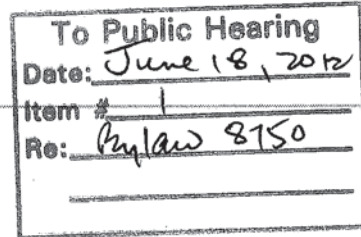


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Your Name:	Wendy Walker
Your Address:	4525 Fraserbank Place
Subject Property Address OR Bylaw Number:	RZ 06-344606
	<p>We wish to speak at Mondays hearing and also to submit the following written concern. We were shocked to receive a Notice of Public Hearing regarding the rezoning of 22560/22600/22620 Gilley Road (RZ 06-344606) with vehicle access being diverted to Gilley Road. This is completely contrary to what we have been sent in attachments from the city. We have been verbally told in the past that Gilley was not an option. The original documents state that all traffic will be diverted via Turner Street. In speaking with the city they also advised that once the dead end near Turner was completed it would actually create a greater traffic flow on Turner. Residents on Turner and surrounding streets say they do not want the additional traffic because many of their homes have secondary suites. In addition some say they have regular, large family gatherings that place a demand on parking. We have made it a point over the past several months to walk and drive through that area at various times of day and night on a very regular basis. It is a very</p>



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quiet street and area. There is always has plenty of street parking, easy access for passing, no traffic blocks and very little pedestrian traffic. Turner and other streets in that subdivision are 29.9 feet wide AND in addition they also have sidewalks that add to the safety of pedestrians. Gilley Road is only 16 feet wide with no sidewalks and virtually no parking. On Gilley, it is difficult for two vehicles to often pass each other especially if one is a truck or such. We live on Fraserbank Place and our kitchen window looks over Gilley. Over the past 20 years plus, I have witnessed many close calls as pedestrians have no choice but to walk on the road. There is a lot of foot traffic on Gilley from the subdivision above and it is the main access for a great many school children walking and biking to school as well as other residents. There are no sidewalks and minimal shoulders to walk on. Parking is very challenging for the homes already there. It is also a dead end street and at times is also popular with people racing mini bikes and such; many vehicles travel above the speed limit on this little dead end stretch – Canada Post and garbage trucks are amongst the worst. The ditches are full of wild life including beavers and a year ago we found a dead beaver on the should that had been hit by a car. Gilley is already so unsuited to the amount of foot traffic given its width and other conditions it is unimaginable it could become a main access for 35 new homes. We would like to request an update that everyone involved come to view Gilley and Turner to see the differences. Gilley Road at a mere 16 feet, with no sidewalks, the ditches etc. is absolutely the wrong street for access. We live on a cul de sac where many neighbours also have family gatherings and we manage. These events do not reflect the true traffic/parking conditions. Again, from the beginning, the city advised that once the dead end near Turner was completed it would actually create a greater traffic flow on Turner and the subdivision was designed with this in mind. Regards, Wendy and George Walker