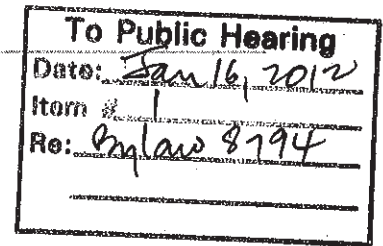


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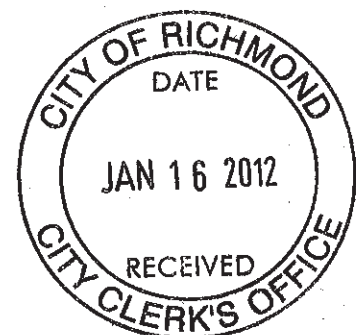
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Your Name:	Peter Sleeman
Your Address:	1651 Wellington Crescent Richmond BC V7B 1G6
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	140 Wellington Crescent
	<p>I am in favour of Council APPROVING Mr.McFarlan's application for a Coach House at this address. I am a pensioner and purchased my home in Burkeville in August 1975, and have subsequently acquired four other homes in Burkeville that I rent. While the capital gains has been outstanding, I cannot use that to buy groceries. As I get older there will come a time when I can no longer be able to phsically do the "FREE" maintenance that I now do to earn the marginal retun on this capital investment. The idea of selling the properties and investing the money in Term deposits , equities or bonds is not a viable option as the returns on those passive investments are miniscule especially after Capital gains tax substantially reduces the capital sum...and will not keep pace with the inflation. A good option is to build Coach Houses to provide affordable living as well as supplement pensions for our aging home owners...particularly widowed or single mothers, which incidentally four of my</p>



Comments:

immediate neighbours are and who are in favour of Coach Houses. This also makes possible affordable ownership for young people about to acquire their first home. To demolish an original Burkeville home to make way for a Megga home does nothing to preserve this community lifestyle, nor the Quaint features of the original homes. I would like to be able to move my typical 1941 Burkeville home to back of the lot, turn it around 180 degrees, jack it up and put a two car garage below. ...and call it a Coach House. This way there would be several synergies.... a cost saving in constructionrecycle the "old forrest" lumber materials, retain the original Burkeville look in the LaneWay home, and provide affordable rental housing, at same time upgrade the foundations, to overcome the rodent problems that plague the crawl spaces of old homes here....as well as overcome drainage problems etc. and make space for the construction of a new modest home. In some cases my single mother neighbours are thinking ahead to the time when their children grow up and cannot afford a home. the mother can live in the Coach House while the grown up child can occupy the original home. I have already witnessed an elderly couple who loved Burkeville get displaced from their home due to the growing value but static utilization of the land. If they had a Coach House, chances are they would still be in our neighbourhood instead of in a Community Social housing project a long way from friends and medical services. Respectfully submitted. Peter Sleeman 604 273 1635.