Schedule 38 to the Minutes of the Public Hearing meeting of Richmond City Council held on Monday, April 16, 2018.

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MayorandCouncillors

Importance:

From: Sent:	Brian Snellings <brian_snellings@telus.net> Sunday, 15 April 2018 16:52</brian_snellings@telus.net>	
То:	MayorandCouncillors	
Subject:	FW: re: Anthem Properties Townhouse Proposal - April 16th Public Hearing Revision#1	-

I am a Westwind resident living on Wagtail Avenue.

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In principle, I do not have any objection to the rezoning to permit the construction of townhouses on the north side of Steveston Highway.

However, it is my understanding that the proposal is suggesting only one access driveway directly across from Swallow Drive, and a full functioning traffic light at that location.

I do **NOT** support the installation of a traffic light at that location. There has been no traffic light there for the 39 years that I have lived here, and that has never been a problem.

Installing a traffic light at that location may encourage additional unnecessary traffic into Westwind and I definitely do not want to see that.

If positioning the Anthem access driveway opposite Swallow Drive is perceived as reason for a traffic light, then move the access driveway elsewhere on the Anthem property.

There is no reason why the access driveway should necessitate spending the money on a traffic light.

Moreover, I understand that another traffic light is being proposed at Kingfisher and Steveston Highway due to an additional townhouse development being considered.

This is getting ridiculous.

A total of four traffic lights from Railway to No. 2 road?

That's four traffic lights within less than one kilometre! (probably .6 kilometre)

Compare that:

How many traffic lights between No. 2 Road and Gilbert? (only those 2 in that stretch of road) How many traffic lights between Railway and No. 1 Road? (only 3 – and that's probably about one full kilometre) And I believe one of those is not a full-time functional traffic light.

I think you should consider configuring Steveston as 5 lanes with the centre lane being a 2-way "turn only" lane.

Thank you for your consideration, Brian Snellings

P.S. – to date, there have been houses with occupants on the north side of Steveston Highway, and they have had access to Steveston highway without the need for a traffic light.

Residents of the Anthem properties can all have access to Steveston also, without a traffic light. They will simply all have their access from one driveway! They won't all be entering and exiting at the same time!