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From: Greg Booth s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2018 8:36 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Public Hearing July 18, 2018, Item #2. TEXT AMENDMENTS: Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law - Laneway Home Regulations

Dear Mayor & Council:

Re: July 18, 2018 Public Hearing item # 2. TEXT AMENDMENTS – Laneway Home Regulations

I am opposed to proposed changes that will allow laneway houses to be higher and bigger, and to speed up their approval process by making them an outright use. Speeding up approval processes is usually not to the benefit of neighbourhoods, in our experience. The program is clearly anticipating that laneway houses will be allowed on a separate title and can be sold.

* We have seen the clear impact of the Laneway House program in our neighbourhood, and which has been one of the factors of older rented houses with basement suites and rented upper floors being demolished, and multi-million dollar houses with no basement suites and laneway houses renting for \$3,000 and up. And all the laneway houses have 1 or 2 cars attached to them, none of which are parked in the designated space in the laneway house. This strategy is not increasing affordability.

* These proposals for larger enhanced laneway houses will make them even less affordable.

* An expanded & enhanced laneway house program will speed up the demolition of remaining character houses.

* There are many other choices of strategies to provide housing for lower & middle income earners, which would allow for more density, but also the integrity of our valued neighbourhoods to be preserved. However these strategies would not provide as much revenue for developers.

Please reconsider approval of these changes, and wait until a democratically elected Council is in place, that has these affordability strategies in their fall platform. These city-changing strategies should be voted upon in the fall election.

Regards,

Greg Booth

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From: Olivia Edwards s.22(1) Personal and Confidential
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2018 1:44 PM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Public Hearing July 18, 2018, Item #2. TEXT AMENDMENTS: Amendments to the Zoning and Development By-law – Laneway Home Regulations

Dear Mayor & Council:

Re: July 18, 2018 Public Hearing item # 2. TEXT AMENDMENTS – Laneway Home Regulations

I am strongly opposed to proposed changes under the *Making Room Program* that will allow laneway houses to be higher and bigger and to speed up their approval process by making them an outright use. The program is clearly anticipating that laneway houses will eventually be allowed on separate title so they can be sold rather than rented.

Olivia Edwards
Resident of Dunbar

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