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SCHEDULE 20 TO THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD ON AUGUST 23, 2004.

August 18, 2004

Mayor & Council
Richmond City Hall
6911 No. 3 Road
Richmond, BC
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Dear Mayor & Council:

Re: Assisted Living Project, 12251 No. 2 Road

Council is aware that the Richmond Seniors Advisory Committee, through its Housing Committee, has been the catalyst in lobbying for affordable, assisted living housing being made available for low to moderate income seniors in Richmond. We realize that housing of this nature is being built in Richmond and existing apartments are being adapted to assisted living, although these changes are moving slowly we do see some improvement.

The above project has been discussed with the Seniors Committee and has been endorsed in principle by the RSAC, but with reservations.

While we see a need for 'Profit' units we would also suggest a number of affordable units to be included in the overall project. On this point RSAC requests that further discussion on this suggestion be made when the project has been approved by the Design Panel.

The one negative comment the Housing Committee had on this project was, it is not within walking distance to either shopping or recreational needs of the seniors, so hopefully transportation would be made available for the residents.

Our Housing Committee, led by Aileen Cormack, has visited the site and feel that any questions regarding shadowing can be resolved. A senior's assisted living complex would be a valuable asset to any neighbourhood.

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RSAC hope the costs of this project can be kept to a minimum, as many seniors who do not qualify for low-cost housing, but who cannot afford luxurious units, will hopefully be able to live comfortably in this complex.

We look forward to hearing your decision on this soon.

Yours truly,

M. Olive Bassett
Chair, Richmond Seniors Advisory Committee

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