

Karen Hay

From: Bill Brown
Sent: December-17-18 4:19 PM
To: Karen Hay
Subject: FW: Public Input - add as Late Item for Tonight's council meeting - Staff reports item 5

FYI

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Director of Development Services
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From: Anja Nurvo
Sent: December-17-18 4:17 PM
To: Bill Brown
Cc: Laurie Hurst
Subject: Public Input - add as Late Item for Tonight's council meeting - Staff reports item 5

This relates to staff report 5 re Drake OCP Consultation, fyi. I'll add it as a Late Item.

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From: Meagan Brame
Sent: December-17-18 4:14 PM
To: Anja Nurvo
Subject: Fwd: Tonight's council meeting Staff reports item 5

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Meagan Brame <meagan.brame@esquimalt.ca>
Date: December 17, 2018 at 4:00:01 PM PST
To: Ian Wade [REDACTED]
Cc: Mayor and Council <Mayor.and.Council@esquimalt.ca>
Subject: Re: Tonight's council meeting Staff reports item 5

Thank you for your email. I will forward to staff to be added for information on this matter. May not make it for this meeting as it is getting late but will get on the next.

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On Dec 17, 2018, at 3:45 PM, Ian wade [REDACTED] > wrote:

I respectfully request that council refer the proposal back to the Design Review Committee and not authorize amending the OCP to change the subject property from low density residential to townhouse residential. Ten properties border the proposed development. Nine are single family dwellings and one is a duplex. All are one or two storey residences mostly with gable roofs. The proposed buildings will be three storeys with flat roofs. Thus those to the north, west and south each face having multiple three storey apartments looming over their back yards. The property to the north will lose the sun for most of the winter. Zoning is already RD-1, yet nine of ten abutting residences are RS-1, single family residential. The zoning is already denser than the surrounding properties. This cannot be called building community.

Drake is a cul-de-sac with no parking availability on the east side due to rock outcrops. The west side has only a few possible spaces, two of which are taken by an abutting residence that has no parking area (1226 Effingham). The street is used by many pedestrians as a path goes through to Rockheights and Grenville St. Groups and classes of students pass through going to the Rec Centre pool. Their safety will be compromised, given the limited onsite parking.

The developer proposes to demolish four units, each accessible to those with mobility impairments to build eight, none of which is accessible. The apartment blocks will not be built to LEDE standards. The siding will be cheap sheet material. This is an attempt by a landlord who could renovate the current suites to cash in by destroying a neighbourhood. To illustrate the owner's concern, one only needs to look at the perimeter fencing. Each neighbour has had to build his or her own.

The development is compared to 1060 Tillicum. This is misleading. 1060 Tillicum has three, not ten abutting residences, one of which has been demolished for development and the other two are elevated above the 1060 lot. Better comparable projects are just across Drake Ave. 625 Drake (five single family houses) and 615 Drake (a duplex in the back and two single family houses in front) complement the neighbourhood. The proposed apartment blocks will not. To amend the OCP to permit this is wrong.

Sincerely,

Ian Wade