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Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2018 9:17 AM
To: Public Hearing
Subject: Comments on St. George's Senior School Master Plan

Hi Everyone,

I really worry about the traffic condition now according what I have experience these couple weeks. It is summer now and St. George's School provide Summer Camp for students from different places. Summer Camp is good, I have no problem with that. However, the traffic condition is not good at all when lots of people gathering towards the same place.

There are so many things going on around the school and the traffic are all stuck due to these things. People just stopped randomly and passenger went off the car and jay-walked because they are being late. Pedestrians kept going across the streets at 4-ways intersections (there are two 4-way intersections in this area, but the intersection of Camosun Street and 29th Ave is the worst), this completely slows down the traffic. Full of parked cars along the streets, making the streets even narrower, especially 28th Ave, Camosun St. and Crown Street. There are more things going on and all of these factors lead to one result, the traffic is seriously bad and all people are stalled.

Now traffics are majorly on 29th Ave, Camosun Street and Crown Street. The situation on 29th Ave is better as it is wider compared to those other streets, but sometimes it is also difficult have two cars going through the street at the same time with parked cars on both sides.

What I am trying to say is the access to the underground parking on the current plan is not a very good choice. It might worsen the problem. The access is very close to the intersection of 29th and Camosun Street, cars heading south will be blocked at this intersection. As for 28th Ave, it is a narrow street and residents park along the street on both sides. It means that cars can only go in or out. In the mean time, the other end of 28th Ave can only go

south or north. Unfortunately, there are also cars parked along the Crown street and only one car can go through. When there is a large load of traffic, cars will be all stuck on 28th Ave. Heading north means the cars going out of the underground parking is turning left. Turning left means the car needs to yield to pedestrians and every other car which is on all other directions. The car waiting to turn left will block other cars getting out of the underground parking.

I only mentioned the problems that might occur when people are trying to get out of the underground parking. At the time that people are trying to get into the underground parking or go to school in the morning, the problems could only become worse, as all of street users will be at this area at the same time. While the streets are blocked, certainly there will be cars using the back lanes. This will not help the traffic and will leads to troubles to the residents living in this area.

If there must have an access to the underground parking on Camosun Street, what I can only think of is to have this access set at Camosun street and 27th Avenue. It is more away from the intersection at 29th Avenue and Camosun Street, allowing more space for cars heading south to wait for their term to use the intersection. Heading east, Crown Street becomes wider starting from 27th Avenue to north and cars can go north, south or east at the intersection at Crown Street and 27th Avenue. Towards north, it is a dead-end, which stops the cars from turning left while getting out of the underground parking. In the case that people are getting into the underground parking, there will be only two directions of cars getting in (from Camosun St. or 27th Ave.), instead of three (from Camosun St., 27th Ave, or 28th Ave.). Having the access at this location might not completely solve the traffic problems mentioned above, but at lease it is better.

I believe nobody wants the have a bad experience every school day traveling through this area. Students don't want to be late for the class, people who are just passing by don't want to be stalled, parents don't want to drop off or pick up their children late as they might have other appointments that they must arrive on time.

Thank you for your time and I really hope that my suggestion can be reviewed and taken into the consideration while pending the master plan for St. George's School.

Sincerely,

Emily Zhao

Dear councils and everyone,

I know that the St. George's Senior School is having a public hearing about its proposed plan and I have something to say about the plan.

In one sentence, I strongly believe that the traffic will go crazy and everyone will be slowed down or stuck if cars going in and out at Camosun Street and 28th Avenue. Everyone got stuck at the intersection at 29th and Camosun Street in every school day morning and afternoon already, and there will be another one coming up at 28th Ave and Camosun if the plan got approved as proposed.

I really don't understand the reason why a small and narrow street having stop signs at both ends is supposed to undertake such large load of traffic. Residents park on the street, too. With all the factors combining together, only one car can go through the street and in only one direction. It is either in or out, can't make both directions happen at the same time. The result of that is clear and mentioned, dead traffic and people can go nowhere.

So, it would be wonderful if changes can be made to solve the current traffic problem and the potential one as well. At least, please don't make the problem worse.

Thank you,

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