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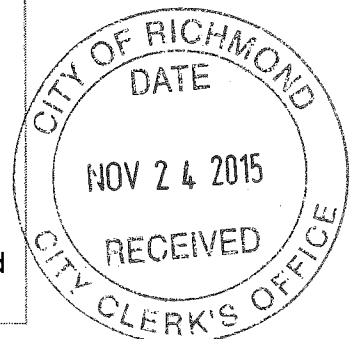
Survey Response

Your Name	Eric Tung
Your Address	5820 Goldeneye Place, Richmond, BC, V7E 3V8
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number	5820 Goldeneye Place, Richmond, BC, V7E 3V8
Comments	<p>[Please note that when previewing my comments, the paragraph breaks do not show up, even if I use more than one paragraph break. So I've indicated a blank line by using _____. My apologies for this.] Dear Richmond Council, _____ In considering the early termination of Land Use Contracts (LUCs), I ask that council members consider the negative impacts of such a change to longtime Richmond residents, in addition to new residents. _____ I've lived the majority of my life in Richmond, having attended elementary school at Monoah Steves Elementary and Diefenbaker Elementary, followed by Hugh Boyd Junior High and Steveston High. Richmond has always been my home, and for a number of years after graduating, I've lived in a condominium right by Lansdowne Mall. _____ My wife and I finally purchased our home this spring, as our dream has always been to have a detached house to call our own. To achieve this in today's</p>

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prices, we sacrificed by saving money wherever we could and taking few vacations. I also took on more than one job, being an instructor at both UBC and SFU, and also running my own business as a change management and communications consultant. Working long hours is worth it though, as we want to stay and live in Richmond, to go to the Salmon Festival annually, to contribute to businesses in Steveston and other neighbourhoods, and to marvel at the changes and growth to the downtown core. _____ In purchasing our home (Zoning Map – Area 6), the plan has always been to tackle the mortgage first, and then in 2021 or later, build a dream house, ~~one that~~ we can grow in and stay for life. With the proposed early termination of LUCs, this would mean that we can no longer achieve our dream, as we do not have the funds to build immediately, and we would like to enjoy living in our original home first. _____ Although some residents have built “mega homes,” not all residents are looking to build to the maximum allowable standards set by the LUCs. Instead of punishing all LUC owners for the select actions of others, could the municipality introduce amendments, such as what was done earlier in the fall to reduce the height of all new homes to nine metres? _____ For my family, we wish to stay in Richmond, spend time with our neighbours, be active participants in the community, and build our dream house in the years to come. Not terminating the LUCs early would enable us to do all this, in this city we call home. _____ Thank you for your consideration. _____ Sincerely, Eric Tung 604 715 0579