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STOUFFVILLE, ON - The housing shortage we face is unfair to people across our community - it prices our next generation out of the market, it makes the dream of homeownership unattainable, and raises the cost of living for everyone.

The solution to this crisis is to build more homes of all kinds. It will take bold action and a clear plan to get the job done.

But today's challenges will not be solved by yesterday's thinking.

From the beginning of this process, Hyson has sought to work with the town in good faith.

From decreasing the number of storeys from 18 to 12, increasing green space, increasing parking, and changing the design of the building to ensure a more heritage-inspired look and feel, we've aimed to work with the town and community to design a building that will leave a lasting positive impact on Stouffville. That's why the town's professional planning staff supported our application.

Today, the local Councillor had the opportunity to approve a building that would have provided much-needed housing relief. It was a fair and measured compromise that would get homes built, while respecting the character of Stouffville's gateway area.

Unfortunately, he moved a motion to do the complete opposite which was adopted.

Hyson will explore every course of action available to it, while unapologetically standing up for the next generation of Canadian homeowners.

While our preference has always been to keep development decisions in the hands of the local Council, it will be up to the local Councillor to explain to taxpayers why his unwillingness to compromise has ensured that is no longer the reality.

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