

Schedule 17 to the Minutes of the Public Hearing meeting of Richmond City Council held on Monday, April 16, 2018.

To Public Hearing
Date: <u>April 16, 2018</u>
Item # <u>1</u>
Re: <u>Bylaw 9841</u>

CityClerk

From: dtrueman@telus.net
Sent: Thursday, 12 April 2018 12:48
To: les@leskiss.ca
Cc: CityClerk; LTerborg@shaw.ca
Subject: Anthem Properties Ltd Steveston Highway Development

Further to my last, I see an unexplained symbol at Swallow and Steveston Highway on Page A10 of today's Richmond News' map showing the City's 2018 Capital Construction Projects.

It looks as though the City is considering a traffic light there, as a *fait accompli*.

Dave

From: dtrueman@telus.net <dtrueman@telus.net>
Sent: April 11, 2018 4:13 PM
To: 'les@leskiss.ca' <les@leskiss.ca>
Subject: FW: Anthem Properties Ltd Steveston Highway Development

I'm sorry I didn't have your email address when I sent the following off to the Mayor Brodie, but here it is now.
Dave

From: dtrueman@telus.net <dtrueman@telus.net>
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Subject: Anthem Properties Ltd Steveston Highway Development

Mayor M. Brodie and Councillors,

It has come to my attention that Anthem Properties' development on Steveston Highway is requesting a traffic light be installed across from Swallow Drive, ostensibly to ease driver access from Anthem's proposed townhouse development. Making a left hand turn is difficult anywhere along Steveston Highway, excepting at traffic lights, but we can't help but think the new residents of the townhouses will be a privileged few after other drivers have had to suffer left hand turn inconvenience for upwards of 100 years.

A traffic light at that intersection would facilitate westbound traffic that wants avoid another light at Railway and Steveston to go their destinations in Steveston at the expense of Swallow, Hummingbird, Woodpecker, Lapwing and Bunting; the latter two of which serve as drag strips through the school and park areas. A southbound crossing on reaching Hummingbird and Woodpecker would be choked with traffic as those avenues barely facilitate 3 cars abreast and would lead to impatient and aggressive driving.

The ambiance of the Westwind area would be largely destroyed if Swallow, Hummingbird, Woodpecker, Lapwing, and Bunting became arterial roads. Children from the local school would be endangered as for some unexplained reason they seem to preferentially walk on the roads in issuing from the 3 major road exits from the school itself. The present traffic in the area also recognizes that street hockey is sacrosanct.

As Steveston Highway is a major artery for emergency vehicles of all types, more stopped cars at more traffic lights, including one at Kingfisher, can't help but further impede critical services.

Dr. D.L. Trueman, P.Geo