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Mayor and Council,

I am writing in regards to the 450 Gore Avenue development application. I urge mayor, council, staff and review bodies to reconsider several aspects of the application:

- The black and white facade does not reflect Chinatown's heritage characteristics (although outside of Chinatown's official boundaries, it's close proximity to the heritage neighborhood makes the building inseparable from its larger context). The color black is also inauspicious and ill-boding in Chinese culture.
- The 'ying yang' color scheme is patronizing and reductionist of an entire culture.
- The mass of the building design does not fit the fine-grain texture of the neighbourhood.
- The black facade will create an urban heat island effect.

Thank you for your consideration,

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