

# **PUBLIC HEARING**

**March 11, 2008**

## **Supplementary CORRESPONDENCE PACKAGE No. 2**

*Includes correspondence received on  
Monday, March 10, 2008:*

- In favour – 35
- In opposition – 48
- General comments – 4

**MayorandCouncillors**

To: March 11, 2008 Public Hearing  
Re: Garden City Lands ALR  
Exclusion Application

**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #237)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 19:36  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #237)

Your Name: Mark Sakai  
Your Address: 11762 Fentiman PI  
Subject Property Address  
OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands

Comments:

The debate on the future of the Garden City Lands has reached a furore unseen since the days of Terra Nova. It is, perhaps, a good sign, that citizens of Richmond feel so strongly about the future of farmland in the City. In my opinion, the City of Richmond has an outstanding opportunity to create a model urban community for the 21st century. One which balances the historical land use of agriculture with the need for smart urban planning for future population growth, which will yield a truly sustainable community. I urge the City to continue on its path to exclude the Garden City Lands from the Agricultural Land Reserve, and to work with Canada Lands and the Musqueam First Nation to arrive at an urban plan which is in the best interests of all the citizens of Richmond, not only those who have a specific agenda. I believe Chief Ernie Campbell when he says that any development by the Musqueam will conform to the City's OCP and development guidelines. I believe that the three-way agreement provides the best opportunity for Richmond to meet all of its goals for the Garden City Lands. I believe that a failure to exclude the lands will not result in a preferred outcome for any of the groups involved, even those favouring an 'agriculture only' option. Richmond has an opportunity to create a true sustainable

community, by incorporating the best of green building technology and design, the allocation of playing fields for future community health, and the inclusion of an urban agriculture element. Please do what is best for all of the citizens of Richmond, including those of us in the 'silent majority'. I urge you to continue the process of master planning for the Garden City Lands, which includes an application to exclude the parcel from the ALR.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #244)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 22:32  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #244)

Your Name:	Jens William Sorenson
Your Address:	#505, 6611 Minoru Blvd, Richmond, B.C. V6Y 1Y9
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands

Attention: Director, City Clerks Office I had hoped to be able to attend the Public Hearing scheduled for March 11, 2008, but my personal circumstances have changed. Therefore, I would like to offer a few thoughts for consideration of those who will be required to make a decision on the future of the Garden City Lands. First of all let me say that I support the idea of protecting certain lands in the Province of British Columbia for food production now and in the long term future. Having said this I feel the approach we have taken, with the Agriculture Land Reserve, has created a lot of injustice and hardship for the owners of property in the ALR. If our society decides certain lands need to be held as farmland for the common good, then society as a whole should find a way to compensate the owners of these lands for the fact they are being singled out to meet a perceived need. At some point in time they should be, and should have been compensated for the fact their property is/was being designated farmland in perpetuity. The covenant would then be recorded on title so future owners would be aware of this limited use for the property. In the case of the Garden City Lands, which may or may not have some value as farmlands, common sense would seem to say this is a fairly large parcel of land in the



Comments:

core of a growing city, and decisions made today relative to the development and use of this land will be final and therefore require a visionary approach comparable to the decision the Vancouver City Fathers made many years ago to retain the property and develop Stanley Park. I think the City of Richmond is playing with fire if it thinks it can dictate to the Canada Lands Company (Federal Government) and the Musqueam Indian Band the future of these lands. This a high risk poker game that I don't think the citizens of Richmond want their elected representatives playing because of some ideological position they are trying to promote. We are fortunate in some ways that we have been included in the agreement which has been negotiate in good faith. These lands could have been part of the outstanding land claims settlement process, in which case the Musqueam could receive title to the whole parcel and control future use going forward. An honourable agreement has been reached between the parties concerned, now we should turn our attention to how the City of Richmond approaches future uses on the land they will receive if the land is removed from the ALR and the agreement is finalized. I personally think the City portion of these lands should be designated park and dedicated as such. City planners should then set out to plan for a significant park for the City core, which will provide future residents a place to get away from the concrete jungle which is developing in the City core. These are the thoughts of a poor suffering Taxpayer. Regards, Bill Sorenson

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #231)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 15:50  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #231)

Your Name: Eugene McDonald  
Your Address: 10210 Hollymount Drive  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: GardenCity Lands

Comments: I am submitting my vote and support to have the Garden City Lands be developed according to the partnership agreement reached, following the March 2005 litigation with the City of Richmond, the Musqueam Indian band and Canada Lands Company. This development will be a historic event that can be a model for other First Nations bands in Canada and in other countries. This opportunity is not a choice but a responsibility to our future generations to assist in a sustainable and co-existent way of life. Eugene

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #229)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 14:49  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #229)

Your Name:	Bernadette Chong
Your Address:	9540 MCCutcheon Place, V7A 5A6
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	9540 McCutcheon Place, V7A 5A6
Comments:	The Garden City Lands agreement is a great idea. Please try to remove the land from the Agricultural Land Reserve as soon as possible. Thanks.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #228)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 13:48  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #228)

Your Name:	Joy Ratnarajah
Your Address:	6580 Chelmsford Street, Richmond, BC V7C 4H9
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Gardencity Lands

Comments:	i feel that the city should remove the Gardencity Lands from ALR and develop the public lands to have community gardens, parks and other public amenities and also possibly a trade & convention centre. On the development lands to have affordable housing for families and seniors but not high density highrise housing . I also believe that there should be linkage to transit systems. If we don't have the lands removed from ALR, we are going to lose these valuable lands which the City of Richmond has been working towards for so long. So let's get on with it and resolve this. We want this land to be developed for the good of the people of Richmond. We have to come to some compromise.
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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #222)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 10:27  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #222)

Your Name:	Eddie Chan
Your Address:	124-5700 Arcadia Road, Richmond, BC v6X 2G9
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	5555 No 4 Road
Comments:	hi, I am agree to endorse the "Block Application" to exclude the properties known as the "Garden City Lands" from the Agricultural Lands Reserve. And I want the lands an be develop ASAP. Eddie Chan 604-889-8018

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #220)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 23:25  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #220)

Your Name:	Sam Ng
Your Address:	7-7280 Blundell Rd Richmond BC
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Land
Comments:	Support the developments

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #219)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 23:25  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #219)

Your Name:	Vanessa Ng
Your Address:	7-7280 Blundell Rd Richmond BC
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Land
Comments:	Support the developments

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #218)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 23:23  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #218)

Your Name:	Esabella Ng
Your Address:	7-7280 Blundell Rd Richmond BC
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Land
Comments:	Fully support development



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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #217)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 23:19  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #217)

Your Name:	A. Ng
Your Address:	7-7280 Blundell Rd Richmond BC
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Land
Comments:	Fully support the Development

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #214)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 18:47  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #214)

Your Name: Wai Tong Lee

Your Address: 6060 Pearkes Drive Richmond B.C. V7C  
5R1 Canada

Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: The Garden City Lands

Comments:

I am in support of the City's application to have the subject " Lands " removed from the Agriculture Land Reserve. The piece of land in question is at the heart of Richmond's commercial area and it would be a big waste to leave it vacant. It is also not appropriate to use it for agricultural purpose in the centre of the city. While supporting the City's initiative, I have some thoughts on the usage of the Lands. On public lands : 1. The idea of a Trade and Exhibition Centre is an excellent one. We can further expand it to become the centre landmark of Richmond like the Time Square of New York or the Trafalgar Square of London. 2. Ample open space should be included in any development plan. As the population of Richmond is growing quite quickly, we need to allow enough green space and we can plan the development of this project to function as the " lung " of Richmond. On development lands: 1. Clear guidelines should be worked out to limit the height of buildings may they be commercial or residential. This is important if we are having a vision as mentioned above under public lands' usage. 2. Architectural guidelines should be developed to ensure a harmonised layout and design between public lands and development lands.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #210)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 14:04  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #210)

Your Name: Francis Lai  
Your Address: 19-6099 Alder St. Richmond V6Y 0A8  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: 19-6099 Alder St. Richmond V6Y 0A8

Comments: I agree that the 'Garden City Lands' should be removed from ALR. so that the City of Richmond and Musqueam Indian Band have more control to the use of the land. Canada Native Indians for hundreds of years have been, in many cases, letting local people develop their land. And now some people, after having their comfortable houses built and lived in them, interfere and ignore the need of those who also need homes, senior cenior centers, daycare centers, youth exercise room, abused women centers, libraries. community centers, culture centers, etc. Stanley Park and many other big parks in USA already are permanently homes to hundred and thousands of homeless people and families. They are hiding in the parks, so far no governement can remove them. Canada is a free country. People, who live and may already own homes and beautiful houses or not in Richmond, cannot stop other people moving into Richmand. Richmond City must provide places for people who need the above facilities so that they feel comfortable to make contribution to the city and do not fall through the crack and become burdens to the governemt.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #211)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 14:20  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #211)

Your Name:	Michael Lai
Your Address:	19-6099 Alder St. Richmond V6Y 0A8
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	19-6099 Alder St. Richmond V6Y 0A8
Comments:	I agree that the 'Garden City Lands' should be removed from ALR. so that the City of Richmond has more control to the use of the land. All developed cities have to accomodate their citizen. Even Whistler has to use containers to house people working there. Vancouver has a huge Stanley Park but also thousands of homeless. The priority is to help people who need places to live like homes, commuity centers, daycare.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #209)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 14:02  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #209)

Your Name: Yiu Helen  
Your Address: 19-6099 Alder St. Richmond V6Y 0A8  
Subject Property Address  
OR Bylaw Number: 19-6099 Alder St. Richmond V6Y 0A8  
Comments: I support City of Richmond to exclude the  
'Garden City Lands' from ALR. Richmond  
City should have total control the use of  
the land.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #208)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 13:56  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #208)

Your Name: Lai Francis  
Your Address: 19-6099 Alder St. Richmond V6Y 0A8  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: 19-6099 Alder St. Richmond V6Y 0A8

Comments: I agree that the 'Garden City Lands' should be removed from CLC. so that the City of Richmond and Musqueam Indian Band have more control to the use of the land. Canada Native Indians for hundreds of years have been, in many cases, letting local people develop their land. And now some people, after having their comfortable houses built and lived in them, interfere and ignore the need of those who also need homes, senior centers, daycare centers, youth exercise room, abused women centers, libraries. community centers, cultural centers, etc. Stanley Park and many other big parks in USA already are permanently homes to hundred and thousands of homeless people and families. They are hiding in the parks, so far no government can remove them. Canada is a free country. People, who live and may already own homes and beautiful houses or not in Richmond, cannot stop other people moving into Richmond. Richmond City must provide places for people who need the above facilities so that they feel comfortable to make contribution to the city and do not fall through the crack and become burdens to the government.

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**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #207)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 13:49  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #207)

Your Name:	Lai
Your Address:	19-6099 Alder St. Richmond V6Y 0A8
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	19-6099 Alder St. Richmond V6Y 0A8

Comments:

I agree that the 'Garden City Lands' should be removed from CLC. so that the City of Richmond and Musqueam Indian Band have more control to the use of the land. Canada Native Indians for hundreds of years have been, in many cases, letting local people develop their land. And now some people, after having their comfortable houses built and lived in them, interfere and ignore the need of those who also need homes, senior cenior centers, daycare centers, youth exercise room, abused women centers, libraries. community centers, culture centers, etc. Stanley Park and many other big parks in USA already are permanently homes to hundred and thousands of homeless people and families. They are hiding in the parks, so far no governement can remove them. Canada is a free country. People, who live and may already own homes and beautiful houses or not in Richmond, cannot stop other people moving into Richmand. Richmond City must provide places for people who need the above facilities so that they feel comfortable to make contribution to the city and do not fall through the crack and become burdens to the governemt.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #196)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 08:17  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #196)

Your Name:	Michaela Porter
Your Address:	10355 Sandiford Drive
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands

Comments:

I have had an opportunity to read the information that came to our doorstep last week explaining what the land could be used for. I would like the land to be used entirely for sports, agricultural use and leisure opportunities. In other words, no residential developments. The core of Richmond is becoming very dense. As it stands, there are not enough areas and facilities for our youth to explore healthy means of living. Providing healthy opportunities for exercise, gathering places and growing "food" (such as community gardens) would benefit the entire Richmond community. Our youth is our future! Your consideration is very much appreciated. Thank you.



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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #195)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Friday, 7 March 2008 21:00  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #195)

Your Name:	Anny Wong
Your Address:	17-6245 Sheridan Road, Richmond, Bc, V7e4w5
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	17-6245 Sheridan Road, Richmond, Bc, V7E4W5
Comments:	Garden City Lands should contain more affordabble housing for low income families and senior .

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By Fax: 604. 278.5139

Attention: City Clerk

### Re: The Future of Garden City Lands

I, MERRIL(MEL) GOODWIN support the Garden City Lands development partners  
(Name)  
application to the Agricultural Land Commission to have the Garden City Lands removed  
from the Agricultural Land Reserve in order to proceed with their vision for the land  
including:

- Public amenities
- Green space
- Parkland
- Playing fields
- Urban agriculture
- Social Housing
- A new downtown community with mixed-use residential development for families of all ages and income levels on development lands

Thank you,

M. J. Goodwin  
(Signature)

MARCH 07/08  
(Date)

11051 KINGFISHER DR.  
(Address)

RICHMOND  
(City)

V7E 4P8  
(Postal Code)

To: March 11, 2008 Public Hearing  
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By Fax: 604. 278.5139

Attention: City Clerk

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I, BARBARA GOODWIN (Name) support the Garden City Lands development partners application to the Agricultural Land Commission to have the Garden City Lands removed from the Agricultural Land Reserve in order to proceed with their vision for the land including:

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Thank you,

Barbara Goodwin  
(Signature)

March 7/08  
(Date)

11051 KIDDERISHER DR  
(Address)

RICHMOND BC  
(City)

V7E-4P8  
(Postal Code)

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By Fax: 604.278.5139

Attention: City Clerk

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I, FLORENCE GORDON  
(Name) support the Garden City Lands development partners application to the Agricultural Land Commission to have the Garden City Lands removed from the Agricultural Land Reserve in order to proceed with their vision for the land including:

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Thank you,

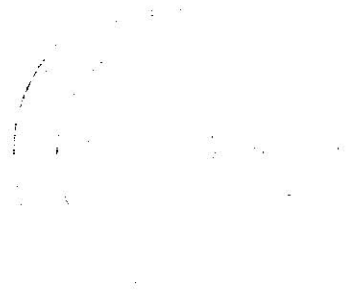
Florence Gordon  
(Signature)

March 7, 2008  
(Date)

61-8111 Saunders Road  
(Address)

Richmond, B.C.  
(City)

V7A 4L9  
(Postal Code)



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By Fax: 604. 278.5139

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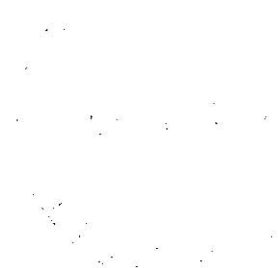
*James Gordon*  
(Signature)

March 9/08  
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Richmond BC  
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By Fax: 604. 278.5139

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I, Robin Hills : support the Garden City Lands development partners  
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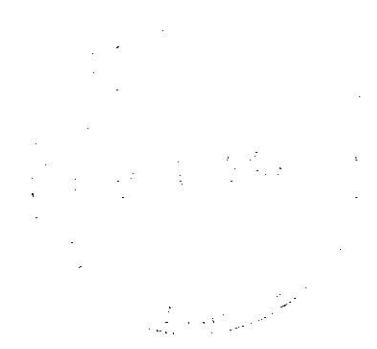
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Thank you,

[Signature]  
(Signature)

Mar. 7 08  
(Date)

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By Fax: 604.278.5139

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Thank you,

P. Geoff Plant  
(Signature)

10 March 2008  
(Date)

4433 West 5th Ave  
(Address)

VANCOUVER  
(City)

V6R 1S4  
(Postal Code)

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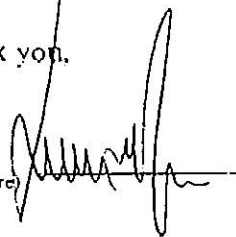
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I thank you.

(Signature)



(Date)

10/3/08

(Address)

7580 Lambert Rd

(City)

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Exclusion Application

By Fax: 604.278.5139


Attention: City Clerk

### Re: The Future of Garden City Lands

I, Wingar Tsang support the Garden City Lands development partners  
(Name)  
application to the Agricultural Land Commission to have the Garden City Lands removed  
from the Agricultural Land Reserve in order to proceed with their vision for the land  
including:

- Public amenities
- Green space
- Parkland
- Playing fields
- Urban agriculture
- Social Housing
- A new downtown community with mixed-use residential development for families of all ages and income levels on development lands

Thank you,

  
(Signature)

Mar 08, 08  
(Date)

7-3880 Westminster Hwy  
(Address)

Richmond BC  
(City)

V7C 5S1  
(Postal Code)

To: March 11, 2008 Public Hearing  
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### Re: The Future of Garden City Lands

I, Tom support the Garden City Lands development partners  
(Name)  
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Thank you.

Tom  
(Signature)

Mar. 7, 2008  
(Date)

8675 No. 2 Rd  
(Address)

Richmond B.C.  
(City)

V7C 3M5  
(Postal Code)

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By Fax: 604.278.5139

Attention: City Clerk

### Re: The Future of Garden City Lands

I, ANDERSEN LAW support the Garden City Lands development partners  
(Name)

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Thank you.

Andersen Law  
(Signature)

Mar 8.08  
(Date)

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(Address)

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(City)

V7C 3M3  
(Postal Code)

To: March 11, 2008 Public Hearing  
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By Fax: 604.278.5139

Attention: City Clerk

### Re: The Future of Garden City Lands

I, Anita Ko (Name) support the Garden City Lands development partners application to the Agricultural Land Commission to have the Garden City Lands removed from the Agricultural Land Reserve in order to proceed with their vision for the land including:

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Thank you,

Anita Ko  
(Signature)

Mar 7/08  
(Date)

8420 Delaware Rd  
(Address)  
Rind, BC  
(City)  
V7C 3J5  
(Postal Code)

By Fax: 604.278.5139

Attention: City Clerk

### Re: The Future of Garden City Lands

I, SYLVIA YIK support the Garden City Lands development partners  
(Name)  
application to the Agricultural Land Commission to have the Garden City Lands removed  
from the Agricultural Land Reserve in order to proceed with their vision for the land

including:

- ✓ Public amenities
- ✓ Green space
- ✓ Parkland
- ✓ Playing fields
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Thank you

(Signature)



March 07, 2008

(Date)

16-7171 STEVENSON HWY

(Address)

RICHMOND, BC

(City)

V7A 5K4

(Postal Code)

By Fax: 604. 278.5139


Attention: City Clerk

### Re: The Future of Garden City Lands

I, Chesley Mak (Name) support the Garden City Lands development partners application to the Agricultural Land Commission to have the Garden City Lands removed from the Agricultural Land Reserve in order to proceed with their vision for the land including:

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- Green space
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- Urban agriculture
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Thank you,

  
(Signature)

March 7, 08  
(Date)

2-3640 No. 5 Road  
(Address)

Richmond  
(City)

V6X 2T7  
(Postal Code)

By Fax: 604. 278.5139

Attention: City Clerk

### Re: The Future of Garden City Lands

I, DANNY LAY support the Garden City Lands development partners  
(Name) application to the Agricultural Land Commission to have the Garden City Lands removed from the Agricultural Land Reserve in order to proceed with their vision for the land including:

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Thank you.

[Signature]  
(Signature)

7 MARCH/08  
(Date)

#18-5840 DOVER CR.  
(Address)

RICHMOND  
(City)

V7C 5P4  
(Postal Code)



By Fax: 604. 278.5139

Attention: City Clerk

### Re: The Future of Garden City Lands

I. HOP HUNT / 501  
(Name) support the Garden City Lands development partners application to the Agricultural Land Commission to have the Garden City Lands removed from the Agricultural Land Reserve in order to proceed with their vision for the land including:

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Thank you,

[Signature]  
(Signature)

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(Date)

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(Address)

Richmond  
(City)

V6Y 1J5  
(Postal Code)

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #256)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 11:53  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #256)

Your Name: David & Gloria Fairweather  
Your Address: 328 - 12931 Railway Ave  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: "Garden City Lands"

Comments:

Gloria and I missed the Open Houses on the Garden City Lands Public Input, but have brought up Ted Townsend's report and have read various opinions and views expressed recently in the Richmond Review, particularly those of Chief Ernie Campbell and Greg Halsey-Brandt. WE BOTH SUPPORT THE "BLOCK APPLICATION" of the City of Richmond to exclude properties known as the "Garden City Lands" from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). It seems evident to us that unless such a move is made to proceed now, it will be decades over which this land will sit idle, at a time when the City Centre Area Plan clearly projects the need for such land to accommodate this increasing population nearby. As we see it there are many acres of more suitable land existing in Richmond which are not being actively cultivated today. Sincerely, David & Gloria Fairweather

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #250)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 08:46  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #250)

Your Name:	Pantelis Karaplis
Your Address:	6260 Skaha Crescent, Richmond V7C 2R2
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands
Comments:	I OPPOSE the application to exclude the Garden City Lands from the ALR.



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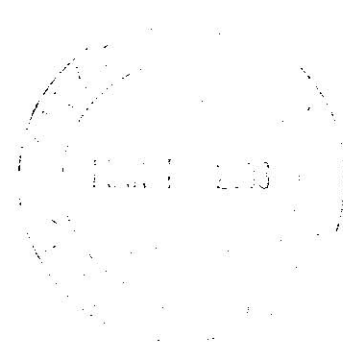
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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #249)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 07:50  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #249)

Your Name:	Tina Cohoon
Your Address:	3906 Georgia Street
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands
Comments:	I firmly believe this area should NOT be developed and it should be left in the land reserve.



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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #248)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 00:02  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #248)

Your Name:	Andrea Mechler
Your Address:	10231 Bird Road, Richmond BC, V6X 1N4, 604-232-4511
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands, 5555 No. 4 Road
Comments:	<p>I OPPOSE the application to exclude the Garden City Lands from the ALR. The Garden City Lands are prime agricultural lands. They can be farmed on a small scale. I am very much in support of using them for community garden lots, especially as they are ideal organic lots that have not been contaminated. Such land is hard to come by. The lands are publicly owned and cost nothing to keep as open space. I appreciate the beautiful mountain view every time I drive near that block. I feel that there is already too much density near the city centre. The lands might be used for active federal purposes in the future. Leaving the lands in the ALR is the best way to protect them from future development. I do not feel that the deal the city got in the memorandum of understanding is a good one. I feel that the city's share is small, scattered, and will only provide "free" green space for developers to make their projects look more attractive to buyers. Higher density would also require the building of new schools in that neighbourhood, thus adding extra expenses for the city. As a citizen I urge the members of council to respect their constituents' wishes and would like to respectfully ask council to refrain from applying for an exclusion of the Garden City Lands from the ALR. Thank you.</p>

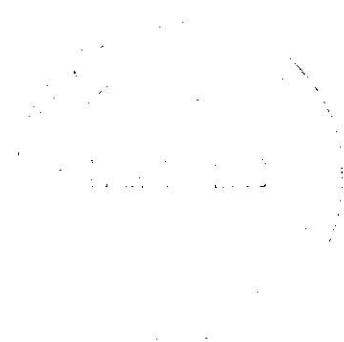
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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #247)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 23:16  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #247)

Your Name:	Alberto Bonifacio
Your Address:	30-10200 4th Avenue, Richmond, BC V7E 1V3
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	135 Acres Garden City Lands
Comments:	I OPPOSE the application to exclude the Garden City Lands from the ALR.



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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #246)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 23:15  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #246)

Your Name:	Nenita Bonifacio
Your Address:	30-10200 4th Avenue, Richmond, BC V7E 1V3
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	135 Acres Garden City Lands
Comments:	I OPPOSE the application to exclude the Garden City Lands from the ALR.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #243)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 21:48  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #243)

Your Name: Laurie McEwan  
Your Address: 17271 Westminster Hwy  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands 5555 No. 4 Road

Comments: Mayor and Council: I oppose removing the Garden City Lands from the Agricultural Land Reserve. I believe the area should be for growing food. I also like the Richmond Poverty Response plan or keep it open green space. We need to be supporting our farmers and protecting our farmland.  
Thank you Laurie McEwan



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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #241)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 21:36  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #241)

Your Name: Tamara Dixon  
Your Address: Suite 109 - 5488 Arcadia Road, Richmond BC V6X 2G9  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: 5488 Arcadia - Regency Villa - Strata Plan NW3058-Lot 71

Comments: As a resident across from the ALC lands I am AGAINST removing these lands from ALC. The traffic congestion to OAK and KNIGHT street bridges during rush hour are already congested since the increased density of building. Working people need to get out of this bedroom community to work in Vancouver, Burnaby etc. All routes around this ALC are critical for working people of Richmond. The majority of primary income earners for Richmond people leave town for professional employment. All proposals so far increase the density of our children's environment, remove green space and provide only more low wage employment (tourism and retail). The only ones who benefit are a small number of "rich" developers and business people. LEAVE US GREEN SPACE AND UNCONGESTED traffic routes to the city. MANY CHILDREN LIVE HERE and would not even be safe using a MEGA recreational complex. Stop the greed!

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #240)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 21:04  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #240)

Your Name: Sharon Johnson  
Your Address: 8311 Cantley Rd. Richmond, V7C 3R8  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands

Comments: Dear Council Members, I oppose the application to exclude the Garden City Lands from the ALR. It is important to keep the farm land for future use as there will come a time when it will be needed. We must protect the future. Sincerely, Sharon Johnson

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #239)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 20:51  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #239)

Your Name: George M. Corbett  
Your Address: 9600 Alexandra Rd.  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: 5555 No. 4 Rd.

Comments:

In a city whose green space is rapidly disappearing, this is a unique opportunity to preserve something. For ourselves, our city, our children, and our atmosphere. Richmond has been blessed with perhaps the finest agricultural land in this country. The topsoil layer on our road (that will soon be under pre-load and fast under development) is several feet thick. It should be criminal to cover earth like this with non-permeable surfaces. Let us re-zone this area partially as agricultural, and plant native species on the remainder to promote biodiversity and give what wildlife remains in this part of the city a place to flourish. Does not Richmond have her fair share of development? Is the paving of this little square of land really necessary? I have lived in Richmond since I was three years old, and I have seen the city gradually but inexorably increase in density and extent. Every house my family moved out of has been paved and subdivided. Where there was one house, there are now two, without exception. In every case, whatever trees were growing on the lot were cut down. And in every case, the quality of the soil, in my view an irreplaceable asset, has been squandered and destroyed first by preloading, then by erosion during the building process. How is one to feel except disenfranchised? Richmond's motto is or was, "Island City, by

Nature." Let us be true to that motto. Much of the green space in the western part of the city has been developed. Witness the fields on Sea Island that are now home to BCIT's glittering glass and steel Aerospace campus. Let us charter a more biologically sensitive course for our city, and leave a legacy for those living in the area of the Garden City Lands richer than another faceless development. During my time living in the area of the land in question, I have seen a host of animal species: barn owls, rabbits, coyotes, muskrat, ducks, and a variety of other bird species. In addition to land animals, the health of the delta we live on is integral to the health of the river that created it. Surely it is worth limiting development at the mouth of one of the largest salmon producing rivers on the continent. A demonstration organic farm, a bird sanctuary, an annex of the Richmond Nature Park, simply a city park; the possibilities are rich and diverse, and they are ours to explore. The Garden City Lands provide a unique opportunity to conserve, and I believe it is our civic responsibility to do so. Please contact me at [george.corbett@gmail.com](mailto:george.corbett@gmail.com).

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**From:** De Whalen [de\_whalen@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 8:37 PM  
**To:** craigj@richmondchamber.ca; barbarat@richmondchamber.ca  
**Cc:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Garden City Land and RCC opinion

March 9, 2008

Greetings Craig Jones:

I am emailing today to register my disagreement with the Richmond Chamber of Commerce (RCC) being labelled a "proponent" of the City's position on the Garden City Lands, as represented by President Barbara Tinson.

The Richmond Women's Resource Centre is a member organization of the RCC. We have never been approached for our view of the disposition of the Garden City Lands, which is located in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). Ms. Tinson is out of order in attempting to represent the RCC as unanimously in favour of the City's application to remove the land from the Agricultural Land Reserve.

Ms. Tinson has been quoted as saying the RCC is in favour of the City's position. Most recently, in the Richmond Review on March 8th she states, "We are convinced that the (agreement) provides the most certain outcome and will serve the people of Richmond the best."

As an advocate for women in Richmond who live in poverty, we at the Richmond Women's Centre believe that growing food where we live is key to ensuring low income families in our community get proper nutrition. In addition, we do not need more high-cost housing on the Garden City Lands that will only serve to raise the cost of housing for ordinary people.

The people in Richmond need more green space and more room to grow food. We do not need our remaining ALR covered over with concrete. The Garden City Lands should be kept green for future generations.

Sincerely,

De Whalen  
President  
Richmond Women's Resource Centre  
#110-7000 Minoru Blvd.  
Richmond V6Y 3Z5

W 604.279.7060  
C 604.230.3158

cc. Barbara Tinson, RCC president  
cc. Mayor and Council

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #238)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 20:06  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #238)

Your Name: CJ Peake  
Your Address: 9600 Alexandra Road  
Subject Property Address  
OR Bylaw Number: 5555 No. 4 Rd (Garden City Land)

Comments:

I am a new resident to Alexandra Rd and a life long resident of Richmond. I feel privileged to live in what seems to be the last few square kms. of green lands left in this concrete jungle that is now Richmond. Developing on this land will further exterminate any of the natural wild life that is left in Richmond. I have Family's of all sort of animals in my back yard on a daily basis, and would hate to be a part of running them out of land that is rightfully their home. PLEASE PLEASE DON'T DEVELOP THIS LAND!!! We love our neighborhood the way it is!! Thanks alot  
Cheers CJ Peake peakecj@gmail.com

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #236)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 17:32  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #236)

Your Name:	Marilyn Peters
Your Address:	5500 Woodpecker Drive
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	5555 No. 4 Road (Garden City Lands)
Comments:	I oppose removing the Garden City Lands, 5555 No. 4 Road, from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). I believe more green space is needed in Richmond – not less. Please keep this area open, to enrich the living space for all of Richmond residents to enjoy. Do not be in such a rush to develop every inch of space. Leaving this land in the ALR is the best way to protect this land- a significant piece of open space within the city.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #235)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 17:15  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #235)

Your Name: Rappard Janine  
Your Address: 226-8520 General Currie Rd - Richmond  
V6Y 1M2  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands

Comments: My experience with City Hall Council is that once they have made up their minds, public opinion will have little effect. Perhaps I am wrong ! My point of view is that the Garden City Lands should remain an open space either as a park or in its natural state or for agricultural use. We certainly could use the latter. We don't need more high rises (they are growing like mushrooms in this city) or other bulding construction of any kind (such as a Convention Center), certainly not on that land. If the Musqueam want to take the city to Court, let them do it. It is time we had land of our own and not always bowing to threats.



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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #234)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 16:32  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #234)

Your Name: Eleanor Magdalenich, John Magdalenich

Your Address: 8451 Laidmore Road, Richmond, BC V7C 2B4

Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands, 5555 No. 4 Road, Richmond, BC

Comments: We am writing to express our dismay at the Richmond City Council's plan to remove the Garden City Lands from the Agriculture Land Reserve. We have been residents of Richmond for over 30 years and the changes that are taking place in Richmond now are moving us toward disaster. With the high population growth and covering all the land with apartments we will soon not be able to move around our own city. The Garden City Lands must be preserved for the future to be used in a sustainable way for agricultural purposes not more high rises and concrete buildings.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #233)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 16:04  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #233)

Your Name:	May Chang
Your Address:	6239 Tiffany Blvd. Richmond, BC V7C 4Z1
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands - Agricultural Land Reserve Exclusion Application
Comments:	Although I do not live in this district, I do not endorse the Block Application to the Agricultural Land Commission to exclude the Garden City Lands from Agricultural Land Reserve. Please permanently keep this land as Agricultural Land Reserve. Thanks!!!

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #232)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 15:58  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #232)

Your Name:	Olivia Yen
Your Address:	9 - 6099 Alder Street, Richmond, BC V6Y0A8
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Carden City Lands - Agricultural Reserve Exclusions Application
Comments:	Amendment to my previous submission due to misunderstanding: I DO NOT endorse the City to exclude the "Garden City Lands" from the Agricultural Land Reserve. I would like the City to keep the "Garden City Lands as Agricultural Land Reserve.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #230)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 14:52  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #230)

Your Name: Helen Hama  
Your Address: 210 - 7600 Moffatt Road  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands, 5555 #4 Road  
Comments: I OPPOSE the application to exclude the Garden City Lands from the ALR. We do not need any more high-density development in Richmond.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #227)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 13:31  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #227)

Your Name:	Sophie Comyn
Your Address:	12471 Brunswick Place, Richmond.
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	5555 No. 4 Road: Garden City Lands - ALR Exclusion Application.
Comments:	<p>I am writing to express my desire for the Garden City lands to remain part of the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). I believe that these lands are part of an excellent legacy with tremendous foresight to protect them from potential development. I do not think that there is any validity in the arguments against its use as farm land. In addition, I feel that there are many ways to farm this land in non-traditional ways that would negate the potential clashes between a dense city centre population and active farming. I am also of the opinion that the population density of Richmond and its accompanying development is too much too fast. The very nature of the city has been changed as is evident to long time residents like myself. With the development along the RAV corridor and the future Oval site the potential for more housing in the Garden City Lands is just too much. I hope that those with the final say will be open minded to all sides of the argument and make an intelligent decision based on all the facts.</p>

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #226)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 13:26  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #226)

Your Name: Anne and Jack Leaney  
Your Address: #79 - 10220 Dunoon Dr.  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands

Comments: We oppose the development of the Garden City Lands for the following reasons. Agricultura land should be kept for the people of Richmond and their use and not for big speculators . There is the possibility of as many as 13000 people being housed in this area if it is developed which will contribute to more pollution from hundreds of extra cars on the road. We support urban agricultural proposals. We are depending far too much on food being trucked in from thousands of miles away. This also has a large effect on global warming but it will also become so expensive most people will not be able to afford a healthy diet. We are long time residents of Richmond (51 years) and find it becoming a more unliveable place. It is time to make a moral decision for the future, to have some vision for the future and say "NO" to any development on any existing agricultural land Anne and Jack Leaney

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #225)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 12:43  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #225)

Your Name:	Margaret Comyn
Your Address:	12471 Brunswick Place, Richmond.
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	5555 No. 4 Road. Garden City Lands. ALR Exclusion Application.
Comments:	I do not support the Garden City Lands being taken out of the Agricultural Land reserve. Richmond is developing at a rapid rate; higher density in the downtown core, in the Steveston area and the projected development around the skating oval. Once we start taking land from the ALR it sets a precedent to do the same in the future. To keep Richmond a livable sustainable city we need to retain our agricultural land not develop it.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #224)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 12:25  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #224)

Your Name:	Lesley Wint
Your Address:	5238 Brunswick Dr, Richmond
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Application to the ALC to Remove 135 acres from the ALR
Comments:	I have been a Richmond resident since 1979. I am concerned at the apparently haphazard development of multi family dwellings and high rise buildings taking place in Richmond without the infrastructure to support increased population. If the future of the Garden City Lands is high rise condominiums I do not want to see the lands come out of the ALR. Richmond desperately needs green space. I do not support the application for removal of the lands from the ALR without a proposed plan for the lands that is approved the citizens of Richmond. What is the rush to do this before the next civic election. Let councillors run in the next election on their visions for this land and see who gets in. Respectfully submitted.



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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #223)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 11:20  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #223)

Your Name: LYNDA SLACK  
Your Address: 6851 MAYFLOWER DRIVE  
Subject Property Address  
OR Bylaw Number: RICHMOND V7C 2K1

Comments: Living in Richmond all my life, and having enjoyed Stanley Park in Vancouver and recently visited New York City and experienced the beauty of Central Park in a sea of skyscrapers, I think it would be a wonderful legacy for our City, as it continues to grow and develop, to have an 'oasis' of green - no development at all. Make the park a place for all residents to enjoy, reflect, relax. Trees, water, walking/biking paths, playing fields. Hopefully with the cooperation of the Musquem. It's the perfect sight for a Richmond Central Park.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #221)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 00:33  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #221)

Your Name: Annie McKitrick  
Your Address: 4205 Buckingham Place, Victoria BC  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands

Comments: please do the right thing for Richmond and its future as a that will remain liveable for future generations, keep th Garden City lands for urban agriculture and as green space. Since living Richmond two years ago, I am appalled every time I go back at how much more congested, developed and ugly the city is becoming. By accepting the proposals to keep the Garden City lands for agriculture, you are not only preserving green space but also ensuring that food is grown locally, that people living in crowed high rises in your new development behind the Oval will have the possibility of having a community garden. I did not want to leave Richmond - however I must admit that Victoria is a much better city for having kept its urban agricultural sites. All over Canada food security is gaining prominence as an issue, Richmond has the opportunity for showing leadership by agreeing to keep the Garden City land from redevelopment. For once please show leadership that is not tied to development. Annie McKitrick

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #216)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 21:20  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #216)

Your Name:	Penny Charlebois
Your Address:	10911 Hogarth Drive
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands
Comments:	I am in favor of keeping the Garden City Lands in the ALR.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #215)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 20:36  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #215)

Your Name:	Penny Allport
Your Address:	13-11291 7th Avenue, Richmond, BC V7E 4J3
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands
Comments:	<p>What a great opportunity the City of Richmond has to set a precedent and make a statement for all neighboring cities and communities. How? By allowing the Garden City Lands to be turned into a Community Garden Initiative. Call in the Farmers, the elderly, the young and everyone in between. Teach people how to grow their own food in their own backyards. Encourage community by drawing people together and educating them about the most basic need on the planet as humans - to feed ourselves. Contribute to beauty, community, sustainability and life. Surely the Musquem Indian Band. If you want to speak GROUNDBREAKING, this is how. Leave the land in the Agricultural Land reserve so that it is used for what it was meant to. Leave a legacy worth leaving. Thank you for your conscious consideration of the future generations when you consider these lands!</p>

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #213)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 18:41  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #213)

Your Name: norberto pellicci  
Your Address: 4620 Steveston hwy, Richmond V7E 2K3  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Exclusion of Garden City lands from ALR

Comments:

To whom it may concern: i understand that an application has been made to exclude the Garden City lands from the ALR. i wish to make known my strong opposition to the application in question. Currently, the world is experiencing greater and greater shortages of food at an alarming and increasing rate and food prices are rising and have risen tremendously in the last year alone. The UN currently estimates that stockpiles of grain in the world are at their lowest since 1948 and as recently as two weeks ago, they estimated that there is only a 10-day reserve for grain left on the entire planet. There are many complex factors which have led to this, including the conversion of significant areas of farmland from the growth of food items for human consumption to that of ethanol production for automobiles, which feeds no one. As a society, and in particular, here in Richmond, we as citizens and residents should be aware that a great part of our security lies in the security of our foodstuffs. By allowing arable land to be covered over for the use of building yet more residences and businesses in an already over-crowded Richmond central area, we are not only adding to more and unwanted congestion, but we are also permanently removing a vital resource to our food security exactly at a time that we may be facing food shortages in the near

term. i strongly urge you to consider well any action which will harm the residents of Richmond by those that are short-sighted and have profit as their most important motivation. The welfare of all should be given absolute priority over the profits of a very small group of profit-motivated individuals. Thank you for your time.  
Sincerely, norberto pellicci

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #212)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 18:17  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #212)

Your Name:	bob garnett
Your Address:	4555 britannia dr.
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	garden city lands (55 hectares)
Comments:	It is silly to develop a small tract of land under the flight path and surrounded by residential and commercial development. There are plenty of more practical ALR lands to use than this piece. Develop it in accordance with the current plans.

To: March 11, 2008 Public Hearing  
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6611 Gainsborough Drive  
Richmond BC V7E 3Z2

March 11, 2008

Re: Public Hearing regarding Garden City Lands ALR status

I wish to voice my strong opposition to the proposed removal of the Garden City Lands (GCL) from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). The GCL provide one of the few truly open and natural settings in the middle of an ever-growing city. We need more open space, not less. The GCL should be kept within the ALR and used for any permissible uses under that designation: for example, an urban agriculture education centre as proposed by Kwantlen, parkland, sports fields, or just plain open space.

With the international concern over global warming, it is inconceivable that removal of this land in the middle of the city already short on green space can be a good idea. It is only good for those who will profit from the high rises that will go up.

The City has tried to claim, through this deal they have worked out, that we will get this large tract of land for city use. But this just cannot be the case, since the MOU stipulates that the city land will not be contiguous. We the citizens do not want to pay for the greenery that goes in and around the high-rise complexes. It is unconscionable that the City continues to portray the City's proposed portion as one large area. It is misleading.

I don't believe the citizens to date have had a fair opportunity to learn about the Garden City Lands. Early this year the City did a phone survey of a number of residents to get their input on the proposed development. I myself was called for the survey, and was surprised when they never asked the question if I was in favour of removal of the lands from the ALR. Instead the questions were geared towards asking the participants what sort of development they would want. I had to eventually opt out of the survey, since I could not voice my concern over removal of the lands. Hence the survey ended up being skewed in favour of those who were either not familiar with the whole issue, or who wanted the lands removed from the ALR for development. Those of us who knew what was at stake and who did not agree with commercial development of the lands did not have a voice.

This biased public polling was continued with the Open House on the GLC development. As pointed out in the Richmond News of March 4 of this year, the questions were heavily slanted in favour of development.

Surely the removal of such a large tract of land from the city deserves a full and unbiased survey among the residents. As someone who graduated in mathematics and statistics, I can categorically say that the survey conducted by the city of Richmond would not stand up statistically. But the results did show, even with the built-in bias, that residents have



not been fooled, and that they are overwhelmingly NOT in favour of developing these lands.

Those of us who want to retain the lands in the ALR are motivated not by profit, but by concern for the environment, livability, and food security which is surely what life on this planet is all about in the long run. I would ask the ALC to listen to the voices of the citizens of Richmond first and foremost.

*B. Huisman*

BARBARA HUISMAN

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #206)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 13:45  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #206)

Your Name: Foster and Peggy Richardson  
Your Address: 3 - 31450 Spur Ave., Abbotsford, BC  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands

Comments: We are in opposition of the exclusion of the Garden City lands from the ALR because Richmond is already a concrete jungle. How much more development does one municipality need? Our green spaces should be protected for the air that we all breath as well as to protect our Food Security should that be needed in the future.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #205)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 13:24  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #205)

Your Name: Bonnie Eliot  
Your Address: 8151 Fairbrook Cr, Richmond BC  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands

Comments: This land is zoned ALR for a reason. Please do not remove these lands from the ALR. We need drainage in Richmond; we need a natural carbon sink in Richmond as well, to handle all the emissions from cars. We do NOT need more development in this area, it is already extremely dense. Also it is under a flight path to YVR which is not conducive to urban development. Our water needs are already climbing higher due to highrise development and population growth. I thought the planners were keeping growth to what we have, and not straining the water and sewage (also energy) systems more than is already needed. Thank you for representing my strong views on keeping the Garden City Lands in the ALR.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #204)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 12:57  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #204)

Your Name:	Jane O'Gorman
Your Address:	#116 - 7295 Moffatt Road
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands
Comments:	I OPPOSE the application to exclude the Garden City Lands from the ALR.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors

**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #203)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 12:52  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #203)

Your Name:	Marlene Morris
Your Address:	4764 Duncliffe Road, Richmond BC V7E 3N1
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands
Comments:	My husband Harvey and I appose the Garden City Lands being taken out of the ALR. We do not have enough land to grow food now and even less in the coming years. I believe the citizens of Richmond should be intitled to vote on this important issue that we effect us for generations! Regards, Marlene Morris

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #202)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 12:17  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #202)

Your Name: Rebecca Dunsmuir  
Your Address: 3072 Grant st, Vancouver, BC  
Subject Property Address  
OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands

Comments: I OPPOSE the application to exclude the Garden City Lands from the ALR. This land is extremely valuable as green space and as a potential area for farming, learning, and enjoying a green city. As agricultural land, this space can do so much more good. If you remove it from the ALR, it will just become another city block. As agricultural land, the Garden City Lands represents Richmond's dedication to its farmers, its citizens that enjoy green space and its young citizens that want to learn about nature and about farming. It would also stand as a monument to Richmond's commitment to the environment, and become part of the city's image. With the Garden City Lands in the ALR you have the chance to do something unique. Don't shy away from this just for another regular city block.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #201)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 12:03  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #201)

Your Name: Ted Huisman  
Your Address: 6611 Gainsborough Drive  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: 5555 No. 4 Road

Comments: May 8, 2008 To: Richmond City Council  
From: Ted Huisman 6611 Gainsborough Drive Richmond BC V7E 3 Z2 Re: Public Hearing March 11, regarding Garden City Lands ALR status This letter is to state my opposition to the removal of the Garden City Lands from the Agricultural Land Reserve. I do not support the application by Richmond City Council to have these lands removed from the ALR, nor do I support the Memorandum of Understanding that Richmond City Council has with the Musqueam First Nations to develop the lands. I do support those members of Council who have stated their opposition to the MOU, and the removal of the GCL from the ALR. This land should be kept in the ALR and used for those purposes allowed under this classification. Possible uses of the GCL are an urban agriculture education centre as proposed by Kwantlen College, urban garden plots, a park with a pond (similar to Garry Point), in other words Green, non-polluting space. I envision the use of this land for the enjoyment of all, not for the profit of a few.  
Sincerely, Ted Huisman

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #200)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 11:27  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #200)

Your Name: A. Martin  
Your Address: 8851 Foster Road  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands

Comments:

Dear City Council members and Mayor of Richmond, In reading your brochure of your vision for the Garden City Lands development it strikes me mostly strongly that in the area allotted for green space, it includes "public amenities and a potential Trade and Exhibition Centre". I feel that all of the Garden City Lands should be kept as green space in some capacity. Once we pave it, take it out of the ALR, and build on it, it no longer serves all of the residents of Richmond. We cannot get this green space back. This is an opportunity to make Richmond a bit more livable. In recent years, I have, as a long time resident of Richmond (49 years) noticed a reduction in the things that make Richmond a wonderful place to live. In the few places that are left, the use of the open spaces are crowded and showing signs of over use. With progress, there must be a tempering of livability. Keep it green, keep it open and allow people to experience what it is that makes Richmond a great place to live. Generations from now, a decision to keep green spaces will be deemed as far-sighted and progressive. The decision to build will be seen as money-grabbing and limited. We have no area to call our own such as Central Park in Burnaby, Queen's Park in New Westminster and Stanley Park in Vancouver. We are a rich community, we



can afford to invest in green space. Please  
help to make Richmond livable.  
Respectfully, Ann Martin

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #199)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 10:59  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #199)

Your Name:	Brian Lam
Your Address:	12-6100 Tiffany Blvd
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands
Comments:	<p>I support keeping the lands within the ALR and integrate the lands for agriculture and park/trail use. Let the ALR full fill it's purpose. The arguements of global food trotting are well known, so I won't add to the compilation of evidence as argued by the 100 mile diet, food security, etc ... Rather, I'll speak to the Garden City Lands as an international community attraction. Although used for different purposes, Central Park in New York City and Stanley Park in Vancouver are examples of how green space can serve a community for generations. Central Park and Stanley Park are known internationally and serve as key attractors to the city of New York and Vancouver. This is evidenced by their use in popular media (movies, novels, etc). Richmond has the ability to do the same here with the Garden City Lands. If the lands are converted into residential/commercial lots, then Richmond's opportunity to position the lands in the same manner as NY and Vancouver is lost. A developed lands would be no different then the developments of Terra Nova, Ironwood, Hamilton, etc ... they would provide much needed housing, however, they would neighborhoods, known to locals. They would not be international known. Use the lands for agriculture, green space, trails and parks. It has far more tangible benefits</p>

locally and internationally.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #198)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 10:35  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #198)

Your Name: (Mrs.) Betty Christensen

Your Address: 10620 Aragon Road

Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: Garden City Lands

Comments: Do not remove the Garden City Lands from the ALR. We need more self-sustaining food sources in Richmond, more agricultural land, NOT more high-density living. Sincerely, (Mrs.) Betty Christensen

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #197)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 09:07  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #197)

Your Name: Richard Mathias  
Your Address: 6280 Doulton Ave  
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number: ALR removal

Comments:

I wish to add my voice to those opposing the removal of the Garden City lands from the ALR. It is ironic that these are known as the garden city lands as the city seems bent on doing the opposite. We have several driving ranges built on ALR land indicating that the use of these lands for recreational activities that do not require building (although the driving ranges have covered land) is very possible within the ALR. The skating oval can and should be reconfigured as the field house. The Garden City land could then be a mixture of gardens, playing fields and horticultural activities within the ALR. What will not be present are the fees that you expect to get from developing this land, money that you have in large part committed to an unnecessary facility on River Road. Nevertheless, the development of community based facilities as outlined will not require multimillion dollar construction but in the main only acquisition costs. I request that you do not support the removal of this land from the ALR, that you bring forward a plan that will have this land available for all while the land remains in the ALR and that you respond to the needs of the Garden City by the Sea in the fashion the community desires as exemplified by your successful efforts with the Terra Nova lands.

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**From:** DR DON BURGESS [dondoc@shaw.ca]  
**Sent:** Sunday, 9 March 2008 3:09 PM  
**To:** "[www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/hearings/about.htm](http://www.richmond.ca/cityhall/council/hearings/about.htm)"  
**Subject:** GARDEN CITY LANDS.

I am writing to express my concerns about the proposed application to take the Garden City Lands out of Agricultural reserves.

I am a family doctor in this City

My first concern is overdevelopment in this City. The City of Richmond already is strained in its ability to provide adequate services to its citizens.

Health Care is a particular concern of mine. The city hospital at this time requires another 100 beds to give adequate care to its present number of citizens, and this without the explosive population growth that the city plans for. It is foolhardy to go ahead with such expansions when it will result in a crisis of health care over the next decade. The City should act first with other areas of Government to ensure that there will be adequate health care facilities built and available for our citizens, before expanding our population. The City cannot fob off deficiencies as the concern of other areas of government, if it wants to give quality living to our present and future population.

My second concern is the way that the City says that it will develop the area. It talks about a trade and convention center. How much of this area that the City gets will be devoted to that, and where is the finance coming from? Will it be another Olympic Oval slid through the backdoor, and in the end most of the land used for this. We need more details on this.. The publicity talks about the great greenspace this will give to our already crowded city, but how much will we end up with!!.

My third concern is the way that the site will be developed. This City has a 30% poverty level and there is no major proposals that I can see to address housing for the poorer people, I would endorse the removal of the lands if it would provide affordable housing to the needy, and not speculative gains to the developers. Richmond has much need of a social conscience. The City Council relies far too much on voluntary efforts to fill the gaps in our social fabric.

Respectfully submitted

Donald J Burgess.

#127 12931 Railway Avenue  
Richmond BC V7E 6M5

2008-03-10

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Dr. Dean Smith  
6851 Camsell Cr.  
Richmond, B.C. V7C 2M9

9 March 2008

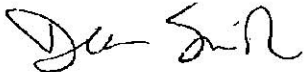
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6911 No.3 Rd.,  
Richmond, B.C. V6Y 2C1

FAX: 604 278-5139

Attention: Director, City Clerk's Office

I strongly oppose the withdrawal of the Garden City Lands from the ALR. It is imperative that we have lands for agriculture to ensure food security for us and for generations to come. Consistent with the original intent of the ALR, regardless of the community value land removal from the ALR might have, no land should be removed from the ALR.

Yours truly,



Dean G. Smith.

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Dr. Dean Smith  
6851 Camsell Cr.  
Richmond, B.C. V7C 2M9

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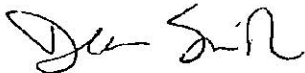
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Dean G. Smith.



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Susan Tanco  
6851 Camsell Cr.  
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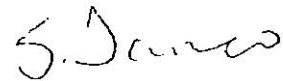
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Dr. Sheryl Tanco  
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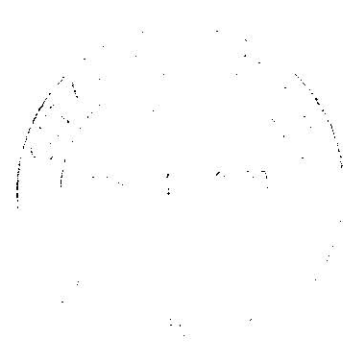
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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #257)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 11:54  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #257)

Your Name:	karen mcdonald
Your Address:	24 7111 lynnwood dr
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	136-acre Garden City Lands
Comments:	I OPPOSE the application to exclude the Garden City Lands from the ALR." The lands are publicly owned and cost nothing to keep as open space



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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #255)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 11:36  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #255)

Your Name:	Luc Collette
Your Address:	8371 Osgoode dr V7A 4M3
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	8371 Osgoode dr V7A 4M3
Comments:	Please consider me as a resounding NOOO.....to remove the garden city land from the ALR. Agricultural land is already in short supply ( even if it is not being farmed at the moment) it will prove to be a jewel in the future. I understand the the temptation and pressure that Council is under but vision and leadership is crucial here. Again NO to removing it from the ALR.

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #254)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 11:09  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #254)

Your Name:	Elaine Yee
Your Address:	123 main street
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	123432
Comments:	<p>Regarding the Garden City Lands....  Richmond DOES NOT NEED ANY MORE  HIGHRISE BUILDINGS!! Look at the  disaster between Minouru and Gilbert  north of Westminster Hwy. I am just  amazed that something like this could  happen. Was it a contest to see how many  people we can fit into one city block!? It's a  shame and I don't want to hear any  promises on how the Garden City lands  would be developed, with open spaces and  parks etc. etc.... I would like to see it left  exactly as is! I vote that the land is NOT  removed from the ALR and that it is NOT  developed! Let Richmond breathe a little!  We've had enough development!!!  Regards. E.Yee</p>

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #253)

**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 10:52  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #253)

Your Name:	Romina Puno
Your Address:	407-8871 Lansdowne Road, Richmond BC V6X 3X8
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden City Lands, 5555 No. 4 Road
Comments:	<p>I am against removing the Garden City Lands from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). I have been a resident of Richmond for 10 years, and have noticed that the area I've been living in has been slowly surrounded by concrete. The Garden City Lands are one of the few open spaces left, and I think it would keep our city balanced to keep it green instead of having more residential/commercial developments.</p> <p>Also, as a Kwantlen student spending most of my time in the 3rd floor design studio, the Garden City Lands are a source of inspiration for us future designers – when we look out the window we occasionally see rainbows and the wildlife that live on the lands. It also helps us relax and cope with the stresses of project deadlines. It is also one of the few places you can enjoy a wonderful sunrise in Richmond without driving far from the centre. When fog develops over the lands overnight, the sunrise reflects off it like water. My classmates and I love taking photos of the lands. I'm sure my neighbors love watching this view as well – this is definitely a plus to living in the area. I feel that the Garden City Lands would be better used as a community garden or sustainable food systems park. Please keep the Garden City Lands in the ALR.</p>

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**From:** on behalf of MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** FW: Send a Submission Online (response #252)

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**From:** Webgraphics [mailto:webgraphics@richmond.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 10:35  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** Send a Submission Online (response #252)

Your Name:	Liz Li
Your Address:	206#-8120 Colonial Dr. V7C 4V2
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	Garden city Lands
Comments:	I oppose the application to exclude the Garden city lands from the ALR

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**From:** 4underdog [4underdog@dccnet.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 6:27 AM  
**To:** val.roddick.mla@leg.bc.ca; guy.gentner.mla@leg.bc.ca; mayor-council@corp.delta.bc.ca; mayorea; MayorandCouncillors; ljackson@corp.delta.bc.ca; vhhuntington@corp.delta.bc.ca; ghawksworth@corp.delta.bc.ca; shamilton@corp.delta.bc.ca; kengelland@corp.delta.bc.ca; rcampbell@corp.delta.bc.ca; jkanakos@corp.delta.bc.ca; PAT.BELL.MLA@LEG.BC.CA; barry.penner.mla@leg.bc.ca; 'Minister, ENV ENV:EX'; george.abbott.mla@leg.bc.ca; gordon.campbell.mla@leg.bc.ca; prem@gov.bc.ca; harper.s@parl.gc.ca; pm@pm.gc.ca; 'Cummins, John - M.P.'  
**Cc:** ape.info@dccnet.com; NDP@LEG.BC.CA; B.C. Liberal Party; SHIRLEY.BOND.MLA@LEG.BC.CA; rich.coleman.mla@leg.bc.ca; mike.dejong.mla@leg.bc.ca; adrian.dix.mla@leg.bc.ca; kevin.falcon.mla@leg.bc.ca; MINISTER.TRANSPORTATION@GOV.BC.CA; colin.hansen.mla@leg.bc.ca; CAROLE.JAMES.MLA@LEG.BC.CA; maurine.karagianis.mla@leg.bc.ca; wally.oppal.mla@leg.bc.ca; bruce.ralston.mla@leg.bc.ca; 'Taylor.MLA, Carole LASS:EX'; diane.thorne.mla@leg.bc.ca; RICK.THORPE.MLA@LEG.BC.CA  
**Subject:** FW: ALR Under Threat: Garden City Lands  
**Attachments:** \_AVG certification\_.txt

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**From:** Donna Passmore [mailto:donna8@telus.net]  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 09, 2008 12:10 PM  
**To:** donna8@telus.net  
**Subject:** ALR Under Threat: Garden City Lands

This poll, by Richmond's other paper, is reporting very different results than the one last week...  
Donna Passmore

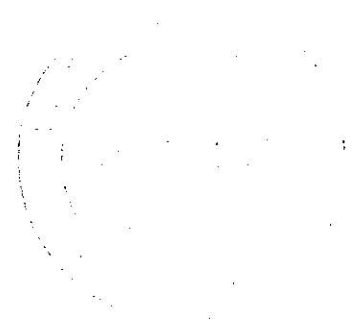
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Subject: Please vote!

Hi Everyone,

Here is an online poll from the Richmond Review. Please take a moment to cast your vote.

Question of the Week:  
Should the Garden City lands be taken out of the Agricultural Land Reserve for uses other than farming?

[http://www.bclocalnews.com/richmond\\_southdelta/richmondreview/opinion/question\\_of\\_th](http://www.bclocalnews.com/richmond_southdelta/richmondreview/opinion/question_of_th)



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**From:** Craig Marshall [bogdog@shaw.ca]  
**Sent:** Saturday, 8 March 2008 10:22 PM  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Subject:** GCL.....high stakes poker

The battle for the GC lands is a high stakes poker game.

Players at the table are the Federal Government, the Agricultural Land Commission, the City of Richmond and the Musqueam.

The deck seems stacked in favour of developing because the Musqueam hold the wild card.

Get the Musqueam out of the game.

Divert the Musqueam claim to another part of Richmond, eliminating the wild card.

Here is how.

Get the Feds to swap the Musqueams GCL claim with land on Sea island, across the river from the reserve.

Have the Feds/Province/Vancouver/ Richmond and UBC build a new river toll crossing.

Allow the Musqueam to profit from the tolls; providing them long term income.

The new crossing alleviates traffic issues on the Arthur Laing bridge, Granville & 70th and Marine Drive to UBC.

Everybody wins something with this hand.

By diverting the Musqueam claim away from the GCL, you eliminate the wild card from the stacked, pro-development deck, leaving only three players at the table: the Feds, the City and Agricultural Land Commission.

The chance of fair game gets a whole lot better.

Kind regards,  
Craig Marshall  
[bogdog@shaw.ca](mailto:bogdog@shaw.ca)

2008-03-10

**Weber, David**

To: March 11, 2008 Public Hearing  
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**From:** Jim Reynolds [jreynolds@ratcliff.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 12:03 PM  
**To:** Weber, David; Achiam, Cecilia  
**Cc:** 'Jim Reynolds'; 'Band Manager'; 'dleung@musqueam.bc.ca'  
**Subject:** RE: Summary of Ownership and Jurisdiction Issues

**Attachments:** Summary of Ownership and Jurisdiction Over Garden City Lands.pdf



Summary of  
Ownership and Juris.

March 10, 2008

Cecilia/David,  
I attach a Summary of Ownership and Jurisdiction issues relating to the Garden City Lands for the Mayor and Council and would greatly appreciate your circulating it to them prior to the public hearing tomorrow.

Regards,  
Jim

**SUMMARY OF OWNERSHIP AND JURISDICTION OVER  
GARDEN CITY LANDS DEPENDING ON WHETHER  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (“MOU”) AND  
PURCHASE AGREEMENT (“PA”) ARE IMPLEMENTED**

	<b>If MOU/PA Are Implemented</b>		<b>If MOU/PA Are NOT Implemented</b>	
	<u>Ownership</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Ownership</u>	<u>Jurisdiction</u>
COR	Yes <sup>1</sup>	Yes <sup>2</sup>	No <sup>3</sup>	? <sup>4</sup>
Musqueam	Yes <sup>5</sup>	No <sup>6</sup>	Yes <sup>7</sup>	? <sup>8</sup>
CLC	Yes <sup>9</sup>	No	Yes <sup>10</sup>	No

<sup>1</sup> By MOU/PA, all 3 parties have agreed that COR will have an entitlement to an interest in the Lands if certain conditions (including removal of Lands from the ALR) are satisfied.

<sup>2</sup> By MOU/PA, all 3 parties have agreed that COR’s land use control by-laws will apply.

<sup>3</sup> COR has no legal entitlement to any interest in the Lands outside of the MOU/PA – see Memoranda from Lang Michener, the solicitors to COR, dated Nov. 22, 2007 and Feb. 22, 2008.

<sup>4</sup> There is a serious legal question whether either the Province or COR will have jurisdiction over the Lands in the absence of the agreement to accept COR jurisdiction contained in the MOU/PA. If Musqueam is successful in establishing Aboriginal title to the Lands, this may result in federal/first nation and not provincial/municipal jurisdiction applying – see *Tsihqot’in Nation v BC*, 2007 BCSC 1700 and Supreme Court of Canada cases relied upon in that case by Mr. Justice Vickers. Also, if Musqueam is successful in obtaining Indian reserve status for the Lands under the *Indian Act*, provincial and municipal laws will not apply to regulate use of the Lands – *Constitution Act 1867* section 91(24); *Surrey v. Peace Arch Enterprises Ltd* (1970), 74 W.W.R. 380 (BCCA).

<sup>5</sup> Musqueam and CLC have existing legal entitlement to equal shares in the Lands with CLC holding the Lands as trustee for each of them as to a 50% interest. Musqueam has also asserted Aboriginal title to the Lands.

<sup>6</sup> See note # 2.

<sup>7</sup> See note # 5.

<sup>8</sup> See note # 4.

<sup>9</sup> See note # 5.

<sup>10</sup> See note # 5.

Prepared by: Jim Reynolds, General Counsel, Musqueam Indian Band

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**From:** Sherlock, Lesley  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 11:00 AM  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors  
**Cc:** Crowe, Terry; Achiam, Cecilia  
**Subject:** FW: Garden City Lands  
**Attachments:** Garden City Lands Presentation to Council - March 11, 2008.doc

Forwarding on behalf of Carol Smith...

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**From:** Carol Smith [mailto:cdsmith\_forsythe@shaw.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 March 2008 11:01  
**To:** Sherlock, Lesley  
**Subject:** Garden City Lands



Hi! Lesley and thanks so much for passing this along.

Carol

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March 11, 2008

Garden City Lands

Questions to be presented to Council

Carol D. Smith

Member of the Richmond Seniors' Advisory Committee

March 11, 2008

- 1- Should it be determined that the Garden City Lands remain in the ALR, what would become of the existing "Partnership" between the City of Richmond; the Musqueam First Nation and the Canada Lands Company?
- 2- If the lands remain in the ALR, would the "Partnership" be dissolved and would the lands revert back to the Federal Government, and would the whole process of negotiations start again?
- 3- In the event that the lands are removed from the ALR, would the portion allotted to the City of Richmond (approx.68 acres) be contained as **One Parcel of Land**, and not broken up into several smaller parcels in order to scatter *small parks* throughout the site, which would only serve the park space needs of the residents of the high-rise apartments/townhouses that are to be created by the Musqueam housing development, thereby gaining very little, if any park space for the overall residents of Richmond, but having to be paid for by them?
- 4- Has the City of Richmond given any consideration to the prospect of obtaining these lands, to be developed into a park such as Central Park in Burnaby, which could be used by all the people of B.C. ? Perhaps the City should be looking at forming a partnership with the Federal and Provincial Governments to research such a possibility and thus, would put Richmond on par with other cities, such as Burnaby. To be named "**The Olympic Legacy Park**"

Respectfully submitted

Carol D. Smith  
Richmond Senior's Advisory Committee  
Member

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