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**Sent:** Sunday, 15 April 2018 22:29  
**To:** MayorandCouncillors; CityClerk  
**Subject:** Concerns about Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment bylaw 9841, RZ 17-765557 - Proposed traffic lights at Swallow Drive and Kingfisher Drive

Dear Mayor and City Councillors,

As residences living on Chickadee Court, we are very concerned about the proposed fully functioning traffic lights access to the proposed Anthem Properties townhouse development (Richmond Zoning Bylaw 8500, Amendment bylaw 9841, RZ 17-765557) at Swallow Drive and Kingfisher Drive for the following reasons:

- Swallow Drive is a short residential street with a T-junction that servers the Westwind Elementary school catchment area. As part of the Westwind community, we residences, from children to elderly, enjoy the safe and quiet neighborhood. As you may or may not know, there are lots of children in our neighborhood play on the streets, riding bicycles, playing road hockey on Hummingbird Drive and Woodpecker Drive. Adding fully functioning traffic lights will significantly increase the traffic going through the neighborhood from and to Steveston Hwy and negatively impact the safety of our children and the elderly in the neighborhood. Adding traffic lights at Swallow and Kingfisher Drive is an inviting signal to non-neighborhood traffic.
- As a major arterial route, Steveston Highway currently is a faster commute for people who live in the Steveston and surrounding area to get to other parts of Richmond and to the highways. The distance between Railway Ave and No.2 Rd is only about 800m. The plan of adding two additional traffic lights at Swallow Drive and Kingfisher Drive is troublesome as this will cause significant amount of stop-and-go traffic, which frustrates drivers, wastes gas and creates more pollution. We cannot yet find another townhouse development between No.5 and No1 Road along Steveston Hwy with this type of setup.

We trust that the city Engineering department can come up with a better traffic solution for the proposed Anthem Properties than adding two fully functioning traffic lights at Swallow Drive and Kingfisher Drive, which negatively impacts the safety and convenience of the Westwind community.

Sincerely,

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