problems inside the mall exacerbate the above
- endangerment to all pedestrians entering from Bough Beeches due to lack of separate sidewalk
For seniors, strollers, teenage groups

I am aware that there has been a fatality here in the past due to bad traffic. I am requesting that Mississauga does a traffic study before they make any decision.

I am an independant driving senior residing in one of the 3 seniors residences abutting this mall.

Sincerely, Mary Belas

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](mailto:Chris.Fonseca)
Subject: Fwd: Comments related to Delta Bingo relocation to Rockwood Mall
Date: Friday, February 10, 2023 12:00:38 PM

Sent this email with my comments to the below contacts yesterday. I assume the city.clerk@mississauga.ca email will get this to you but in case it does not. I just needed to air my thoughts on this as the way the virtual meeting went on Tuesday, I didn't want to get into it in that forum.

Thanks,
Mary Ellen Hubert
[REDACTED]

Begin forwarded message:

From: MaryEllen Hubert [REDACTED]
Subject: Comments related to Delta Bingo relocation to Rockwood Mall
Date: February 9, 2023 at 11:12:36 AM EST
To: City.clerk@mississauga.ca, Anika.Szabo@agco.ca, info@deltabingo.com

Hello!

I am a 35+ year resident of Rockwood Village of Ward 3 and am sending my comments related to the Delta Bingo proposal for Rockwood Mall. **I attended the virtual meeting hosted by Councillor Fonseca on Tuesday Feb 7 but did not have any questions or offer my comments there.**

It was clear to me that there was much distaste for the relocation of Delta Bingo to Rockwood Mall. However, **I did not share the opinions of the vast majority** who became quite passionate (or dare I say, disrespectful and rude?) in the meeting.

Firstly, let me say that neither my husband nor myself are "bingo-goers". However, many years ago, we participated in 'working the bingos' for our now-adult sons' hockey teams and saw the good that went to the organizations that benefited from Bingo. Other than the obvious benefit through charity, we have no personal interest in Delta Bingo being at Rockwood Mall. Regardless, I was somewhat dumbfounded by the absolute display of NIMBYism that was voiced at the meeting.

Let's face it. Rockwood Mall is NOT a fancy mall but IS one of convenience. Grocery stores, banks, Pharmacy, Food Court for neighbours to meet, Personal Service shops all make up this mall. We are fortunate in this community to have a HomeSense, Winners and even a gym to draw business to the mall. I count myself fortunate that I can walk to this mall and reduce the carbon footprint of my area. What I, personally, am most dismayed about is when I see vacant store space, including the old Rona/Vaccine Clinic site. Vacant store space 'depresses' a mall. The fact that the space is empty contributes to less traffic to the mall, a little less business for the businesses already there that may want to capitalize on that traffic and less services for the community in general.

I don't really see much downside to the relocation of Delta Bingo to the old Rona space. Those clearly opposed at the virtual meeting cited issues of traffic, and access to the mall in general. There are issues of traffic flow into the mall from Dixie Road (not at all hours of the day) but this really has nothing to do with a Bingo Hall relocation and could be ameliorated with clear signage. The mall actually has 5 points of access! There are days that parking is an issue (also cited that this would worsen with the Bingo Hall presence) but also much of the time, there is plenty of parking space closest to Dixie and just north of the Esso taken up by pigeons that somebody insists on feeding!!

I think it needs to be considered that Bingo runs sessions at 7 and 10 PM Monday to Wednesday's, 1, 4, 7 and 10 PM Thursday to Sun and also 10AM on Saturday's and Sundays. I don't see these times as having terrible impact on traffic

or parking. The CEO of Delta Bingo indicated that they would be ecstatic IF the numbers of patrons/cars were any where in the realm that some of the opposers were citing. Delta Bingo is hoping to attract their current Mattawa customers a few kilometres up the street and are encouraged by public transit access to the mall. So clearly some patrons would be arriving that way.

The Rockwood Village area is an aging area. I think I saw somewhere that around 60% of this community is 'retired'. Whether or not that statistic includes those living in the 2 retirement homes adjacent to the mall I'm not sure. But I see the Bingo Hall as an opportunity for this part of the community. Some seniors could 'walk' to the mall for a session of bingo. I'm not ruling out the fact that my husband and I might do just that, especially given the convenience.

I see Delta Bingo relocation as an opportunity for other businesses in the mall. Heck, the Wing bar/restaurant may see an uptick of business by players who might arrive early, go in and purchase a bite to eat before their Bingo session. Ditto for other food establishments in the mall, as well as Shoppers Drug Mart and really any other business.

There is no immediate opportunity for this Delta Bingo site to be able to have Slot machines. While I wouldn't be in favour of turning this site into a full-on gambling establishment, IF that ever came to pass, I'm sure that those so vehemently opposed would be given opportunity to cite their concerns. Perhaps the location is not large enough anyway? The provincial government seems to be focused on having everyone at home on sports gambling sites or likely wouldn't want to draw away too much business from Woodbine or other major Casinos. But who could blame Delta Bingo for wanting more business at their location!

People are inherently opposed to change. The Not-in-My-BackYard sentiment displayed at the Virtual meeting certainly confirmed that. But people also need to realize that their neighbourhood IS changing, right in front of their eyes and for reasons far different than a Bingo Hall. Often, change is for the better.

I realize that Mississauga Council must approve this relocation. I hope that other Councillors (non-Ward 3) get to learn (or already understand) the benefits that this relocation could have on the Ward 3 community.

Sincerely,

Mary Ellen Hubert

From: [REDACTED]
Subject: Delta Bingo
Date: Thursday, December 22, 2022 5:28:14 PM

>

> It was with shock that I read about the proposal of this business to move to Rockwood Mall. I am firmly opposed to this type of activity being established in a mall that caters to families. I have lived in this area for over 40 years, raised a family and have witnessed the many changes that Rockwood Mall has undergone. I am a frequent shopper at this mall...sometimes daily. This mall has always been family oriented and provided niche shopping businesses. Delta Bingo and Gaming just doesn't fit with the family oriented nature of the mall... Grocery store, Chucky Cheese, Burger King, Winners, and Shoppers DrugMart to name a few of the long established businesses there.

> Please add my name and contact information as being opposed to the threat to family values that a gaming establishment would create. This business belongs more to an industrial mall than a shopping mall surrounded by family residences and small shop owners. I would like Council to block the relocation of this business to Rockwood Mall.

> Thank you.

> Nancy Smith

> [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: No Bingo Hall at Rockwood Mall
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 10:27:52 AM

Hello,

I'm writing to let you know that we are opposed to the proposed Bingo Hall at Rockwood Mall. It would not be a good fit for our area, especially if slot machines are introduced. Our community would be affected in a negative way, with the additional safety risks, noise and traffic.

My neighbours and I ask that the proposed Bingo Hall plans be blocked.

Thank you,

Natalie Pawlenko-Lomaga and George Lomaga

Sent from my iPhone

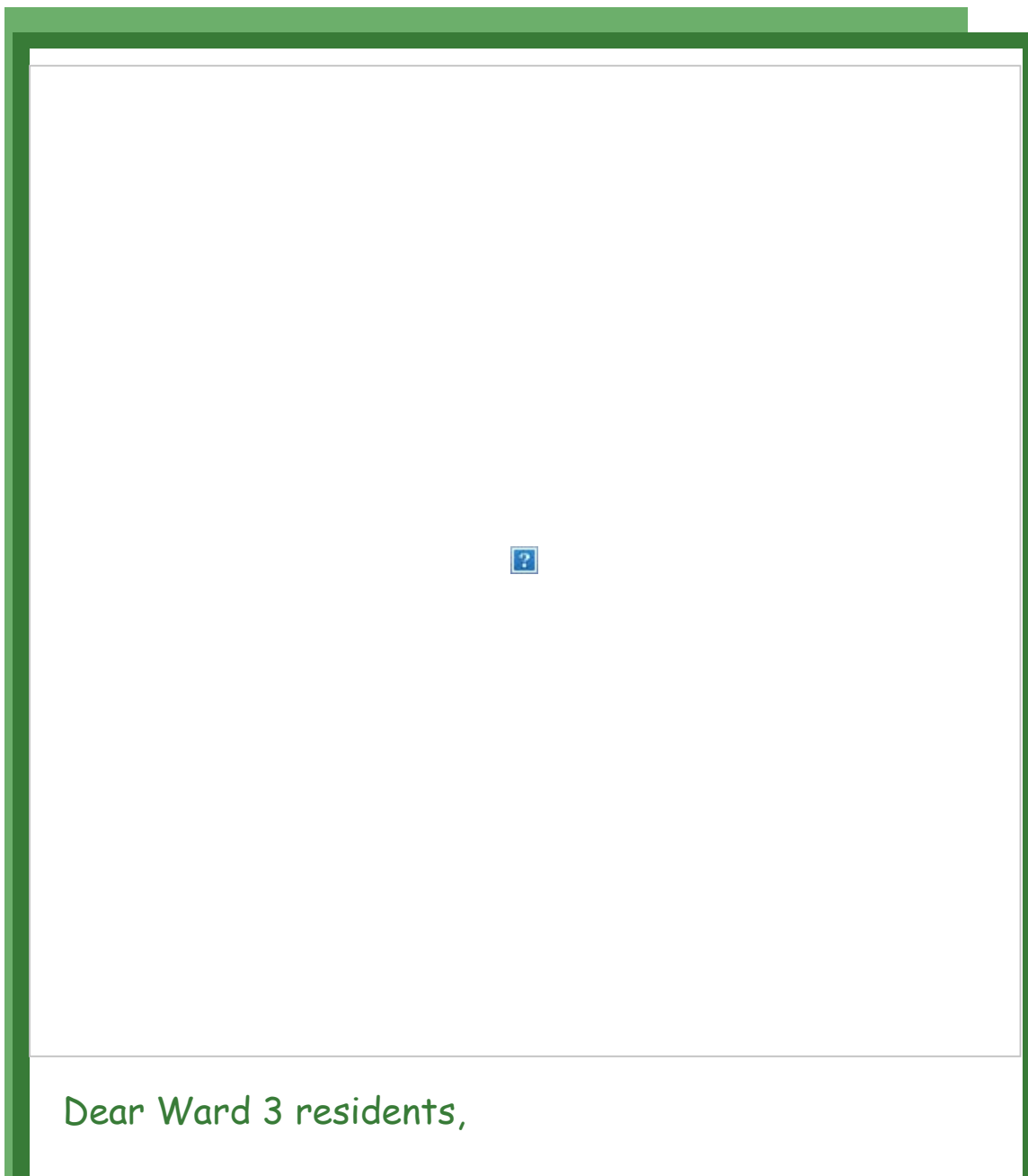
From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: No bingo hall
Date: Saturday, December 24, 2022 2:56:54 PM

Councillor,

What ever needs to be done to stop this bingo hall from moving into Rock Wood Mall would be greatly appreciated.

Norma

On Dec 22, 2022, at 3:16 PM, Councillor Chris Fonseca <chris.fonseca@mississauga.ca> wrote:



Dear Ward 3 residents,

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Cc: [Chris Fonseca](#); [Mayor Bonnie Crombie](#)
Subject: Vote Against Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall, Mississauga
Date: Sunday, February 12, 2023 6:23:55 PM

To the City Clerk,

I have been a resident in the Rockwood community for over 5 years. I love our neighborhood for its peaceful and family oriented feel.

I am extremely concerned about Delta Bingo's proposed move to Rockwood mall and **I am opposed to this proposal.**

Community members I speak to are overwhelmingly against the move to Rockwood mall.

Most unsettling, however, was Mr. Fisher's admission during the meeting that should the province open up the program allowing slot machines, *Delta would, without a doubt, convert the site to a full gaming with slots.*

There is plenty of land with transit access north on Dixie in more industrial areas - away from neighbourhoods.

Delta highlights their charity recipients. No one disputes the contributions to charities but they don't talk about the harms to families and communities due to gambling addictions.

The community does not want Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall.

I hope that the City Council and the Mayor act in our best interest and vote to reject this proposal...there are other options.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Norman Eyolfson
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\): Anika.Szabo@agco.ca](mailto:Anika.Szabo@agco.ca)
Subject: Fwd: Bingo hall proposal at 4141 Dixie
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 2:27:28 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image004.png](#)

Hello. Please see my email below in opposition to the relocation of the delta bingo hall to Rockwood mall.

I'm also concerned about the lack of transparency Delta Bingo has given the councillor and community of their effort to move the bingo. It was not even until Thursday February 9th at the community meeting that Councillor Fonseca learned about Delta Bingo appearing in front of council. Public notices were not posted appropriately either.

Both the applewood homeowners association and Rockwood homeowners association is strongly opposed to this move. The community does not want a bingo hall at Rockwood mall.

Pat Schettino
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Pat Schettino [REDACTED]
Date: February 10, 2023 at 5:59:47 PM EST
To: Chris Fonseca <Chris.Fonseca@mississauga.ca>
Cc: "City Clerk (External)" <City.Clerk@mississauga.ca>, Jadie Schettino [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Bingo hall proposal at 4141 Dixie

Good evening Chris,

I was at the delta bingo meeting last night at Rockwood mall. I want to further emphasize my disapproval for the relocation of Delta bingo to Rockwood Mall.

My biggest concern is the traffic volume and access to the proposed location. The traffic is already bad enough in this plaza today and adding 50-100 cars every 2 hours rushing in and out of the mall will cause significant risk to pedestrians (many senior citizens) in this area. Additionally, there have already been a number of serious accidents on Dixie at the traffic lights exiting Rockwood mall. Also, the entry and exit to the mall from Bough beeches is also poorly designed without a walking path for pedestrians. Adding more traffic volume will exacerbate the risk.

Hoping you can help out a stop to this. There are far better and safer locations for a bingo hall. Rockwood Mall is not one of them.

Sincerely,
Pat Schettino



Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 3, 2023, at 4:13 PM, Chris Fonseca
<Chris.Fonseca@mississauga.ca> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your email.

There will be 2 community meetings regarding the relocation of Delta Bingo. If you would like to learn more about the Relocation or have any questions and/or concerns, please feel free to join one of them.

ON-LINE

Tuesday, February 7th at 7 pm

The Meeting will be on WebEX*

Click this link to join: <https://mississauga.webex.com/mississauga/j.php?MTID=me8e6de0d2bedb63606a66886e922b4d0>

Meeting number:

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Password:

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Join by video system

Dial [23188687824@mississauga.webex.com](https://mississauga.webex.com)

You can also dial 173.243.2.68 and enter your meeting number.

Join by phone

1-647-484-1596 CANADA Toll

For more information click please email chris.fonseca@mississauga.ca

IN PERSON

Thursday, February 9th at 7 pm

Location: 4141 Dixie Rd (Rockwood Mall) Unit 1B (Next to the Winners)

For more information and to view the proposal:

<https://chrisfonseca.ca/deltabingo/>

To provide written comments on the proposal you may submit to:

City of Mississauga
city.clerk@mississauga.ca
300 City Centre Drive
Mississauga, ON L5B 3C1

And

Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario
90 Sheppard Avenue West, Suite 200
Toronto, ON M2N 0A4

Kindly,

Camila



Camila Rodriguez Cuello
Corporate Administrative Assistant
Councillor Chris Fonseca, Ward 3
Telephone: 905-896-5300



www.chrisfonseca.ca



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To learn about the latest updates on actions taken by the City of Mississauga visit mississauga.ca/coronavirus. For further COVID-19 information, please visit Region of [Peel Public Health](#)

From: Pat Schettino [REDACTED] >
Sent: Friday, February 3, 2023 4:08 PM
To: City Clerk (External) <City.Clerk@mississauga.ca>
Cc: Chris Fonseca <Chris.Fonseca@mississauga.ca>
Subject: Bingo hall proposal at 4141 Dixie

Good afternoon,

I'm writing to voice my disapproval of the bingo hall relocation to 4141 Dixie Road.

As a victim of crime recently in this community I oppose the relocation of the bingo hall.

Thanks,

Pat Schettino



Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows

From: [REDACTED] Pat Schettino
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Bingo hall
Date: Monday, January 30, 2023 12:13:29 PM

Good afternoon Chris.

I own the residence at [REDACTED] and wanted to voice my disapproval for her bingo hall proposed at rockwood mall.

Recently our community has seen a significant uptick in crime. On December 23 a young woman through a heavy river rock at my SUV and smashed my window causing me to file a police report and file an insurance claim. In taking with my neighbors this girl also damaged three other houses on my street.

2 weeks ago my neighbors house was broken into overnight.

As such we do not want to welcome additional traffic into our neighbourhood. Normally we are a quiet nook in Mississauga and we'd like to keep it this way.

It's also my understanding that the Rockwood homeowners association is opposed to the bingo and a recent survey showed 70% opposition.

Hoping you can help us stop the bingo hall.

Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
 To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
 Subject: Re: Councillor Chris Fonseca- Ward 3-E Update January 20, 2023
 Date: Friday, January 20, 2023 10:25:59 PM

Hi Ms Fonseca

This note is regarding the properties proposed for redevelopment are 1580 Dundas Street East and 1650 Dundas Street East. Specifically the movement of Delta Bingo halls to the residential area of Rockwood Mall.

I can understand that the reason for moving is to vacate a development site. BUT new locations for Delta Bingo should be closer to Industrial/Commercial areas. I feel that moving North on Dixie and Eglinton area will benefit Delta greatly, an ideal location. GREAT public transit routes along Dixie, Eglinton and the Mississauga Transitway. No fuss no mess. Everyone wins and it keeps the Bingo away from Residential areas. And the resulting problems that come with Licenced gambling facilities. Please let me know your thoughts about this issue and the process of the application to move Deltas location. I thought the community was given very short notice about this.

Thanks

Sincerely

Paul and Sharon Marshall

On Fri, Jan 20, 2023 at 10:12 PM Paul M <[\[REDACTED\]](#)> wrote:

Hi Athina

I hope you are well and able to take a look at this.

Just looking at C Fonsecas latest Jan, 20, 2023 E update.

I noticed that the LAST item (buried) in the E update was related to development on Dundas St East. Here is the first paragraph:

"The City of Mississauga has received a development application from 4Q Commercial WP Inc. The proposal is to redevelop two existing commercial properties on the south side of Dundas Street East, on either side of Mattawa Avenue. The municipal addresses of the properties proposed for redevelopment are 1580 Dundas Street East and 1650 Dundas Street East."

Ah it makes sense now. The Delta Bingo Hall conveniently located at 1650 Dundas Street East, is being moved in anticipation of the Development of the properties at this address. C Fonseca is not showing any objection to this move, as it was buried in the last item. And hoping to futher rubber stamp it in future. A virtual meeting is proposed Tues, Jan, 31 at 6:30. I'll be attending, please encourage others too.

AND if the reason for moving is to vacate a development site I can understand this. BUT new locations for Delta Bingo should be closer to Industrial/Commercial area. I feel that moving North on Dixie to around Eglinton area will benefit Delta greatly. GREAT public transit routes along Dixie, Eglinton and the Mississauga Transitway. No fuss no mess. Everyone wins and it keeps the Bingo away from Residential areas.

Please let me know what you think.

Thanks Athina

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo relocation to Rockwood Mall in Ward 3
Date: Friday, February 10, 2023 5:02:29 PM
Attachments: [imageae8f6f.PNG](#)
[image95d33d.PNG](#)
Importance: High

To Whom it May Concern:

I am a resident of Rockwood and member of the Rockwood Homeowners Association. I am writing to express my family's extreme concern, and disapproval, with the proposed relocation of the Delta Bingo Hall to Rockwood Mall. I have attended, along with many of my neighbours, both the virtual townhall and in person meetings this past Tuesday and Thursday. It is clear from the meetings and online polling that an overwhelming majority of residents are concerned and do not approve of the relocation as proposed, for a variety of reasons. Of major concern:

1. Parking and traffic issues associated with the increased traffic in the already, congested mall and surrounding roads as a result;
2. Safety for our children and elderly as a result of the increased traffic;
3. Ability to add slot machines in the future, which **we were told in no uncertain terms they would as soon as they were allowed;**
4. The closeness to residential neighbourhood and propensity to attract "new" gamblers;
5. The unknown of future business operation of the bingo hall ie. expansion to neighbouring Winners, etc.;
6. The effect on the demographics in the surrounding areas, property valuations, etc.;
7. The effect on tenancies in the mall ie. tenants not wanting to be associated with the bingo hall, vacating and attracting tenants that do not reflect a neighbourhood mall; and
8. Potential security issues with cash business.

These are some of the **many concerns** expressed by residents. There is another location just north of Eastgate Pkwy on the west side of Dixie which has plenty of public transit access, plenty of parking and accessibility and will not interfere with a residential neighbourhood. This was proposed to Delta during our meetings and they could not address. Additionally, when asked, Delta was unable to provide any evidence of investigating alternative sites for relocation. The method of information delivery and the procedure on how this relocation request was handled was, in my opinion, unprofessional and could have very well been expedited purposely. It is clear the **majority of neighbouring residents do not accept or approve of the relocation as proposed.** We hope Councillor Fonseca relays our concerns and position to council to allow them to make an informed decision and vote. The residents should have standing and a say in this relocation. We pay our property taxes, maintain our homes and try to make improvements for the generally benefit of the area. Most of us have chosen the area for its cleanliness, parks, school system and people. The proposed relocation of Delta to Rockwood has already had a negative affect on residents attitudes and emotions. This is clear from the reactions and emotions conveyed at both town halls.

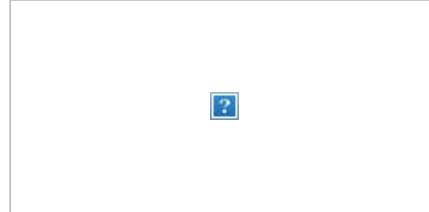
Regards,

Peter Naumis
[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Important: Delta Bingo Relocation
Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 4:21:28 PM

Thank you for being our councillor and bringing this matter forward, Chris

We are concerned about the look of this facility. We went there once and the current facility on Dundas is old and run down.

I also remember Delta running bingo at the Dundas Street location without lighting in the parking lot for over 1 year.

The people are rough looking and yell and scream at each other all night! It's not a good environment for our kids & family. This is a really rough element with low-end bingo players!

Thank you,

Rahul Sharma

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\): anika.szabo@agco.ca](mailto:anika.szabo@agco.ca)
Cc: [Rockwood Homeowners Association](#)
Subject: Relocation of Delta Bingo To Rockwood Mall
Date: Sunday, February 12, 2023 11:49:00 PM
Importance: High

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are residents of Rockwood Village in Mississauga for the past 31 years and we are writing to you regarding the proposed relocation of the Delta bingo gaming site in Mississauga to Rockwood Mall.

Firstly, we would like to express our disappointment in the lack of transparency in the process for this proposed relocation of a gaming site. To our knowledge, there has been to date no public consultation on this proposed establishment of a new gaming site in our residential neighbourhood. Now we learn at the 11th hour that this item is going to Council this week! We have also discovered that the operator has already entered into a 10 year lease with the landlord of Rockwood Mall.

Secondly, we would like to be clear that we are not at all supportive of having a bingo gaming establishment in our residential community. It is our understanding that although at this time the operator is proposing to run a bingo establishment, once the operator has obtained the required approvals to establish a new gaming site at the new location in Rockwood there are no further approvals or public consultations required to implement slot-like electronic cabinet style bingo machines similar to the ones at casinos. We do not believe that this potential operation has been communicated to the residents of Rockwood. In fact, the information to date has been misleading to suggest that the operation will continue to be operated as a bingo hall and not a gaming site where expanded gaming is permitted. Furthermore the operator admitted at the public meeting that was finally held a few days ago that it is their intention to convert this site to a full fledged gaming site with slot like electronic games once the Province/OLG opens up the program again.

If you have any questions regarding our above submission, please do not hesitate to contact us at [REDACTED]

Regards,

Randy Rason

From: [REDACTED]
To: kaleed.rasheed@pc.ola.org; [Chris Fonseca](#)
Cc: [Randy Rason](#)
Subject: Relocation of Delta Bingo to Rockwood Mall
Date: Monday, February 6, 2023 1:21:22 PM

Dear MPP Kaleed Rasheed and Councillor Chris Fonseca

We are residents of Rockwood Village in Mississauga and we are writing to you regarding the proposed relocation of the Delta bingo gaming site in Mississauga to Rockwood Mall.

Firstly, we would like to express our disappointment in the lack of transparency in the process for this proposed relocation of a gaming site. To our knowledge, there has been to date no public consultation on this proposed establishment of a new gaming site in our residential neighbourhood.

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If you have any questions regarding our above submission, please do not hesitate to contact us at [REDACTED]

Regards,

Randy Rason and Marylee Farrugia

From: [REDACTED] Rick Connors
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo Rockwood Mall
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 12:48:01 PM

We are definitely apposed to this location becoming a bingo hall. Historically bingo attracts the elderly, lower income area residents and such halls should not be available in residential areas for ease of access to this demographic. The lack of open communication around the lease also suggests to us that Delta knows they would not be welcome and are trying to establish this location through the back door. Slot machines would not be welcome now or in the future even the penny machines which I am told can take large deposits. Slots are only the start of the demise of bingo and then the clients start changing from the elderly all the way down to our kids. Gambling halls of any sort do not belong in residential areas period. It's bad enough that online gambling is so accessible and taking in high profits of the backs of our neighbours. To repeat, no they are not welcome in my neighbourhood.

From: [REDACTED]
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 11:04:24 PM

My husband and I have been residents in Rockwood for 37 years and we have seen the many changes, both positive and negative, in Rockwood Mall. This proposal to have Delta Bingo at the mall is definitively a negative!

First, the traffic flow is a disaster, especially at the Dixie Rd entrance. Incoming traffic is bottle necked because many drivers don't realize they do not have a stop, but do anyways. Cars are stopped/parked along the store fronts making it difficult for traffic to continue through easily. So increasing traffic would be a major safety concern, unless the entrance is reconfigured dramatically.

Secondly, the mall management has been asked over the years to make a proper walking entrance into the mall from Bough Beaches, but have not made it safe for their patrons. There is no sidewalk along the driveway and people either walk on the curb or on the driveway entrance which in itself is not safe as cars don't have that much room to avoid the pedestrians. There is a small paved pathway at the corner of Rathburn and Bough Beaches leading into the parking lot to Food Basics. When we had the recent snow storm, the parking lot was ploughed but the paved path was not forcing the senior in their walkers to trudge through snow and mud in order to make their way to Food Basics. This is shameful and shows a complete disregard for the Mall's patrons.

Thirdly, there is no doubt that slot machines will be introduced in the future and there are certainly more suitable locations in industrial plazas nearby that would accommodate all the needs Delta Bingo has ie access to transportation and parking.

We all agree that many charities rely on bingo proceeds however, the majority of residents do not think Rockwood Mall is a suitable location for Delta Bingo. We realize this is a business deal but this is not the type of business Rockwood residents want to see in the Mall and although the recent events have put a major strain on businesses, surely they could use that space that would be more suited to our community.

Rita Poprawa
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Bingo Delta Hall
Date: Monday, December 5, 2022 9:37:17 AM

Dear Ms. Fonseca

As close neighbors of Rockwood Mall we are not in favour of the proposed Bingo Hall application.

The demographics of the area has changed. Recently we have seen more people begging at the intersection of Dixie and Burnhamthorpe road, and also at the Mall.

Adding a Bingo Hall in the vicinity would only add to their impoverished condition, as activities like Bingo are an addictive form of gambling.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

R Parsons

From: [REDACTED] Silvia Rozenbergs
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 11:22:26 AM

No bingo at Rockwood. Seniors do not want to waste money. Building can be divided into a small hardware store such as home hardware and a store for crafts or sewing. I don't drive and a craft store I could walk to would be amazing. Things like paints and wallpapers are also beneficial as well as nails etc

From: [REDACTED] Sonia Commisso
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo
Date: Friday, February 10, 2023 11:07:01 PM

I do not want a Delta Bingo at the Rockwood Mall in my neighborhood.

This is not good for many reasons

1. Safety

2. Value of our homes

3. Not appropriate activity for a family neighborhood

And the list goes on

4. Addictions that lead to family problems and so many other problems.

I do not want it and neither does any of my family members

Sent from my iPhone

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Applewood Hills & Heights AHHRA](#)
Cc: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Re: Proposed Delta Bingo relocation to Rockwood Mall
Date: Saturday, December 24, 2022 11:33:58 AM
Attachments: [BingoHallsOntario1.png](#)
[BingoHallsOntario2.png](#)
[The Star-Bingo halls into casinos .pdf](#)

To Athena Tagidoo,
 Applewood Hills & Heights AHHRA

Thank you for this notice. We really appreciate your email communications. You are providing a very valuable service to our community.

We live near Rockwood Mall. We are opposed to the relocation of the bingo hall to Rockwood. We are also opposed the introduction of gaming machines and to a liquor license. (Note - not just "slot machines", but all casino gaming machines)

You may share our comments and attachments below with anyone as long as we remain anonymous. We do not have the time nor the energy to participate in discussions or email exchanges.

[REDACTED]
 Ward 3

Our comments:

- Bingo halls across Ontario are evolving into casino-like establishments filled with electronic gaming machines. This is a slippery slope that is evident and inevitable even if the operators claim "just bingo" will be there. The popularity of bingo is decreasing and at least 37 bingo halls in Ontario have already been converted into "modernized" gaming centres (references attached).
- The support of charities would be offset by social and financial harm to our community. Vegas-style gaming machines feed into gambling addiction with very serious consequences to addicts and their families. The trend enabled by the gaming machines is that the size of bets is larger and the pace of betting is faster, so people can quickly lose large amounts of money. (See the Toronto Star article below).
- Electronic gaming machines attract money launderers whom we do not want in our neighbourhood.
- The Dixie/Burnamthorpe corner is a heavy traffic area. Adding a nearby bingo casino-style establishment with a liquor license and long hours would increase the possibility of DUI traffic accidents in the area.
- As an alternative to being patrons of gaming centres, people who like bingo should be allowed to play in community centres as a social activity (it is illegal to play for nickels and dimes in Ontario!). Mayor Bonnie Crombie, in 2016, called on the Ontario government to

change its gaming laws (see CBC article link below).

- Here are links to articles about bingo halls in Ontario. A Toronto Star article is attached as a PDF file.

<https://ggbnews.com/article/how-ontario-lottery-gaming-turned-bingo-halls-into-slot-parlors/>

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/seniors-illegal-bingo-mississauga-mayor-gaming-1.3644644>

Sincerely,
(Names withheld), Ward 3

Applewood Hills & Heights AHHRA wrote on 2022-12-22 10:48 PM:

> Dear Applewood Residents,

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> As was noted in a previous email update there are plans for the Delta
> Bingo location currently located just off Dundas at Mattawa Ave. (east
> of Dundas and Dixie on the south side) to be relocated to Rockwood Mall
> next to Winners where the Rona store was before it closed.
> Its current location off Dundas is in an area zoned industrial and
> commercial. The area at Rockwood is residential and commercial.

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> The attached document prepared by Delta Bingo and submitted to the City
> of Mississauga dated October 24, 2022 and addressed to the Mayor and
> Members of Council is titled "A Proposal to Relocate a Class "A"
> Charitable Bingo Hall" and addresses this proposal. The Public Notice
> for this relocation was posted in the Mississauga News in the Nov. 3,
> 2022 print issue and is also attached.

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> The members of the neighbouring Rockwood Homeowners Association (RHA)
> are very concerned about this relocation. They have expressed that they
> would like for this Bingo Hall to remain only for bingo purposes and not
> have slot machines nor alcohol available. If you would like to read
> their position on this, it is available at
> <http://www.rockwoodvillage.ca/bingosurvey2022.html> The results of the
> RHA survey that was conducted from their members showed 70% in support
> of only a bingo hall and nothing more - no alcohol nor slot machines.

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> We would like to conduct our own AHHRA survey from our members on this
> neighbouring community matter and ask that you please take a moment to
> reply to the 2 questions noted below. If you would like to make
> additional comments, please do so.
> Our results will be shared with the RHA Board. Please reply by the end
> of next Thursday, Dec. 29th, 2022.

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> What is your position on the relocation of Delta Bingo from its current
> location to Rockwood Mall?

> 1. Do you /*agree, disagree or not concerned*/ about Delta Bingo's
> relocation to Rockwood Mall?

> 2. If you agree, do you support only a Bingo Hall or a Bingo Hall with
> liquor and slot machines?

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> Thank you and we look forward to your responses.

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> Kind Regards,
> Athina Tagidou, On behalf of
> Applewood Hills & Heights Residents' Association (AHHRA)
> <https://www.applewoodhhra.com/>
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> This email nor any copy and pasted parts of this email can be made and
> then sent to anyone for any reason without prior request for written
> permission from the author(s).
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> Heights/residents email group, please email your request
> toapplewoodhhra@gmail.com <<mailto:applewoodhhra@gmail.com>>for this to be
> done.
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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Chris Fonseca](#)
Subject: Delta Bingo Hall /Casino
Date: Monday, February 6, 2023 6:32:20 PM

Dear Councillor Fonseca.

I hope you are doing well.

I am writing to you regarding the Delta Bingo Hall/ Casino proposal on behalf of myself, several senior neighbours and my mom who lives next to Rockwood Mall. We are very disappointed how this issue was handled. Once again, the community has not been consulted in a timely manner to find out what the community actually wants and needs. This happened with the ongoing bike lane fiasco and the building of the airport runways. I have lived in the area for 43 years and compared to other areas we are an embarrassment. We have asked for simple beautification but millions will be wasted on fencing and bike lanes. The curbs are falling apart and Rockwood Mall is looking dated.

We all know that the addition of a Bingo Hall will attract the wrong crowd and possible crime if it later turns into a Casino. This will also affect property values in the area. The community could have been consulted earlier with other suggestions for the Rona space. Many people I have spoken to have suggested a sit down restaurant such as Moxies where all ages are welcome. There are many take out restaurants but nothing for families. There are several Restaurant associations that could be contacted so they could assist in filling the space. I am sure you could be more aggressive with the players involved and find an alternate location for the Bingo hall in a commercial mall area away from our residential area.

There still is an opportunity to make Rockwood Mall more upscale and appealing. I spoke to you in the past about beautiful creative malls in the USA that have a live, work and play concept that could be adopted in the future if the owner of Rockwood Mall chooses to erect condos. However, at the present time we hope Rockwood Mall can become more beautiful, inclusive and a place that is safe for everyone.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Myhal
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: rha.executive@gmail.com; Chris Fonseca; City Clerk (External); Anika.Szabo@agco.ca
Subject: FW: Call to Action
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 5:02:34 PM
Importance: Low

Hello.

I am forwarding this mailing from the Rockwood Homeowners' Association (RHA) to those Rockwood neighbours and family/friends whose email I have, in case you haven't seen it.

This lunacy with Delta Bingo wanting to plant seeds for a future casino in Rockwood Mall will impact all of us living here in numerous negative ways, much more than just financially re. the diminished value of our homes. We must all act to see that this is nipped in the bud. Bingo halls are fine in industrial areas, away from family-oriented (not to mention traffic congested) neighbourhoods. *Many* such locations were pointed out at the meetings as available to Delta (e.g. just a few clicks north on Dixie, either side of the 401), but they simply refuse to consider any other location - most likely because they've *a priori* signed a lease with Rockwood Mall.

If you weren't at either the online meeting on Tuesday last, or the in-person meeting on Thursday, know that it was a farcical attempt by Delta, supported by an insult-to-intelligence head-nod from the mall management's lawyer, to use charities as a "human shield" to mask their intentions to ultimately run an alcohol-licensed casino in Rockwood Mall. Just consider, for a moment, the implications of that on traffic and clientele in our mall and surrounding neighbourhood. ...

Please take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with this issue by at last reviewing what's on the RHA Website (www.rockwoodvillage.ca) at <http://www.rockwoodvillage.ca/bingosurvey2022.html>. If you've not attended any City Council meetings, this may well be *the* one. And submit the survey:-)

Steve Pozgaj / Zoralot / [REDACTED] / "Technology strategy, with business sense"™

When choosing between two evils, I always like to take the one I've never tried before. — Mae West, in "Klondike Annie" 1936

From: RHA Board [<mailto:rha.executive@gmail.com>]
Sent: February-11-23 9:32
To: undisclosed-recipients:
Subject: Call to Action

Two community meetings were held this past week. The general tone of residents who spoke at the meetings was that a bingo hall is not welcome in our Rockwood Mall. On Thursday, it was announced that this matter would be put on the agenda for the Council Meeting on February 15th. The RHA will make a deputation at this meeting.

Unfortunately, we believe that Delta has already signed a lease with Rockwood Mall. The meeting at Council may only be a rubber stamp. However, a strong showing of support would go a long way to convince the council that this Bingo Hall is not who we are. Our understanding is that council still would have to approve the lease. We encourage anyone who can attend, join us in the council chamber at City Hall at 9:30 a.m. If you wish to speak,

or attend the meeting virtually, you must register: angie.melo@mississauga.ca.

There is no dispute that the charities associated with Delta Bingo provide many services and good deeds for our community. That does not mean that if Delta does not locate at Rockwood, these charities will not move with Delta to another location. There are other locations available in close proximity.

Our greatest concern is the introduction of slot machines and the safety of pedestrians accessing the location. We are also disappointed that we were not advised that there was already a lease in place. Just another example of keeping those who should have the facts in the dark.

To support our deputation, we ask you to go to the survey posted on our website. https://www.allcounted.com/s?did=kxnmj06n9mxnf&lang=en_US This is not the same survey we posted in December. Our first survey results were overwhelmingly against allowing the Bingo Hall, but the questions have changed to: do you support or do you not. Almost 70% of our last survey said NO. After these meetings, we suspect support will be even lower. If you have not recently sent a response to the city or the AGCO, as to your thoughts on the Bingo Hall, please do so now:

1. City.clerk@mississauga.ca
2. Anika.Szabo@agco.ca

The deadline for the survey and submission of your response is Monday February 13th. If you have never done anything to support your community, now is the time!



Rockwood Homeowners' Association

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From: [REDACTED] Theresa Strukel
To: [City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Subject: I am Against the Bingo Hall moving to Rockwood Mall.
Date: Saturday, February 11, 2023 1:59:33 PM

From: [REDACTED]
To: [Laura: City Clerk \(External\)](#)
Cc: [Chris Fonseca](#); [RHA Board](#); [MPP Khaled](#); [customer.service@agco.ca](#); [Mayor Bonnie Crombie](#)
Subject: RE: Against Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall, Mississauga
Date: Sunday, February 12, 2023 10:16:57 PM

To The City Clerk and members of City Council,

I whole heartedly second Laura Fieldhouse sentiments in her previous email (below) and strongly oppose the establishment of the Delta Bingo Hall in our community.

Please vote against this proposal in support of the community most impacted and not the business most benefited.

Thank you,
Vanessa Carty

----- Original message -----

From: Laura [REDACTED] >
Date: 2023-02-11 7:02 a.m. (GMT-05:00)
To: city.clerk@mississauga.ca
Cc: Chris Fonseca <Chris.Fonseca@mississauga.ca>, RHA Board <rha.executive@gmail.com>, MPP Khaled <kaleed.rasheed@pc.ola.org>, Vanessa Carty [REDACTED] >, Judith Davidson <[REDACTED]>, customer.service@agco.ca, mayor@mississauga.ca
Subject: Against Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall, Mississauga

To the City Clerk,

I have been a resident in the Rockwood community for over 20 years. I love our neighborhood for its peaceful and family oriented feel.

I am very concerned about Delta Bingo's proposed move to Rockwood mall and am opposed to this proposal.

I attended a virtual session with Delta's CEO, Shawn Fisher, hosted by Councillor Fonseca on Tuesday, February 7.

The community members on the call were overwhelmingly against the move to Rockwood mall. Mr. Fisher was extremely evasive when answering questions about possible alternate locations further north up Dixie Rd that would still be accessible by transit, but not in the middle of a residential neighbourhood.

Both Mr. Fisher and Mr. Ceplar (representing Rockwood Mall) we're dismissive of traffic concerns around the site and of the poor access from Bough Beeches (no sidewalk) which would be the likely access point for many seniors coming from the retirement homes behind the mall.

Most appalling, however, was Mr. Fisher's admission (only after being repeatedly questioned

by a community member) that should the province open up the program allowing slot machines, Delta would, without a doubt, convert the site to a full gaming with slots.

Our community does not need a gaming hall in our residential neighborhood.

Delta will highlight their charity recipients and their good work before City Council. No one disputes the incredible contributions of these charities. It is the location that is extremely problematic.

The community does not want Delta Bingo at Rockwood Mall and I hope that City Council and the Mayor, as our community's elected representatives, act in our best interest and vote to reject this proposal.

Thank you
Laura Fieldhouse



Delta Bingo is on the Council agenda for February 15, 2023, they have requested to make a deputation and present to Mayor and Council their request to relocate to Rockwood Mall in Ward 3.