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Jenny Kluke,
Development Review Planner,
Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development,
City of Ottawa,
110 Laurier Avenue West,
Ottawa, ON, K1P 1J1.
File No: D02-02-19-0122

Dear Ms. Kluke,

The design of the proposed nine-storey rental building at 390 and 394 Bank Street has much to commend it.

It would provide intensification and contribute to the revitalization of Bank Street.

The materials, especially the red brick, reflects the heritage of the neighbourhood.

However, we have a concern. The building's front wall is close to the sidewalk and curb, and goes straight up seven storeys. This creates a "cliff wall" along Bank Street.

Step-backs on the Bank-Street face as the building ascends would allow for air and sunlight, and relieve the "cliff wall" impact.

Further, the impact of such an imposing wall so tight to the sidewalk could be relieved with greenery, for instance, planters along the Bank-Street face.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jack Hanna

Vice-president, Centretown Community Association

c.c. Catherine McKenney