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2024-04-29	1	I have been to two public meetings regarding the Baha'i development proposal and residents, community groups, rate payers' associations and other organizers representing various groups such as the Thornhill Horticultural, the Toronto Field Naturalist, and the Bayview Fairways Environmental Club have all stated they are against this massive environmentally destructive proposal. They have stated many educated reasons why this development is inappropriate for this location. The TRCA has not given approval. There is no benefit to the community, only harm to the animals and their environment and to residents. When is the city going to listen to their constituents and say no to this development as it currently is proposed?	Kimberly Seymour	City of Markham: We are listening to comments and will bring forward a Recommendation Report in the future. Applicant: See Response 25 in the Response in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	2	Why does a temple need a hotel?	King Narn	Applicant: See Response 5 and 13 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	3	If this hotel takes away business from local hotels, should it be taxed?	King Narn	Applicant: See Response 5 and 13 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	4	Why put a hotel in a green area? So Baha'i visitors have priority access to German mills meadows instead of Markham and GTA residents?	King Narn	Applicant: See Response 5 and 13 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	5	Who's responsible for patrolling?	King Narn	Applicant: City of Markham By-law and York Region Police.
2024-04-29	6	Who will pay for the extra garbage and maintenance?	King Narn	Applicant: Extra garbage and maintenance needs of the properties owned by the Bahá'í will be the responsibility of the property owner. See Response 18 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	7	Why does Baha'i buy 4 Waterloo Court? Is it a tactic to monopolize this local green area for their own use?	King Narn	Applicant: See Response 32 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	8	Where does the exhaust from the hotel and restaurant be directed? Southbound to a residential area or blow directly into the German mills area?	King Narn	Applicant: A hotel and restaurant is NOT proposed. Venting and exhaust will be determined during detailed design phases in accordance with standard code requirements. See Responses 5, 13 and 22 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	9	Regarding the proposed temple development at German Mills, has a land swap been considered? This would preserve a very environmentally sensitive and unique area, not to mention better accommodate the traffic which a dead-end road is not able to handle. Recall that this meadow is one of only 2 known nesting sites in the GTA for the bobolink bird.	Sarah Chabot	Applicant: The temple is not proposed in environmentally sensitive areas or within the German Mills Meadow and Natural Habitat. See Response 1 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	10	I think it would be worthwhile for both Bahá'í and the community to discuss facility use in more detail. An important and overlooked component is that we all should be able to use these facilities without being 'Bahá'í' per se.	(direct contact to Keith)	Applicant: See Response 3 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-04-29	11	How the lodging will work	(direct contact to Keith)	Applicant: See Response 5 and 13 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-29	12	Typical guest itinerary - i.e. will 100 guests be taken for a tour through the meadow? Will they likely remain on premises, etc.	(direct contact to Keith)	Applicant: All programming and events associated with the Bahá'í National Centre and Temple will be held on the Bahá'ís property as they are today. See Response 3 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-04-29	13	The temple is supposed to be open to all. Can anyone just walk in at any time? Will the gate be closed?	(direct contact to Keith)	Applicant: See Response 3 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-04-29	14	How the community can also use the meeting rooms (I don't think we need to be Bahá'í)	(direct contact to Keith)	Applicant: See Response 3 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-04-29	15	Security expectations	(direct contact to Keith)	Applicant: Clarification as to the question required.
2024-04-29	16	What actions are residents supposed to follow if there are problems with noise, parking and other disturbances? I ask, because issues like these often occur at weekends, and as we know at the best of times, By-law is stretched thinly, and it's even harder to reach someone on weekends. Many of us know how difficult it can be to get by-law involved with off leash dogs in the park.	Gail Lavery	City of Markham: Contact City's By-law Enforcement Division.
2024-04-29	17	Has the Ministry of Environment been contacted regarding the protection of the endangered species of birds that nest in this area? As of March 25, 2024, MECP Permissions Staff had not yet been contacted by the proponent.	Gail Lavery	Applicant: See Response 71 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	18	Will both the Meadow and lake-to-lake paths remain open during all phases of construction of this proposed development?	Gail Lavery	Applicant: Yes, no construction is proposed in the German Mills Meadow and Natural Habitat or along the existing Lake-to-Lake Trail within the parkland, and as such will not be impacted or closed during construction. Access to the Bahá'í National Centre, the homes along Waterloo Court, the Lake-to-Lake Trail, and German Mills Meadow and Natural Habitat will be maintained during construction.
2024-04-29	19	What happens if there are more cars/people than space allows? For example, there are approximately 230 proposed parking spaces (some of which are shared with the public). The Temple has a capacity of 400. Plus, the Convention Centre, Banquet Hall (the capacity of these two buildings is unknown). Surely there will be occasions when there is a parking shortfall. What are the contingency plans for this situation? In the Baha'i presentation of January 24, 2024, it stated required parking is: Temple = 10 weekday/35 weekend, (100 peak). National Centre = 25 daily (100 peak).	Gail Lavery	Applicant: See Response 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-29	20	I believe there are around 15 holy day events in the Baha'i Faith calendar. Given these relatively small numbers of expected visitors overall, please help me understand why there is a need for a Convention Centre, Banquet Hall, and Lodging.	Gail Lavery	Applicant: See Response 13 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, and the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-04-29	21	Will permission be given for the Banquet Hall and/or Convention Centre to be rented out to third parties for events?	Gail Lavery	Applicant: No. See Response 13 and 23 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, and the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-04-29	22	If rental to a third party is not permitted, will there be a written document to this effect?	Gail Lavery	Applicant: See above.
2024-04-29	23	Applicant: See attached boundaries and the blue circle outlined. Who owns that section of land? (Applicant: See graphics in separate file)	Edith Kangas	Applicant: Bayview Golf and Country Club owns this section of land, and they have been contacted and have no concerns about the proposed improvements to Leslie Street that will require additional land on the east side of Leslie Street.
2024-04-29	24	The plans show a lake-to-lake path to be built through that blue section. Has approval been given to cross through that section? (Applicant: See graphics in separate file)	Edith Kangas	Applicant: Yes, see above.
2024-04-29	25	It looks like the section from the York Region pump station to the entrance of GM, bikes/pedestrians will be forced on the road. Is this true and is it safe? (Applicant: See graphics in separate file)	Edith Kangas	Applicant: No, the proposal is to maintain a separated trail (multi-use path) the entire length of Leslie Street.
2024-04-29	26	Why are the new plans showing lake-to-lake to temple? Is York Region aware of this plan, since they are responsible for the lake-to-lake path? (Applicant: See graphics in separate file)	Edith Kangas	Applicant: Leslie Street is a City of Markham Road. York Region does not have jurisdiction over this road and have reviewed and commented on the application. The applicant is proposing to include a separate pedestrian path along their private driveway from the entrance of the property at the north end of Leslie Street to the Temple.
2024-04-29	27	How many trees will come down for this addition? Or is this path on the road? It will cross both entrances of GM park, making it a hazard. (Applicant: See graphics in separate file)	Edith Kangas	Applicant: See Response 2 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	28	Will an urban road continue to the cul-de-sac? Will the park entrances be affected during construction? (Applicant: See graphics in separate file)	Edith Kangas	Applicant: Access to the properties along Leslie Street will be maintained at all times during construction. The details with the reconstruction of Leslie Street will be confirmed during detailed design in consultation as directed by the City of Markham. The current proposal and technical work prepared by the applicant does not anticipate an urban road design.
2024-04-29	29	How many beds does the lodging hold? How many people does the dining room hold?	Edith Kangas	Applicant: The proposal anticipates 76 single beds (in shared and private rooms) as part of the National Centre. The expanded meeting rooms will accommodate approximately 200 people in peak usage.
2024-04-29	30	Will the City defer the Public Meeting until all the issues are addressed with TRCA, as per their request?	Edith Kangas	A Public Meeting for 7015 Leslie Street has already been scheduled for May 28th, 2024.
2024-04-29	31	How long does it take to fix Leslie?	Kee Nam Ling	Applicant: See Response 36 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	32	Since Leslie needs to be fixed before Baha'i building their temple, is Baha'i paying for the upgrade?	Kee Nam Ling	Applicant: See Response 42 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-29	33	Will the upgrade include urbanization of Leslie with sidewalk and streetlight?	Kee Nam Ling	City of Markham: To be determined - detailed design work has not yet been completed and requires input from City of Toronto, York Region, City of Markham, and TRCA
2024-04-29	34	Leslie is a popular street for animals, will eco ducts be built to help animals navigate safe passage?	Kee Nam Ling	Applicant: See Response 51 and 52 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-29	35	How many trees will be cut down to widen the road?	Kee Nam Ling	Applicant: See Response 50 and 95 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant. City of Markham: To be determined - detailed design work has not yet been completed and requires input from City of Toronto, York Region, City of Markham, and TRCA
2024-04-29	36	Will the lake-to-lake route be accessible during the upgrade of Leslie?	Kee Nam Ling	Applicant: The Lake-to-Lake trail within City parkland will remain open during construction of Leslie Street.
2024-04-29	37	What does the TRCA report say about the widening of Leslie?	Kee Nam Ling	City of Markham: The applicant's floodplain report illustrates Leslie St being raised above the floodplain and provides some engineering analysis. TRCA has several comments on the analysis report, including a request for more analysis to demonstrate no off-site impacts or increase in floodplain risk is caused by the proposed grading changes associated with raising the road.
2024-04-29	38	Will there be enough parking for Markham/GTA residents who want to enjoy German Mills meadow?	Kee Nam Ling	Applicant: There is currently NO dedicated parking for the German Mills Meadow and Natural Habitat, German Mills Settlers Park or the Lake-to-Lake Trail. The proposed improvements to Leslie Street include the addition of designated on street parking.
2024-04-29	39	How many cars/buses will be using this road upon completion? How about the fume pollution to the meadow?	Kee Nam Ling	Applicant: See Response 15 and 16 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	40	Will all of the questions that were submitted from the deputations from the last three public meetings be answered by the City and the Developer prior to the next public meeting?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: The applicant has provided a detailed response to comments and questions provided at the April 9, 2024 Thornhill Subcommittee Meeting and these questions submitted for the May 2, 2024 Community Meeting.
2024-04-30	41	How will the City and the Developer relay the answers to these questions to the public?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: The applicant has posted all the responses to the project website https://temple.bahai.ca/en/plans-and-updates/ as well as circulated to Councillor Irish and the City of Markham
2024-04-30	42	Will the City due its due diligence to cross reference the data provided by Baha'i for their estimated number of visitors and parking requirements as these numbers Applicant: Seem grossly underestimated?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: As with any development application, it is the responsibility of the City of Markham Staff to circulate the application to all review agencies and review the submitted materials.
2024-04-30	43	Will the City examine the calculations provided from Baha'i for their Environment Impact Study for net environmental gains as their data is inflated as the negative impacts have not been added to this calculation which therefore misrepresents the data. There is no timeline included in this calculation which means the equation is not complete.	Kimberly Seymour	City of Markham: Any review of technical documents will be professionally reviewed by subject matter experts at the City of Markham. Applicant: See Response 75 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	44	Will Markham insist on asking the developer to provides his own estimate of the number of annual visitors, and have him compare this estimate with the number who actually visit other National Temple sites?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 3 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, and the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-04-30	45	Has Baha'i contacted the Ministry of Environment in regards to the at-risk species identified in on Baha'i lands and the adjacent German Mills Meadow and Natural Habitat?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 71 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	46	Is the developer following the Endangered Species Act as well as the Migratory Convention Act?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: Yes, see Response 75 and 81 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	47	Does the developer plan to follow recommendations from TRCA and remove the trail through the woodlot and meadow as well as the parking and visitor center in the valley land?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 82 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-30	48	Is the developer following Markham's Green-print Sustainability Plan?	Kimberly Seymour	City of Markham: The Greenprint Sustainability Plan is a corporate strategy that does not apply to applications under the Planning Act. The application has been reviewed by city natural heritage staff in accordance with the Markham Official Plan, the York Region Official Plan and the Provincial Policy Statement. Applicant: See Response 83 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	49	When will the EIS audits be completed for Lots 3 and 4?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 84 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	50	When will the tree inventory be completed at Lot 4?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 85 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	51	When will be able to access the City's report in response to the TRCA report which outline numerous concerns with this project?	Kimberly Seymour	City of Markham: A Recommendation Report will be prepared by Staff and presented to Development Services Committee in the future. Applicant: See Response 86 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	52	What happens if the impacts on the environment are greater than predicted? Will the trail be closed?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: Assuming the question is speaking to the private trail(s) proposed on the Bahá'ís property. Unlike public trails, the applicant will have the authority to close the trails if necessary. See Response 87 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	53	Will the trail be closed during bird breeding and migration seasons?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 88 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	54	How will you avoid salting the trails during the winter?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 89 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	55	Will there be steps, boardwalks, ramps, or bridges, retaining walls planned for the trail due to the steep slopes?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 90 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	56	How will this trail be made to be accessible? Will that significantly widen the trail?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 91 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	57	How will erosion be mitigated?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 92 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	58	Do you agree there should be no lighting on the trail, to protect habitat?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 93 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	59	Will you ensure harmful pesticides and herbicides are not used in the forest or meadow area?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 94 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	60	Is it true the Baha'i plans to extend a path from the Lake to Lake trail on Leslie leading up to the temple? Where would this be proposed? Would this mean more trees would need be cut down?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 95 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	61	Will you ensure tree removal does not occur during bird breeding season of April 1- Sept. 1? Or bird migration season?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 96 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	62	Do you agree to leave fallen and dead trees as they are important to animal habitats and would be much more Canadian?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 97 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	63	What is the height of the average tree where the proposed temple site is located?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 98 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	64	How long will it take for the trees to grow back to become a mature community?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 99 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-30	65	Will the vital meadow land on Lot 3 be protected as is, without encroachment of trails and formal manicured gardens?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 100 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	66	How does Baha'i plan to eradicate the Dog Strangling Vine in Lot 3, on their side of the fence in the meadow without completely tarping the meadow and destroying the whole thing or using harmful herbicides that would affect other animals?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 101 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	67	This area in Lot 3 is too sensitive to use either technique due to bird breeding season. Is a mechanical method, prior to bird breeding season planned?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 101 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	68	What is the capacity of each of the temple, banquet hall, conference area, meeting rooms, restaurant, hotel, day camp? What is the total capacity when every space is full?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 102 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	69	How does Baha'i plan to manage people and traffic if over capacity for special events? Will they use a ticket system?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 103 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	70	How will you regulate large crowds that will walk in the adjacent German Mills Meadow and Natural Habitat to protect this area?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 104 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	71	How many meters is the current proposed temple away from the driveway to the admin?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 105 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	72	What other locations were considered for the temple that would be less environmentally destructive?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 106 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	73	Is it true that the proposed temple will have: Nine entrances with nine paths and nine associated manicured gardens? This would be extremely disruptive to the natural environment. Could they respond to how their design compares? Are there any proposed water features?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 107 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-04-30	74	What are the hours of operation?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 108 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	75	Do they use LEED guidelines?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 109 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	76	Do they follow Night Sky Compliant recommendations?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 110 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	77	Are they using Bird friendly glass to Canadian standards?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 111 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	78	Will there be noise restrictions?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 112 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	79	Who owns the fence along Leslie beside the golf course? Is it Markham's fence or does the Golf course own the fence? Will you work with the golf course and consider changing this metal fence to be more animal friendly with a small space under the fence for migration and low enough for young deer to jump over? Green fencing is best.	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 113 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-30	80	Who owns the boundary fences on the North and East sides. I believe that is Markham's fence as Markham removed the barbed wire. Can you make that fence eco-friendly to allow easier migration for small mammals and deer?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 114 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	81	Have the cars that currently park on Leslie for GTA park users and Lake to Lake trail users been calculated into the parking formulas? That section is already fully used now.	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 115 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	82	Will you protect and enforce no overnight parking at Lot 4 due to safety and flood risks in the hazard zone?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 116 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	83	What is the plan if the parking lot is full and additional vehicles show up?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 117 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	84	Will Police be hired to control traffic at the Leslie and Steeles intersection during big events	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 118 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	85	How do 200+ cars and tour buses turn around?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 119 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	86	Will parking on one side of the street be enforced on Leslie near the park entrance for Emergency vehicle access and well as on Baha'i's private driveway?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 120 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	87	Will No Parking along Waterloo Gate be enforced?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 121 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	88	Can you ensure there will be: No camping? No campfires? No fireworks? No Drones? No loud noise? These guidelines exist at GMMNH	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 122 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	89	What are the construction days and hours?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 123 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	90	Could the Baha'i staff provide more accurate to-scale drawings of the temple and associated buildings with their proposed locations, as currently the drawings are not to scale? The drawings show the temple below tree height. Are you able to provide the average tree height on the drawing and display the temple to scale with that height?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 124 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	91	People in the drawings appear to be really tall can they be more realistic?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 124 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	92	Could more realistic renderings be provided of the temple, showing the temple and buildings after construction with the associated forest removed, new landscaping with gardens, pathways and plantings? Current drawings are showing the mature forest immediately around the temple which would not be the case.	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 125 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	93	Could the developer include a current aerial photograph of the site when comparing the photos from other historical aerials photos when giving presentations?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 126 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-30	94	Will Baha'i be willing to join and be an active member on a committee to work with stakeholders and the City to mitigate encroachment and protection of GMMNH and establish a site control plan and work collaboratively to protect and enhance the park?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 127 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	95	Will Baha'i be willing to financially support Markham to put in place efforts for meadow protections and improvements?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 128 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	96	Will you consider the protection of the forests from the guests? Climate change is real. 1200 species are on the At-risk list in Canada. We need to preserve biodiversity by protecting habitats.	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 129 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	97	Does Baha'i plan to respect the privacy and security for residence on the quiet residential street on Waterloo Court?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 130 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	98	How will the retirement home at Gibson's Long Care at Steeles and Leslie be protected from noise from construction?	Kimberly Seymour	Applicant: See Response 131 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	99	Will Markham ensure within two years after the development is completed that they will revisit the site to compare the predicted number of visitors and vehicles with the actual number of visitors and vehicles and step in to set limits on the developer if the numbers are way higher than claimed?	Kimberly Seymour	City of Markham: As a condition of approval, staff can request that a monitoring program be included to assess actual traffic condition (in comparison to the projected numbers). This commitment will be secured through an Letter of Credit undertaking. Further to this, staff have also requested in their comments that the applicant provide a traffic management plan detailing strategies or steps to plan for transportation needs in advance of special events and to mitigate, respond to, or address potential overflow of parking during these events, including any controls required for on-site and off-site parking arrangement.
2024-04-30	100	Why does a temple need to provide accommodations?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 5, 13 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	101	One document state 75 guests, is this the actual number?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: The proposal anticipates 76 single beds as part of the National Centre.
2024-04-30	102	Why can't visitors stay in Markham hotels?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 5, 13 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	103	Will there be security for residents since our residential neighborhood is turning into a commercial, tourist attraction?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 1, 5, 13, 15, 17, and 19 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	104	What was the purpose of buying a 2.9-million-dollar home on Waterloo Crt? Will they be buying the houses in the area to dominate the community?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 32 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	105	How will noise be mitigated for the residential community with all the tourists expected to attend?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 112 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	106	How many years will it take to construct the temple?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 36 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-30	107	Will the Baha'i redesign the temple to limit the height to the average height of homes in the surrounding residential neighborhoods, and reduce the footprint or square footage of the temple?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 29 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	108	What is the capacity of the temple?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 102 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	109	What other locations were considered for the temple that would be less environmentally destructive?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 106 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	110	Is it true that the proposed temple will have: Nine entrances with nine paths and nine associated manicured gardens? This would be extremely disruptive to the natural environment.	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 107 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	111	Could they respond to how their design compares?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 107 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	112	Are there any proposed water features?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 107 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	113	What are the hours of operation?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 108 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	114	Do they use LEED guidelines?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 109 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	115	Do they follow Night Sky Compliant recommendations?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 110 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	116	Are they using Bird friendly glass to Canadian standards?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 111 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	117	Will there be noise restrictions?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 112 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	118	Are you able to provide the average tree height on the drawing and display the temple to scale with that height?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 124 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	119	Why does a Place of Worship need a banquet hall?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 13 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	120	How many people does it hold?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 102 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-30	121	Will there be enough parking for these scheduled events?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	122	How many events will there be?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 3 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, and the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-04-30	123	Will anyone else have events here? ie weddings and other functions?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: No, this is not a commercial venue.
2024-04-30	124	Are Bahai looking to change the zoning to Commercial to allow all these extra buildings along with the Place of Worship?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: No, the zoning is currently "Residential" and permits "Churches and Religious Institutions". The proposed zoning does not propose a "commercial" zone.
2024-04-30	125	Where will the trash be stored?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 18 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant. Details regarding waste and loading will be determined during site plan approval in accordance with City requirements and best practices.
2024-04-30	126	What preventions will be taken to prevent rodents and wildlife from getting to the bins?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	City of Markham: The City requires internal garbage rooms that are climate controlled
2024-04-30	127	How will the smell from kitchen exhaust and garbage be contained?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	City of Markham: The City requires internal garbage rooms that are climate controlled. Kitchen exhaust is regulated by the Ontario Building Code.
2024-04-30	128	Why should we now have to put up with delivery and garbage trucks and the backing up noises?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	City of Markham: The Bahá'í establishment has been in existence on the property since the late 1960'
2024-04-30	129	How many beds does the lodging hold?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See response 21 and 112 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant. The proposal anticipates 76 single beds as part of the National Centre.
2024-04-30	130	How many people does the dining room hold?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 5, 13 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-04-30	131	Will the City defer the Public Meeting until all the issues are addressed with TRCA, as per their request?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	A Public Meeting for 7015 Leslie Street has already been scheduled for May 28th, 2024
2024-04-30	132	Has the Stormwater management strategy been provided to TRCA?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 37 and 64 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	133	Based on the TRCA comments, they do not approve of any parking or development on 7290 Leslie properties. It is deemed hazardous land. Why is the developer still stating this is viable in their plans?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 35 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-30	134	When will we receive the Tree Inventory for 7015 and EIS report?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 2 and 8 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	135	Why has the Ministry of the Environment not been contacted?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 71 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant. City of Markham: Compliance with the Endangered Species Act is a responsibility of the applicant. The City recommends through the pre-consultation process that all applicants consult with the provincial Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. Staff note that with the exception of the proposed trail, there is no further development proposed within meadow habitats. No species at risk were identified in the development areas.
2024-04-30	136	Will the threatened species protected under the Endangered Species Act be protected on Lot 3?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 55, 56 and 59 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.. City of Markham: Compliance with the Endangered Species Act is a responsibility of the applicant. The City recommends through the pre-consultation process that all applicants consult with the provincial Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. Staff note that with the exception of the proposed trail, there is no further development proposed within meadow habitats. No species at risk were identified in the development areas.
2024-04-30	137	What kind of trails will be used in the forest and how many trees will be felled to accomplish this plan?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 65 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	138	How will the wildlife be protected during the construction?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 49 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant. City of Markham: The recommendations of the EIS will be required to be implemented as a condition of site plan approval. This includes the protection of the majority of natural ecosystems on the Subject Lands with tree protection fencing and erosion sediment fencing. Vegetation removals will be required to be undertaken with respect to wildlife breeding windows.
2024-04-30	139	Where will the staging area be during the temple and building construction? How much area will need to be cleared?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	The proposed construction approach will be finalized during site plan approval. No additional areas beyond those identified will be cleared. Innovative construction methods will be considered to minimize the impact to existing, healthy trees that can be maintained within the area of impact around the temple. The current estimate of tree removals is conservative and will most likely be less than once the temple has been designed and construction methods confirmed.
2024-04-30	140	Will there be a noise study?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	City of Markham: Yes, it will be required through site plan application process
2024-04-30	141	Who will be responsible for the insurance the small trees replaced are surviving under the warranty period?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: There is a 2 year warranty on all plant material. An inspection will be conducted by the Landscape Architect and any trees that are dead or in poor condition will be replaced by the contractor.
2024-04-30	142	The promo video showed the temple being built in Algonquin Park. This certainly is not the vast acreage of Algonquin. More like building between a former landfill and a sewage station. There are better locations than a dead-end street that does not lead into Markham to support tourism. Why cannot the city do a land swap?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	City of Markham: A land swap is not being proposed at this time. The City is evaluating the current proposal at hand. Applicant: See Response 1 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-04-30	143	How long will it take and who will pay for the reconstruction of the Leslie St. Road from Steeles to the Cul-de-Sac? It is understood that the road must be fixed before construction at 7200 & 7290 Leslie St. can begin.	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 42 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	144	Who is paying for the road?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 42 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	145	Will it be urbanized?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	City of Markham: To be determined - detailed design work has not yet been completed and requires input from City of Toronto, York Region, City of Markham, and TRCA.
2024-04-30	146	Will it have a sidewalk?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	City of Markham: Details have not been finalized but the proposal currently includes a separated multi-use path to connect the Lake-to-Lake trail from south of Steeles to the trailhead at the north end of Leslie.
2024-04-30	147	Will it have streetlights?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	City of Markham: To be determined - detailed design work has not yet been completed and requires input from City of Toronto, York Region, City of Markham, and TRCA.
2024-04-30	148	Will it have Eco ducts, to help wildlife navigate safe passage?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 51 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	149	How many trees will come down to widen the road?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 2 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	150	Will the meadow path and the lake to lake be accessible during construction?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: Yes.
2024-04-30	151	Has TRCA approved the concept of raising a section of the road out of the floodplain?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 27 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	152	Will there be enough public parking to access German Mills Park?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 115 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	153	How many cars/buses will be using this road once the project is complete?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	154	There needs to be more information provided about the parking lot on 7015 Leslie St. located right in the flood plain. Is there planned overnight parking? What materials will be used to improve the lot? Will the runoff go into the river?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 116 and 163 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-04-30	155	Parking on 7290 Leslie St. is not supported by TRCA due to being on hazardous land. How will the parking shortfall be rectified?	Edith Kangas & Hajar (on behalf of Settlers Park Residents Association)	Applicant: See Response 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-05-01	156	When will the development finally get the go-ahead (the date, not from a process perspective)?	Les Carter	Applicant: City of Markham to confirm; however, it is the applicants hope that a recommendation report on the current applications for OPA and ZBA will brought to DSC as soon as possible. Following approval of the OPA and ZBA, the Site Plan Approval process can commence including the detailed design work for Leslie Street. Site Plan approval is followed by building and site works permits. We estimate that construction could commence in approximately 2-4 years.
2024-05-01	157	The plan appears to include the removal of a large number of mature trees. Mature trees serve many purposes, including nesting for wildlife, temperature regulation, air filtration, shade and temperature regulation, soil preservation, etc. Immature or young trees, require a lot of care and maintenance to grow properly and they are unable to fill the same role as the mature trees for at least 40 to 50 years. What is the plan to properly maintain and properly replace what is being removed?	Melanie Buckle	Applicant: See Response 2 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	158	The German Mills Meadow is both a habitat for animals and a green space for people to enjoy. There are very few other meaningful green spaces in the area. Why is it so essential for the green space to be significantly permanently damaged with such a large development?	Melanie Buckle	Applicant: See Response 1 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	159	Will the City be publishing the questions that were publicly raised at the two Thornhill Subcommittee meetings and the upcoming May 2, 2024 meeting, and the answers to those questions as they become available?	Mark Newton	Applicant: Yes, See the website https://temple.bahai.ca/ which has been publishing current information as it is available.
2024-05-01	160	Apart from publication of the community's questions and the City's responses to those questions, will there be an opportunity for further engagement with Community members prior to a statutory meeting?	Mark Newton	Applicant: The Bahá'í published a website following the last public meeting with a means of contact should additional comments or questions from the public require attention. A number of members of the public have reached out to the National Assembly of the Bahá'ís with requests for information and meaningful dialogue. These requests are never refused.
2024-05-01	161	Given the City's current Official Plan and Zoning By-Laws, why would the City even consider amendments which would effectively sidestep the OP and ZBLs, in order to accommodate an application to build an 82' high national temple and other imposing structures adjacent to residential neighbourhoods at the end of a cul-de-sac?	Mark Newton	City of Markham: The City is required to consider and provide recommendations on all development applications submitted. All property owners have rights to submit applications and this right cannot be denied. Applicant: See Response 1, 12, 13, 17, 98, and 144 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	162	Will the City ensure that the requirements of the TRCA are met, in particular those set out in its report dated March 27, 2024, prior to the application being considered further by the City?	Mark Newton	City of Markham: Staff will recommend that any approval be contingent upon the TRCA requirements being addressed to their satisfaction. Applicant: See Response 27 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	163	Will the City ensure that there will be no modifications by the applicant within hazardous lands identified by the TRCA?	Mark Newton	City of Markham: The City will work with the applicant and the conservation authority to ensure that flood mitigation measures are provided. Applicant: See Response 27 and 39 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-05-01	163.5	Will the City ensure that any modifications to parking areas or buildings at 7015 Leslie Street are flood-proofed?	Mark Newton	<p>City of Markham: The City will work with the applicant and the conservation authority to ensure that flood mitigation measures are provided.</p> <p>Applicant: See Response 39 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p>
2024-05-01	164	The Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks has jurisdiction over the protection of the province's air, land, water and species-at-risk and to enforce compliance with environmental laws. Has the City consulted with the Ministry concerning the potential environmental degradation and impact on endangered species and species-at-risk in this application?	Mark Newton	<p>City of Markham: Compliance with the Endangered Species Act is a responsibility of the applicant. The City recommends through the pre-consultation process that all applicants consult with the provincial Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks. Staff is not aware of any technical issues that would be violated by the proposal.</p> <p>Applicant: See Response 71 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p>
2024-05-01	165	Has a Record of Site Condition been filed with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, following an environmental site assessment?	Mark Newton	<p>City of Markham: A Record of Site Condition is required by the City of Markham when land is conveyed to the City.</p> <p>Applicant: Environmental Site Assessments where submitted in support of the applications.</p>
2024-05-01	166	When can we expect to see the City staff report on the TRCA findings? We request the City to make its staff report publicly available.	Mark Newton	<p>Applicant: See Response 25 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p>
2024-05-01	167	What is the rush with this application? There needs to be meaningful consultation with the community and all stakeholders.	Mark Newton	<p>City of Markham: The City has not rushed this project and has continued to process this proposal beyond the legislated timelines - the applicant can appeal the applications to the OLT.</p> <p>Applicant: See Response 26 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p>
2024-05-01	168	Will the Baha'i remove the hotel building from the project?	Mark Newton	<p>Applicant: See Response 5 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p>
2024-05-01	169	Will the Baha'i redesign the temple to limit the height to the average height of homes in the surrounding residential neighbourhoods, and reduce the footprint or square footage of the temple?	Mark Newton	<p>Applicant: See Response 29 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p>
2024-05-01	170	What measures will the Baha'i implement to protect against water damage to homes on Waterloo Court, resulting from the construction of underground parking and the diversion of water away from its site?	Mark Newton	<p>Applicant: See Response 30 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p>
2024-05-01	171	Will all of the buildings and facilities on the Baha'i properties, including 4 Waterloo Court, be exempt from municipal taxes?	Mark Newton	<p>Applicant: See Response 31 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p>
2024-05-01	172	What plans do the Baha'i have for its \$2.9 million purchase of #4 Waterloo Court (originally listed for \$3.99 million)? The purchase of this home by the Baha'i detracts from the community. Will Baha'i apply to have #4 Waterloo Court exempt from property tax as well ?	Mark Newton	<p>Applicant: See Response 32 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p>
2024-05-01	173	Will the site be powered by alternative energy, ie, solar, geothermal, etc.?	Mark Newton	<p>Applicant: See Response 33 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p>

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2024-05-01	174	Will there be bathroom facilities in the temple building? I was advised that there would not be. This poses a hazard for the elderly and disabled, especially during the winter and during inclement weather.	Mark Newton	Applicant: Yes, there will be bathroom facilities for the Temple. See Response 34 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	175	What measures will be taken to avoid the building of new structures and the addition of parking places on hazardous lands on 7290 Leslie Street?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 35 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	176	What will be the duration of the construction, including the raising of Leslie Street and the building of the temple? (The construction of the temple in Santiago lasted 6 years.)	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 36 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	177	Will the Baha'i and the City conduct a study to ensure that the project, with all of the proposed hardscape, will have net zero runoff?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 37 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	178	What development charges will be payable by the Baha'i and will such charges be subject to rebates?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 38 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	179	What plans do the Baha'i have for 7015 Leslie Street in the floodplain, currently the Don Valley Education Centre?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 39 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	180	Will the facility at 7015 Leslie Street be flood-proofed?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 39 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	181	With the raising of Leslie Street by four feet, the parking lot at 7015 Leslie Street will become a bathtub in the event of a flood. What measures will be taken to mitigate this obvious hazard?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 40 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	182	Access to the building at 7015 Leslie Street is currently cut off in the event of storms. What measures will be taken to mitigate this hazard?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 41 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	183	Which parties – the City, York Region, or Baha'i - will be paying for the changes to Leslie Street and in what proportions?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 42 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	184	Will Leslie Street north of Steeles Avenue be built to the standard of an urban road, including curbs, sidewalk, gutters and drainage?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 43 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	185	Will the power lines on Leslie Street north of Steeles Avenue be buried as part of the raising, widening and resurfacing of the road?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 44 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	186	Will the raising of Leslie Street be buttressed by retaining walls on both sides?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 45 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	187	What measures will be taken to prevent run-off from the east side of Leslie Street into the river system?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 46 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	188	Will there be a multi-use pathway along the entire length of Leslie Street north of Steeles Avenue?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 47 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	189	Will traffic-calming measures be implemented on Leslie Street, such as the use of speed humps?	Mark Newton	Applicant: See Response 48 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-05-01	190	<p>According to the Map for this development, Lot 4 is included in this project.</p> <p>This is an area directly backing on a very densely populated residential area, in which, for over 50 years, the residents of the German Mills area, have been enjoying, which includes the solitude of the ravines, the animal life, the walkways, and the lifestyle that living in this environment has provided them.</p> <p>In the planning for this proposed development, will there be any disruption to Lot 4, which would impact the current lifestyle that has been the mainstay of the residents that are living in the area directly backing onto Lot 4?</p>	Sharon Altman-Leamen	Applicant: See Response 10 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant. This property is privately owned by the Bahá'ís.
2024-05-01	191	<p>According to the Map for this development, Lot 4 is included in this project.</p> <p>This is an area directly backing on a very densely populated residential area, in which, for over 50 years, the residents of the German Mills area, have been enjoying, which includes the solitude of the ravines, the animal life, the walkways, and the lifestyle that living in this environment has provided them.</p> <p>Will this Greenspace and Environment remain as is, and has been throughout the existence of the German Mills community and its residents?</p>	Sharon Altman-Leamen	Applicant: This property is privately owned by the Bahá'ís. Removal of several of the tennis courts and valley embankments are proposed to restore the land back to a natural state as well as other environmental restoration efforts. Additionally, improvements to the existing parking lot are proposed. Redevelopment is NOT proposed for this property.
2024-05-01	192	Other places of worship in Markham are located on arterial roads; why is this dead-end street location being allowed for a national religious complex?	Wendy Sun	Applicant: See Response 1 and 4 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	193	To my knowledge, no other religious organizations have hotels; why would this one be permitted?	Wendy Sun	Applicant: See Response 5 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	194	What is the exact number of additional trees to be removed by raising and widening Leslie Street as part of Bahai's revised plan?	Wendy Sun	Applicant: See Response 6 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	195	Has the City done a tree audit on the properties to ensure no trees have been cut beyond permits in the past two years? Can you share with the public the number of trees removed?	Wendy Sun	Applicant: See Response 7 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	196	Do the organizations using the building at 7015 Leslie (Don Valley Education Center) know that it is in the flood zone and not flood-proofed?	Wendy Sun	Applicant: See Response 10 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	197	Are the parents informed that their children are being put in a building in a floodplain?	Wendy Sun	Applicant: See Response 10 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	198	Whose responsibility is it to ensure safety in the building, the City or Bahai?	Wendy Sun	Applicant: See Response 11 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	199	If it is the City's responsibility, what will the City do to protect these children?	Wendy Sun	Applicant: See Response 11 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	200	How are TRCA's concerns documented in their recent report being addressed?	Wendy Sun	Applicant: See Response 27 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-05-01	201	<p>I understand that it is the City's expectation that we submit questions for the May 2 Community Meeting by 5 pm May 1, even though we had asked the questions on the April 9 Thornhill Subcommittee meeting publicly.</p> <p>At the April 9 Thornhill subcommittee meeting, Regional Councillor Jim Jones made a promise that all those questions (100+) would be worked on by the City and the Applicant and they would be all answered. I was appreciative and encouraged when I heard Councillor Jim Jones say that at the end of the meeting. I and a lot of the community members are confident in our elected officials' integrity that they would deliver on their promises. And we are confident that our officials' actions are guided by principles and their duty to the public.</p>	Wendy Sun	Applicant: See "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant and this document responding to the May 2, 2024 questions from the Community Meeting.
2024-05-01	202	<p>Has the City engaged an independent consultant to evaluate the disastrous irreversible impact that the Bahai Monumental project, spread over 6 to 8 years, will have on the flora and fauna in the Greenbelt/Grasslands/Meadows/Trails. What will be the impact of having a very large, illuminated campus with noise pollution in the heart of the Green Belt?</p>	Harry Singh	Applicant: See Response 53 and 75 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	203	<p>Has any member of the Council ever visited any other Bahai Temple Complex in any other part of the world?</p> <p>This question is of critical importance since the Bahai's have being using terms to minimize the magnitude of the project and its impact.</p> <p>(Examples of misrepresentation /terms used: "Lodging" instead of TAX FREE HOTEL; "Meeting Spaces" instead of LARGE EVENT CENTER which can be commercialized without any City regulations and control; " National Temple" instead of MONUMENTAL WORLD CLASS TEMPLE COMPLEX which will perhaps be the greatest tourist attraction in Markham with a huge number of visitors that have been grossly understated.)</p>	Harry Singh	Question for Council.
2024-05-01	204	<p>The proposed lodging accommodates several scores of temporary occupants. Regardless of what the Bahá'í calls it, the lodging is similar to a 100-bed motel. Why does the City even consider allowing transient occupants in a residential neighbourhood?</p>	Peter Cheng	Applicant: See Response 1, 5 and 13 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-05-01	205	<p>How will that many transients affect the quiet enjoyment of the local residents' properties?</p>	Peter Cheng	Applicant: We do not anticipate the users of the National Centre and temple to have an undue impact on the adjacent 7 residential properties on Waterloo Court. See Response 17, 21 and 130 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-05-01	206	<p>How much vehicular and pedestrian traffic will be created those close to 100 transients?</p>	Peter Cheng	Applicant: See Response 16 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.

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2024-05-01	207	Is there a up to date traffic study done with realistic visitors and transient occupants numbers?	Peter Cheng	Applicant: See Response 16 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant. The Traffic Study was recently updated in February 2024.
2024-05-01	208	Is there any consultation with the City of Toronto on the traffic issue? In particular, the study on the intersection at Leslie and Steeles in conjunction with the City of Toronto? If not, why not? The proposed development can only empty traffic onto the streets controlled by the City of Toronto.	Peter Cheng	City of Markham: The City of Toronto has not been circulated as the proposed development is not adjacent to the City's border. The City of Toronto will be consulted at the appropriate time should the reconstruction of Leslie Street proceed and be a commenting agency of the detailed design plan.
2024-05-01	209	Who pays for what for the proposed work on Leslie Street? What is the cost allocation?	Peter Cheng	Applicant: See Response 42 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	210	TRCA has not approved on lot 7290 the additional parking and buildings next to the log cabin. What is the fallback plan contemplated by the developer if it's not approved?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: We are working with TRCA to address outstanding comments and concerns. See Response 35 and 30 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	211	Is one of the solutions to add more underground parking to replace lost parking? How many levels?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: See Response 30 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	212	Your plan is well short of the parking requirements according to the 28-97 By-law of 453 parking spots by providing only 115 spaces On-site. We believe because of the unique makeup of the facility, parking counts used from the other temples to support a significant parking reduction are not indicative of the demand for parking that will be needed. We reason that it's one-of-a-kind and includes banquet facilities next to the temple that will change members' behaviour. None of the other examples in the traffic studies have this unusual makeup, and we believe much more parking will be necessary. Therefore, a significant reduction should not be allowed.	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: See Response 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	213	After reviewing the zoning, please explain to the community how you allow the applicant to use accessories to a temple that includes a large lodging and banquet facility on a different lot. I don't think this meets the criteria for defining an accessory according to any planning doctrine. Furthermore, please provide us with another location in the GTA where this exists so we can understand your reasoning for allowing it here. This looks like a one-of-a-kind facility that does not have the proper zoning to support its overall makeup.	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: See Response 1, 5 and 13 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-05-01	214	How will you protect the community from smells and noise from the loading dock and garbage room near Waterloo Crt. Also, the kitchen exhaust is very close to the street, so we assume we will have many odours. What is your plan to prevent problems?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: See Response 18 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	215	Will the banquet facility be licenced for any events, including weddings? More traffic and community disruption could be the norm. What restrictions will be in place to protect the residents?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: See Response 3, 5, 13 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.

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2024-05-01	216	What is the plan for landscape screening if most of the trees die next to Waterloo Crt?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: Any newly planted trees will be subject to a 2-year warranty and will be replaced if they are dead or in poor condition at the end of the warranty period. Existing trees that fail within two years of construction will be replaced with a similar species using available nursery stock. See Response 17 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	217	How is the facility being heated and cooled? Is it a central system? Or rooftop units? Noise issues could be a problem depending on the equipment installed.	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: This is a detail that hasn't yet been determined and will be finalized during future approvals and permits. A noise impact study will be required during site plan approval to confirm if noise abatement from mechanical impact is necessary.
2024-05-01	218	Please provide a proposed timeline for the construction of each building and the new road on Leslie (a rough estimate is ok). An overall proposed timeline is needed now so the residents can make decisions.	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: See Response 36 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-05-01	219	Why did you remove the underground tunnel between the parking garage and the temple? It mitigated noise in the community by self-contained people.	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: This is still conceptually considered, but removed as it is a site plan detail and feasibility will be determined during detailed design and site plan approval.
2024-05-01	220	Will the development have cranes as part of its construction?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: The temple has not yet been designed and as such, the details related to construction have not yet been determined.
2024-05-01	221	Will the overflow parking be available for community use?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: Yes, it will be a private parking lot that is available to the general public.
2024-05-01	222	Are you using ditches instead of storm drains for the new roads and sidewalks? Please show us a proposed profile of the road and sidewalk.	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: See Response 46 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	223	Is there cost sharing on the new road between Markham and the applicant?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: See Response 42 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	224	Does the current building contain any toxic material that could be released on demolition to the residents?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: A third party inspection and Environmental Building Audit will be prepared prior to construction start. This is used by the design team in order to determine what (if any) abatement requirements are to be included in the construction procedures and specifications. This is a requirement of the demolition permit approval process.
2024-05-01	225	Will the city restrict construction operations because of the proximity to the residents? No weekends or late weekday work.	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: Yes, see Response 123 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	226	There will be a need for a liaison with the residents and whoever builds the facility chaired by the city to prevent issues while under construction. Will the city look into having one?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: Typically during construction there is a notification board on property that provides information about the construction works and who to contact with questions or concerns.
2024-05-01	227	Who will be responsible for any property damage to the residents' homes from the construction of this facility if it should happen?	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: Typically the City requires pre and post construction surveys by the applicant to confirm if any impacts to adjacent properties occur during construction. Insurance and credits are held in the event of unexpected damage.
2024-05-01	228	Will the city give a property tax reduction to the owners of Waterloo Crt for the duration of the construction of the project? This project will significantly reduce our property values and disrupt our lives, so we should be compensated. We will also be unable to sell our houses until the project is completed.	Jeff Minuk	Applicant: Construction and development is a normal and regular occurrence that comes with City living. See Response 31 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	229	The area is recognized as having Archaeological potential. Where is the Archaeological study for this area?	Evelin Ellison	Applicant: Clearance of an Archaeological Assessment will be a requirement of Site Plan Approval.

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2024-05-01	230	Calculation of the CO2 already produced with the actual building and the CO2 that will be produced when demolished and when built again.	Evelin Ellison	Applicant: See Response 83 and 109 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	231	Can you provide more information about the Bahá'í faith and how the community practice their faith and what are their patterns for gathering?	n/a	Applicant: See Response 3 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-05-01	232	How many Bahá'í Holy days are there and will these be held at the Temple? How are they celebrated? What about the 19 Day Feast?	n/a	Applicant: See Response 3 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-05-01	233	How is the Bahá'í building currently used? What will the new National Centre be used for?	n/a	Applicant: See Response 3 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-05-01	234	Why is a hotel and convention centre being permitted/considered? Why does a Temple need a hotel? Will the hotel take away from business? Why is a large temple and more meeting space needed?	n/a	Applicant: See Response 1, 5, and 13, in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-01	235	What is the capacity of the temple? When and how many people will be using the temple on a daily basis?	n/a	Applicant: See Response 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-02	236	What happens to the deer that inhabit the area?	n/a	Applicant: See Response 141 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-02	237	How many other Bahai organizations are located in Toronto? Surrounding vicinity?	n/a	Applicant: See Response 3 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre. The Toronto Bahá'í Centre is located on Bloor Street in Toronto. There are over 35,000 registered members of the Bahá'í Faith in Canada of which approximately 3,000 registered members reside in the GTA. As discussed, local Bahá'í Assemblies are present in most GTA communities.
2024-05-02	238	If they cannot control after dark activities now, with a new national temple more people will come, how are they going to control this? If they don't know how many people are coming, how are they going to plan for traffic?	Ling	Applicant: The after hours activities necessitated the installation of the current gate. This gate has been successful in controlling after hour visitors.
2024-05-02	239	Who paid for the peer review? It is a conflict of interest issue since Don approached her.	Harry Singh	Applicant: The City of Markham retained the Peer Review.
2024-05-02	240	Prior to the meeting, was the peer review shared with the Bahai's?	Harry Singh	Applicant: No, it is our understanding that the Peer Review has not been completed.

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2024-05-02	241	Will Bahai contribute back to the community in any way? Since they are taking privileges the community enjoys today, we would expect the following: a) remove all gates and fences, so we can all share and transparently observe one another b) pay for permanent security around whole area c) share conference facilities for free with the community d) clean-up or pay for maintenance of German Mills Park and the lake-to-lake trail e) invest every year in art and maintenance of German Mills Park	Nick Canciu	Applicant: The proposal already includes significant investments and community benefits. In addition to standard development charges and the cost of environmental restorations efforts above the minimum requirement, the applicant has offered to contribute to the redesign of Leslie Street. Further, the temple, gardens, trails and parking will be open to all members of the public, not just members of the Bahá'í faith.
2024-05-02	242	Will Markham invest in additional public transportation for visitors?	Nick Canciu	Applicant: Higher order, rapid transit is planned for Steeles Avenue in accordance with the Metrolinx 2041 Plan.
2024-05-02	243	Will Markham invest in new parking spots? If so, where will they be located?	Nick Canciu	City of Markham: In the event that a decision is made to revise Leslie Street, the City of Markham will consider opportunities for on-street parking at locations yet to be determined
2024-05-02	244	Will Markham invest in any solution to create more lanes on Steeles Ave. between Yonge St. and Hwy 404?	Nick Canciu	Applicant: Steeles Ave is owned by the City of Toronto and within the City of Toronto jurisdiction.
2024-05-02	245	Projected number of visitors is very high and does not show an intent to organize, throttle, or distribute time slots for visitors. This is unusual for a Canadian business. Is there a plan to allow visits by booking in advance and allocating a time to stay?	Daniela Canciu	Applicant: This is not a business. This is a place of worship. There is not an anticipated need to allocate visits. See Response 3 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-05-02	246	What is the plan to register and record the I.D. of visitors? In particular, for the ones who are staying overnight?	Daniela Canciu	Applicant: This will be the responsibility of the Bahá'í National Centre. Guests that are participating in events, programs or services will have to pre-register with the National Centre for a room.
2024-05-02	247	It has been mentioned the temple is dedicated to Canadian use. What controls are in place to prevent the advertisement of the temple as a tourist destination?	Daniela Canciu	Applicant: See Response 3 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.
2024-05-02	248	What controls are in place for lodging? How will the hotel business be run and taxed?	Daniela Canciu	Applicant: See Response 5 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.
2024-05-02	249	Sharing the lake-to-lake trail raises concerns. Are we aware of any entertainment businesses located on the path?	Daniela Canciu	Applicant: The Lake-to-Lake Trail is a public facility for all members of the public. It is not proposed to be impacted nor developed.
2024-05-02	250	Will the Bahai remove the gates and fences and share their space in lieu of the space taken away from the users of the park?	Daniela Canciu	Applicant: No space is proposed to be taken away or removed from the publicly owned parkland. All development is proposed on privately owned land. See Response 1 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant. Improvements to the public right-of-way along Leslie Street are proposed. The Temple is open to all members of the public. See Response 3 and 15 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant, as well as the May 17, 2024 Letter by Malone Given Parsons sent to the neighbourhood associations regarding the misunderstandings around the Bahá'í Faith and use of the temple and National Centre.

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2024-05-02	251	<p>Regarding the environmental report presented:</p> <p>a) "compensation in the meadow" Applicant: Seems to be re-design of an existing green space, where money has already been spent for years.</p> <p>b) information about vegetation, the birds, and animal habitat is contradictory to findings presented at previous meetings</p> <p>c) report does not include a section about the impact to human life and the lake-to-lake trail.</p>	Daniela Canciu	<p>Applicant:</p> <p>a) Regarding the creation of meadow, see Response 54 and 67 in the "Response to Thornhill Subcommittee Deputations and Questions from April 9, 2024" document by the Applicant.</p> <p>b) We disagree that the information is contradictory. Please clarify which information contradicts.</p> <p>c) No impacts to the Lake-to-Lake Trail are proposed. Impacts to human life are included in the EIS under indirect or induced impacts. Please clarify what impacts to human life are of concern.</p>