

Schedule 6 to the Minutes of the
Public Hearing meeting of
Richmond City Council held on
Monday, October 21, 2019.

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From: Karleen Gill <karleen_gill@shaw.ca>
Sent: Friday, 18 October 2019 13:11
To: CityClerk
Subject: Public Hearing: Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment 10088 (RZ 17-794300)
Attachments: Amend10088RZ17794300.docx

To Whom it May Concern:

Please find attached a letter documenting my comments about the proposed bylaw amendment 10088 (RZ 17-794300), which is scheduled to be discussed at a Public Hearing on Monday, October 21, 2019. I am an affected property owner, and would like these comments to be part of the record of the hearing.

Thank you for your assistance,

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October 18 2019

Re: Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 10088 (RZ 17-794300)

To Whom it May Concern:

I am the owner of the property at 10340 Sandiford Drive, and am writing to express my concerns about the proposed development detailed in Amendment Bylaw 10088 RZ 17-794300.

I have read the abovementioned amendment bylaw and associated documents, with particular attention to how the proposed rezoning, demolition, and constructions might impact my property, and my family's enjoyment of it. Overall, I am satisfied with the proposal, and trust that the developer will not make any major changes to their stated plans if and when the amendment is approved. However, I do have a few concerns about the security and protection of my property during the demolition and construction phases of the project.

My first concern is about the two protected trees (#12 and #16) which are on my property. Although they have been tagged as trees that must be preserved, I am concerned that the very minimal fine of \$1,000 is not enough to deter a developer from damaging or destroying these trees. If either of those trees are destroyed, the beauty and value of my property will be diminished, and that \$1,000 fine (which I assume would go to the city, not me) would do nothing to alleviate the situation. What assurance can I, as the landowner, have that the trees will be protected? From what I have observed at other Richmond development sites, nicely asking developers to please respect city by-laws has not been effective.

My second concern is about the security of my property during demolition and construction. My current fence will, I believe, need to be removed, and replaced with a new six-foot wooden fence (see attachment 2). Part of my yard will also be within a Tree Protection Zone (TPZ). What measures will be put in place to ensure that my yard is secure during this period? I have dogs, and need to know that they can roam in our yard without fear of their wandering off. I also need to know that people will not be able to enter our property from the construction site.

Finally, I am concerned about an impending rodent invasion once demolition work begins. When the Steveston Secondary School property was demolished, our neighbourhood was flooded with rodents, who had been displaced from their homes in the abandoned school buildings. I fear a recurrence with the demolition of the homes on No. 2 Road. The homes in question might be tenanted, but they certainly are not all occupied, at least not by humans. I would like to see a pest control plan implemented as part of the demolition project.

Thank you for your consideration of these issues.

Sincerely,

Karleen (Jordan) Gill