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To: <u>Public Submissions</u>

Subject: [EXT] Calgary Planning Commission - Item 3.08 - 2018 January 25 - Comments

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Attachments: City of Calgary - LOC2017-0328.pdf

Re: CPC File LOC2017-0328

Redesignation of property at 7716 Silver Springs Road NW

While the merits of the allowing additional habitable space are well and good, in the case of the property at 7716 Silver Springs Road NW, we <u>are opposed</u> to the redesignation from R-C1 to R-C1s.

Rationale

Public road safety

Background

The roadway along west side of the property(the "long side") was constructed many years ago and is a steep grade(greater than 3%) similar to the Silver Springs Boulevard NW. Ask any person trying to bicycle up this section and they will tell you of the need to downshift or walk up the grade.

Concerns

- 1. In winter weather this roadway become severely impassable with snow and during warm weather periods becomes very icy due to daily thaw-freeze cycle. Periodically the City Streets maintenance group do operate a ploughing and sanding/de-icing run in the worst days.
- 2. Vehicle traffic is required to drive through the 90 degree corner to travel either northbound up the grade or southbound down the grade. With house as sited, the corner is a "blind corner" to traffic in either direction.
- 3. I have witnessed City of Calgary waste collection vehicles who enter and exit the lane to the north of the property, having to maneuver around vehicles parked along the east curb in very tight driving conditions, all with the possibility of northbound traffic turning the "blind corner" and also becoming a traffic hazard.
- 4. In the warmer weather, many families with children from the area use this roadway for bicycle trips and should the east and west curbs of the roadway be congested with resident and visitor vehicles there is essentially a one(1) vehicle wide roadway left to maneuver through.
- 5. On the west curb side directly across from the residence, there is a guy wire anchor support for the overhead electric transmission conductor supports. Should an accident occur as a result of congestion caused by the parked vehicles and moving vehicles travelling in opposite directions, this important anchor could be damaged creating unknown other damage.

Additional Comments:

Based on prior residents activities at this residence which involved trailer and vehicle parking, it would be suggested that a 24 hour parking ban be placed on the roadway that would ensure vehicles are never parked along the east and west curbs from the lane going south through the 90 degree corner.

Copies of the City of Calgary documents pertaining to the above are attached for reference.

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