

Schedule 19 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>

MayorandCouncillors

From: MayorandCouncillors
Sent: Friday, 13 April 2018 11:32
To: 'James Strilesky'
Subject: RE: Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9841 (RZ17-765557)

Hello,

This is to acknowledge and thank you for your email. Please be advised that copies of your email will be forwarded to the Mayor and each Councillor, and will be included as part of the April 16th Public Hearing Agenda materials. In addition, your email has been forwarded to Wayne Craig, Director, Development.

Thank you again for taking the time to share your views with Richmond City Council.

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-----Original Message-----

From: James Strilesky [<mailto:jstrilesky@me.com>]
Sent: Thursday, 12 April 2018 17:00
To: MayorandCouncillors
Cc: CityClerk
Subject: Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment Bylaw 9841 (RZ17-765557)

I am writing to express my concern regarding the full functioning traffic light proposed fro Swallow Drive and Steveston Highway to accommodate the proposed 43 unit townhouse development by Anthem Properties. The proposed new single access to this development will make this a four way intersection. So, instead of left hand turns in two directions (from Swallow west to Railway and from west on Steveston to south on Swallow) it will double that complexity with four options (from Swallow west to Railway, from west on Steveston to south on Swallow, from new access east to No.2 Road and from east on Steveston Highway to new access north) and if one adds crosswalk traffic for school children attending Westwind Elementary it increases the complexity, and hence the danger, significantly. And appreciably more so because it is not two busy arterial roads intersecting where drivers may be more attentive to potential danger as opposed to an unexpected turning complexity introduced into a single busy arterial road with two side access non-arterial intersections. I am not sure if making the left hand turns specifically light controlled will make an already bad situation worse or better. And if they are controlled in that fashion, or not, the fact that a similar configuration may very well exist 400 metres to the east at Kingfisher will not make this section of Steveston Highway between No. 2 Road and Railway safer than it is now.

I wish I had a solution to this problem other than denying development or funnelling traffic from the new developments to Lassam to be dealt with at a single full function traffic light at that intersection, but I do not. However, I do hope Richmond Council is able to ask the necessary questions of the expertise it has available to it to find a better solution than the one being offered.