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The Hon. Brad Hazzard MP Minister for Planning and Infrastructure Governor Macquarie Tower, Level 31, Farrer Place Sydney 2000

Application No: MP09 0066 MOD 6

Location: Thomas Street Car Park Site, Chatswood

SUBMISSION BY OWNER AND RESIDENT OF PROPERTY 2-4 THOMAS STREET CHATSWOOD

Guide Dogs NSW/ACT is the owner of property 2 - 4 Thomas Street, Chatswood and conducts its main source of business from these premises. This business is a Registered Charity and we conduct fundraising activities and client service delivery from this site.

Our clients are vision impaired and many have mobility impairment. Clients regularly visit our premises for the purpose of assessment and consultation.

The proposed further modification application raises serious concerns for the safety and welfare of our clients and staff and we object to the proposal.

- The proposal is on a vastly excessive scale for this site
- We expect the amendments to be placed on public notification and for comments from the public to be sought. The builder is seeking a rapid determination due to their construction timetable and that must not be given precedence over the need for the public and affected neighbours to view and consider the amendments.
- We reserve the right to fully assess the amended plans
- That the amendments improve the proposal in relation to the number of driveways to and from Thomas Street. The traffic generation generally is unacceptable given that the surrounding road network already experiences significant congestion.

As per our previous objection we think it is highly inappropriate to change the dimensions after approval has already been given for this development.

Yours faithfully

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