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**Schedule 21 to the Minutes of
the Council Meeting for
Public Hearings held on
Monday, July 16, 2012.**

June 14, 2012

City Clerk – Attn.: David Brownlee
City of Richmond
6911 No. 3 Road
Richmond, B.C. V6Y 2C1

Dear Mr. Brownlee,

Re: File no. RZ 11-591685 Polygon Carrera Homes Ltd
application for 6251 Minoru Blvd.

I am writing as an owner and resident at 6080 Minoru Boulevard to articulate my serious concerns of the above application. My concerns, which I believe are widely shared by other residents in the building, have to do with the harmful environmental and social impacts that the application for rezoning is likely to bring. The land situated on 6251 Minoru, adjacent to Minoru Park, has always been used as a low-rise, low-density area. The request to rezone this parcel of land for high-density high-rise development to house five residential towers will produce several serious consequences injurious to the neighbourhood.

First, Minoru Boulevard is already a very busy artillery street with lots of traffic. To add 600 residential units to 6251 Minoru will increase the traffic of the street and in particular, the block between Westminster and Granville. There will be many more pedestrians crossing Minoru Boulevard, and it will no doubt slow down the traffic. With increasing stop-and-go of cars on Minoru Boulevard, there will be a rise in the volume of exhaust air in the block between Westminster and Granville. Residents most affected are those residing in 6080 and 6088 Minoru Boulevard, who will be constantly exposed to a higher level of unclean exhaust air as a result.

Second, the parcel on 6251 Boulevard is directly adjacent to Minoru Park. The existing low-rise buildings allow a smooth airflow from the west and northwest of Richmond to regularly clear the polluted air of Richmond downtown core. The rapid development of high rise residential buildings around Richmond Centre in recent years has resulted in the three sides of Richmond Centre, east, north and south, being surrounded by an increasing number of high-rise towers. To allow the west side to erect five towers as proposed by Polygon would completely block the natural wind and air from the west, and in time, would create a valley of dead air stationery in the down core of Richmond along No. 3 Road.

Third, Minoru Park is a pride of the City of Richmond. Its habitat is friendly to birds and small animals, and the Park is a pleasure for many residents in the neighbourhood. In the morning and evening, flocks of birds can be seen flying across the Park and from

the Park towards 6080 Minoru. The construction of five overshadowing towers so near the Park would affect the habitat of birds and would invade the air space in which the birds have been able to fly freely. A high density population next to the Park may also bring further intrusion to the habitat.

In sum, the application to rezone 6251 Minoru may make commercial sense and increase the tax revenue for the City of Richmond. But it will come with a heavy cost to the neighbourhood, the downtown core, and the environment. I am not against redevelopment in Richmond, but such an action should be conducted orderly taking into account the long term interests of the community and its residents. Thus, I urge you to reject the application as it stands, and maintain the historical character of 6251 Minoru as a parcel for low-rise and low-density development.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of stylized initials 'PL' followed by a horizontal line.

Peter Li

cc. Daniel Ji, Residence Manager
for distribution to Strata Council
of Tower B, 6080 Minoru