Schedule 4 to the Minutes of the Public Hearing meeting of Richmond City Council held on Monday, May 15, 2023.

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Registration for Online participation of Council Meeting

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Hello,

I am looking to share my thoughts regarding an upcoming council meeting:

Monday, May 15th, 2023 7PM Bylaw 8500, amendment bylaw 10423 (RZ 17-782750)

Regarding the development of 6851 and 6871 Elmbridge Way.

The traffic proposal submitted to the city apparently was not consistent with the one communicated to my strata. The proposed total width of the back alley (Lane driveway) seems too narrow to accommodate for the already significant amount of traffic.

Currently, there exists a commercial loading bay, a residential entrance/exit, and a commercial entrance/exit. Because these are the sole traffic entry and exit from this lot (which includes some popular restaurants, businesses, as well as a T&T grocery, this alleyway is already quite busy. Large trucks often park in this lane, blocking vision and half the lane.

Due to an increase in restaurant takeout and delivery services, many of these drivers also (illegally) park along this alleyway, further blocking the accessibility for local residents and customers.

This activity lends itself to create a rather hazardous driving experience and frustration.

This means lots of congestion already exists in this narrow laneway - if the rezoning and building completes in the neighbouring lot, we'd expect significantly more traffic since the proposal includes loading/drop off area, gate access for new residents, and hotel access.

I am happy to see new developments in Richmond since it is a testament to the livability of Richmond as well as helping to reduce the current housing crisis. However, I must agree with my Strata's opinion that we should make sure the infrastructure that is being proposed is suitable for the area and adjusted for traffic use.

Our opinion is to add at least 3 m of new lane or to cancel the entrance of the new building in this laneway. (by choosing a different side to build their vehicle entry) The 189 room hotel and 356 unit condo being proposed will bring significant traffic otherwise.

Thank you very much,

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Thank you,

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