

**MayorandCouncillors**

<b>To Public Hearing</b>
Date: <u>July 19, 2004</u>
Item # <u>7</u>
Re: <u>5988 Riverdale</u>
<u>Lot Size Policy 5456</u>
<u>Bylaw 7743</u>

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Comments:

Locally known as Old Riverdale, this is a long-established neighbourhood of new and older homes, many of which are renovated. This neighbourhood is undergoing a natural renewal process. Rather than cause the degradation of this neighbourhood with a change in lot size, the City of Richmond should let the natural renewal process take its course.

Schedule 14 to the Minutes of the Public Hearing meeting held on Monday, July 19, 2004.

We have returned to the days when every house over ten years old is viewed as a tear-down. Every day, perfectly good, and affordable, dwellings are being replaced by smaller, more expensive housing. This does not help families who increasingly find Richmond too expensive to live in.

The plan for two new houses at the corner of Westminster and Riverdale includes a lane on the northern border. Both the neighbouring houses are new, and highly unlikely to agree to giving up their backyards in order to extend any laneway.

