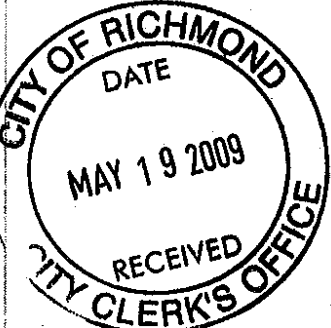


MayorandCouncillors

<p>To Public Hearing Date: <u>JUNE 15, 2009</u> Item # <u>1A,B,C</u> Re: <u>Steveston Village Conservat</u></p>
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From: on behalf of MayorandCouncillors
Subject: FW: Send a Submission Online (response #453)

From: City of Richmond Website [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, 19 May 2009 6:05 PM
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Your Name:	Beth Clinton
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Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	8403,8404,8405
 <p>Comments:</p>	<p>Hello- I've lived in Steveston on and off for 9 years. I have always liked this community and decided to leave Vancouver where I had owned a home. Glad I did! My point is this. There is such a charm to the village. It's one of the the loveliest spots in Richmond. But I'm concerned it's under threat. This is a small neighborhood with a thriving "main street". People come from all over the lower mainland to stroll, shop, dine, and partake of the dyke, park and playground. This is very valuable. That type of area doesn't exist anywhere else in Richmond. It's completly unique and must be treated that way. This area is also a working fishing village and must remain so. Normal people must be able to live and make their incomes here as they have for decades. The whole of the community cannot be over taken by suburban Moms and strollers. I am one of those so I recognize the effect over the past several years of yuppy-fication. The city must protect our little treasure from greedy developers and short sighted land owners. It would be such a shame to lose the very thing that made Steveston so appealing. It's not Kits or Yaletown. It's a small village with a proud history and current dilemma. My other point is the density. There is a shocking number of people and cars here now. Have you noticed how many thousands of people come here to take a walk or a bike ride? It's amazing! More green space is what people everywhere are crying out for. Not more and more condos. More and more of that means more and more cars, traffic, litter etc. You should see how beautiful it looks right now. The boats going past, people strolling. It's a little bit of heaven here, I'm not kidding. I would be so sad to see what's left of our open area go towards more houses/condos. I feel</p>

so strongly that the remaining space must remain just that - space. Not another 4 story giant sitting on the edge of the dyke!!