

Schedule 39 to the Minutes of
the Public Hearing meeting of
Richmond City Council held on
Monday, October 16, 2017.

To Public Hearing
Date: Oct 16, 2017
Item # 9
Re: Bylaw 9062
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Attention:
Mayor and Councillors

From:
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The community doesn't need any of the proposed uses for 4020, 4080, 4100, 4180, 4280 and 4300 Bayview Street. Steveston already has six pharmacies, one hotel, three grocery stores, four banks, five indoor recreation locations including a recreation centre, and 7 medical services business. We don't need any more such services. The population of Steveston does not support the need for more of these services. Adding redundant services does not enhance the viability, economy, health, or well-being of the community. City Council, nor the applicant, are able to justify putting in more redundant commercial entities when these types of business are not needed in the community. Moreover, allowing a hotel in the middle of a residential neighbourhood and in a community founded on heritage and culture would change the foundation of the community and could lead to other social problems.

I completely disagree with the proposed zoning changes and do not support the amendment to the bylaw proposed at 4020, 4080, 4100, 4180, 4280 and 4300 Bayview Street.

City Council has made bad decisions concerning this property time and time again. It is not the community's responsibility to absorb the deficient decisions made by City Council who are trying to hide their past errors. The community will not, or ever, forget what City Council has done to Steveston to the detriment of the people who live here.

For example, in the Report to the Committee under the heading of 'School District' it indicates that the application was not referred to School District No.38 because it did not involve residential uses that have the potential to generate 50 or more school-aged children. Unfortunately, the lack of consultation with School District No. 38 was directly pointed out during a previous change to the bylaw at this site that allowed a daycare facility. City Council chose to ignore the necessary consultations it because of their own self-interest. Because of the lack of correct research and due diligence, City Council allowed changed to the bylaw that benefited the applicant monetarily at the detriment of the community. As such, City Council has already mislead the community regarding the zoning of this property and they have lost the trust of the community as a result. It is the responsibility of City Council to act in the best interest of the community. It is time the councillors acted as such.

