

Mayor and Councillors

Schedule 55 to the Minutes of the Public Hearing meeting of Richmond City Council held on Monday, May 15, 2017 and Wednesday, May 17, 2017.

From: Webgraphics
Sent: Thursday, 11 May 2017 14:16
To: Mayor and Councillors
Subject: Send a Submission Online (response #1037)

To Public Hearing
Date: MAY 15, 2017
Item # 7
Re: BYLAWS 9706, 9707, 9712 and 9716

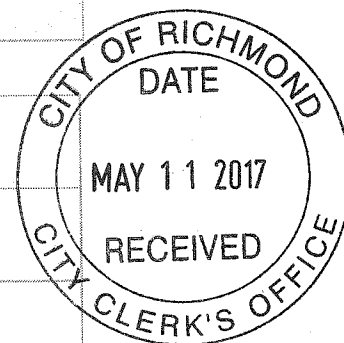
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Survey Response

Your Name	Anders Erickson
Your Address	104 6385 Hawthorn Ln.
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number	9717
Comments	Dear Mayor and Councillors, In response to bylaw 9717 that will allow homes on the ALR that are more than two times the maximum recommended by Ministry of Agriculture guidelines, as set out in the Ministry of Agriculture's Guide for Bylaw Development in Farming Areas, is very short-sighted and contravenes the City of Richmond's unanimously endorsed Food Charter. This will weaken Richmond's agricultural land base and the city's commitment to food security. The bylaw currently under consideration will also be precedent setting in neighbouring communities by weakening B.C.'s ALR land base as it will allow more residential development on agricultural lands. With the alarming increase in climate instability, it is imperative that agricultural lands be kept for farming and not for residential uses. I am writing to ask you to follow Ministry of Agriculture guidelines, as set out in the Guide for Bylaw Development in Farming Areas, and ensure long term food security for Richmond, the Lower Mainland, and British



Columbia. Sincerely, Anders Erickson, PhD.
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