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To: Public Submissions

Subject: [EXT] June 15 2020 Public Hearing Item #8 Policy Amendment and Land Use Amendment in Greenbriar (Ward 1)

at 222 Greenbriar Place NW, LOC2019-0101, CPC2020-0489 Bylaws 26P2020 and 77D2020

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To whom it may concern,

Attached is a letter to be submitted to the Public Hearing on Public Matters at the Calgary City Council meeting on the June 15,2020 concerning the proposed policy and land use amendments in Greenbriar, Ward1. (Item #8 on the agenda-----Policy Amendment and Land Use Amendment in Greenbriar (Ward 1) at 222 Greenbriar Place NW, LOC2019-0101, CPC2020-0489 Bylaws 26P2020 and 77D2020).

Sincerely,

Dan & Tonette Boutin

June 4, 2020

City of Calgary

Circulation Control Planning Department P.O. Box 2100 Station M Calgary AB T2P 2M5

Attention File Manager,

RE: LOC 2019-0101 222 Greenbriar Pl. NW, CPC 2020-0489

To whom it may concern,

As owners of a new townhouse (808 Greenbriar Common) immediately adjacent to the land being addressed for a proposed change of its land use bylaws on June 15, 2020 (Item # 8 on the proposed City of Calgary Planning meeting agenda); we opposed the changes to the existing by-laws being brought forward.

As new owners, we purchased in good faith based on the existing by-laws immediately adjacent to our new home. We have concerns with the proposed development of the 9-10 storey building, as the proposed development will:

- 1. Create shadows for owners like us living next door, completely eliminating our light in the daytime as well as completely obstructing our view of the city skyline to the southeast of us from our balcony.
- 2. It will increase the traffic flow in our area, making access more difficult more difficult. Also, with the proposed development which will create additional issues with parking spillover will further decrease as parking availability is already limited. Congestion will be another issue.
- 3. As owners, we have great concerns in regards to the environmental impact in the area which goes against what the community and the City of Calgary is trying to preserve. Below are the comments sent by the Bowness Community Association in a letter to the Calgary Planning and Development department on March 5, 2020.
  - 3. Of major concern is the future of the Bowness escarpment as it is eroded with development not in keeping with the policies outlined in the Bowness ARP including Point 18 "The escarpment should be preserved in its natural state. As well, Point 20 "The City of Calgary will work with developers in Greenbrier to cooperatively protect a contiguous natural habitat." Section 3 Environmental Policies point 1 states "Major natural areas...and adjacent escarpments within the community should be protected, rehabilitated or re-established to support the natural landscape and ecosystem."

This is not a good proposal for the reasons outlined above. We are opposed to the proposed development and do not support it as it will impact our way of life negatively and is not in the best interest of the home owners.

Sincerely,

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June 5, 2020

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Dear Sirs/Mesdames,

**RE: BYLAW 77D2020** 

Please accept this letter as my formal submission to oppose Bylaw 77D2020.

My name is Hailey Boutin and I am an owner of a townhome in Greenwich. My property is directly adjacent to the property that is the subject of the proposed amendment to the Land Use Designation contemplated by bylaw 77D2020. I vehemently oppose the amendment to the Land Use Designation for the reasons set out in this letter.

First, the redesignation from Multi-Residential - Contextual Medium Profile to DC Direct Control District (the "Redesignation") will drastically detract from the character of the neighborhood. I purchased my townhome in July of 2018 because, among other things, I was attracted to the type of neighborhood Greenwich was going to be - low rise buildings and townhomes. The Redesignation would allow for a building to tower over the development and detract from the charm of a low-rise development by obstructing views, casting shadows, negating privacy and causing congestion, points which I will discuss below. The community of Greenwich is not an inner city development where high rises are expected. If Greenwich had been designated as a DC Direct Control District from the start, I would not have purchased in the area.

Second, the Redesignation will completely block out all natural sunlight for the whole block of Artis townhomes thereby drastically reducing the quality of life for those residents. Greenwich is already a high-density development and the close proximity of the townhomes reduces the amount of sunlight that my townhome receives. I am very protective over the few hours of direct sunlight a day that I receive in my townhome. Given the direction that my townhome is facing, the construction of an 8-10 storey building will completely block out all natural sunlight. Living in the climate that we do, sunlight is precious. The blocked sunlight will impact my ability to continue growing certain plants and to enjoy my outdoor living space. The complete block of sunlight will drastically reduce the quality of life that I currently have in my townhome and curtail the use and enjoyment of my property. As a human being, sunlight is critical to our health and wellbeing. I would never purchase a home that did not receive direct sunlight because I would be unhappy. It is absolutely critical that I am able to enjoy the few hours of sunlight that my deck and living spaces receive throughout the day. The Redesignation is not suited for this neighborhood, and the residents who live in Greenwich should not be forced to live in the shadows of a building that was never contemplated when we purchased our homes.

Third, the Redesignation is not supported by the current road infrastructure and will cause inordinate and intolerable congestion, traffic and concentrated emissions. As noted above, Greenwich is a high-density development. Since there is only one road that services the Greenwich community, the Redesignation will dramatically increase the amount of traffic that will be using the road. During busy commute times, the added traffic will make exiting the community a logistical nightmare. Furthermore, the increased traffic caused by the Redesignation will significantly increase the amount of toxic emissions in the area. The Greenwich development is close to the Trans Canada Highway, so there are already increased levels of

emissions. The increase in toxic emissions from the Redesignation will have unhealthy consequences for the residents in Greenwich.

Finally, The Applicant's Outreach Report (the "Report") does not consider the voices of the residents who actually reside in Greenwich, nor does it consider the impact on the residents of Greenwood Village. As a resident of Greenwich, the Report completely neglects the impact that the Redesignation will have on the residents residing just feet away from a proposed 8-10 storey building. For example, on page 6 of the Report, the privacy considerations are in respect of the properties below the escarpment. However, from another angle the towering Redesignation will completely viscerate the privacy of those living directly next door. I will no longer feel comfortable sitting on my patio, in the shadow of an 8-10 storey building, knowing that there are people staring down at me. Furthermore, the Report does not consider the impact on property values for certain townhomes in the Greenwich community. Now, I am not an expert in real estate; however, I would argue that my townhome's value will decrease if an 8-10 storey building is erected just feet away, placing my townhome in the direct shadow. As a home buyer, I would not buy a home that was completely shadowed by a towering building, keeping in mind the additional points above that could also impact resale.

In summary, it is unacceptable to proceed with the Resignation when the negative impacts are as farreaching as they are. The Applicant has failed to consider the adverse and inordinate impact that the Redesignation will have on the residents of Greenwich, which residents live just feet away from the Redesignation site. The Redesignation would allow for my townhome to be completely overshadowed by a building that was never contemplated when I purchased. My townhome would receive no sunlight due to its positioning if an 8-10 story building is constructed on the proposed Redesignation site. Moreover, if such a structure is erected pursuant to the Redesignation, the increased congestion and toxic emissions will dramatically increase. On the whole, the Redesignation has only adverse impacts on the area, such impacts that will adversely affect the health and the quality of life of surrounding residents. As an Alberta homeowner, I am entitled to the use and enjoyment of my property. I specifically chose to purchase in the area because it suited my needs. If the Redesignation is passed, the use and enjoyment of my property will be negated due to the adverse impacts of a proposed 8-10 storey building. As such, the application for the Redesignation must be rejected.

Thank you.

Hailey Boutin

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√ \* I have read and understand that my name, contact information and comments will be made publicly available in the Council Agenda.

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### Good Day:

I attached my submission regarding the above noted subject. In addition to those submissions I would like to reiterate that the main issue with the approval of this amendment is the gain in density and the building height being 10 stories. Bowness is a unique area and it is not appropriate to put what is essentially a high rise tower in the vicinity.

\* Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters) I am also surprised and dismayed that Calgary Planning and Development staff and members would recommend and approve this amendment when the surrounding residents are so very much against it to the point of being almost unanimously against it. Melcor/CivicWorks has also not held a public consultation on their amendment and the residents were also not given an opportunity to comment on the amendment. At the community meeting in September 2019 many residents attended as well as Ralph Smith, Councilor Sutherland's Chief of Staff the general consensus of those attending was that we did not want this high rise density in our neighbourhood and this amendment should be overturned.

The community is fine with Melcor's existing approval of max height of 4 stories and they should proceed with that plan.

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Kindly overturn this application.

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Comments on File Number LOC2019-0101

222 Greenbriar Place NW

June 5, 2020

It would appear that CiviWorks has resubmitted their application for a Land Use Redesignation. I note that in this version of their submissions they make reference to the minimum dwelling units, whereas I believe in the last submission they state a maximum dwelling units. Now there is only reference made to a minimum dwelling units which does not indicate what the maximum dwelling units would be.

Aside from that, their application is still seeking High Density Low Rise-Multiresidential and as such our previous comments submitted September 10, 2019 stand.

# **About This Application**

This application proposes to change the designation of this property to allow for:

- · multi-residential buildings (apartment buildings)
- a maximum building height of approximately 32 metres at the south (an increase from the current maximum of 16 metres) approx. 9-10 storeys
- a minimum of 156 dwelling units (an increase from the current maximum of 43 dwelling units), based on a density of 150 dwelling units per hectare, approx. 20,900 square metre
- the uses listed in the proposed M-H1 designation.

Submissions dated: September 10, 2019

Currently this property is zoned as M-C2 – Contextual Medium Profile. Multi-residential designation is primarily for 3 to 5 story apartment buildings. CivicWorks has made application to amend the zoning to be M-H1 – High Density Low Rise – Multi-residential designation that is primarily for 4 to 8 story apartment buildings. It would appear from the application that, if approved, the density of the property would increase from a maximum of 43 dwelling units to a maximum of 196 dwelling units quadrupling the amount of density currently allowed on that parcel.

The property in question buts up to the escarpment as evidenced on Map 3 of the Bowness Area Redevelopment Plan "Bowness ARP", entitled Low Density Policy Sub Areas and as such should maintain a low density. As the Bowness ARP currently reads, all of Bowness is considered to be a low-density community with some of Greenbriar being medium-high density. The medium to high density areas of Greenbriar could remain closer to 16<sup>th</sup> avenue where they are better suited. The site in question also has historic value that should be taken into consideration when dealing with land use as well as development. According to the Bowness ARP Summary of

Policies, attention should be drawn to potential heritage structures and their surrounding landscapes. Even though the Bowness Golf Course Clubhouse (Romeo & Juliet Inn) was lost to fire perhaps something of a nostalgic value could be incorporated into any future development.

In closing I would like to state that we are opposed to this land use change and would like to add that if this change is approved there is nothing to stop others from building High Density building along the remaining escarpment and that would likely ruin the natural value of the escarpment itself. As indicated in the Bowness ARP, 3.3(1) "Major natural areas, including the banks of the Bow River and adjacent escarpments within the community should be protected, rehabilitated or reestablished to support the natural landscape and ecosystem."

Therefor, this application should be denied.

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We purchased a townhome in Greenwich from Artis in November 2018 that is directly offsetting the proposed Policy Amendment and Land Use Amendment. At the time that we purchased, the height restriction was a maximum of 16 metres and the density was 42 units per hectare. If we had been informed by the developer that a 9 to 10 storey High Density building would be built directly to the east we would never have purchased the townhome. The proposed height is two times and the density is over 3.5 times what we were told was approved for the area. This is a dramatic change to a very new area that was advertised as a planned and well thought out multi residential community.

We strenuously object to such a drastic change in land use as it will change the character, aesthetics and appearance of the Greenwich community. We did not buy in Greenwich with the expectation we would be next door to the tallest building in the entire Bowness community.

#### **Outreach to affected parties**

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After listening to the parties on the north and east sides of the area, one of the key changes to the plan was to slope the building to reduce the visual impact and shading impact on the north and east sides of the property.

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In the applicant's submission it is stated that their new plan would "achieve a balance of building height, mass and viable unit densities across the subject site". The new plan creates an imbalance of all of these factors and concentrates height, mass and density directly offsetting the south and western property boundary. It will have a huge impact on our property directly west of DC Site 2.

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Yours truly,

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Site and escarpment stability are both very real concerns. The city is currently having to pay out approximately \$28 million to fix an unstable and crumbling slope which threatens homes in Douglasdale and McKenzie Lake. I have heard reports of City Councillors questioning out loud how to prevent the past from repeating itself. Given the foregoing, it seems ill-thought, even ludicrous to me that 9-10 storey concrete high- rises are even being considered this close to the edge of this particular escarpment. It was a local dump at one point in fairly recent memory, as we all know. The City may also want to check with Cochrane and those developers on what occurred in the hillside developments out there in terms of slope settlement and subsequent mitigation and related costs. Those were much lighter, smaller buildings.

Neighbourhood Character -There is a blatant lack of respect being shown by both the City and Melcor for the existing character and low-density nature of Bowness and neighbouring communities. This is after their mutually professed (evidently false) concern to "maintain the special character of Bowness" which was put forward at the beginning of the process and actually written into the ARP. No effort is actually being made by either the City or Melcor to honor the so-called "special" low-density character of Bowness, the existing Bowness ARP, nor the very vocally expressed wishes of the local residents. The existing Bowness ARP, arrived at after a lengthy process, is simply being totally ignored, and changed at will (and now via new by-law) by the City to accommodate Mayor Nenshi and most the rest of council's relentless push for densification in Calgary. If this change is allowed to proceed, it will forever alter this oncespecial community, and we have had conversations almost ad nauseum with both City officials and Melcor design team. It is evident that both the development team and City officials absolutely do not care, are not listening, and are ignoring all input from rightfully concerned residents to these proposed long-term planning changes which will negatively impact existing long-term tax-paying residents, both adjacent to the site and in the community as a whole. Shame on you all for even thinking of pushing ahead with this after all the comments and objections you already have from voices throughout the community. I will add that city-wide sentiment against the Council and especially certain unbridled spending elements within Calgary City Council is growing city-wide, and I recommend that this is born in mind by all of us.

Building Height - Proposed Amendment is not even close to in line with the general Bowness ARP policies. Currently land use rules throughout the site are for low rise buildings M-C2 with

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a maximum building height of 4 to 5 storeys. If amendments to Melcor's already approved plans of maximum building heights of 4 to 5 storeys are approved, there will very obviously be a precedent set with high-rises dotting the escarpment and throughout the community. But I guess you will just make a new bylaw for that . (Oh yes, sorry, already done) The captioned 77-D2020 as proposed, I believe.

Proper notice of the proposed amendments has not been given. Melcor has not done proper due diligence in notifying residents. That goes right back to the beginning of the process. Signage has been tipped down in the mud after a few days in most cases, only replaced after we as a community group noted the situation to Melcor and the City. Hard-copy notifications have gone out in a decidely spotty fashion on every occasion to to only a small handful of the larger group of high-impact, close-in properties. Most recently, there was a March 16th meeting that was canceled but site signage for the proposed amendments has not been updated nor has there been notification of proposed land-use amendments sent out. With families trying to cope with the lock-down and other restrictions assigned to Covid, and with the main voice which runs counter to this proposal fragmented by this situation, this is not the right nor fair time to approve an amendment that will negatively affect our community and our city. The signage on Bowfort road showed up in the past week only. Seriously? This looks a lot like it is being pushed through on the back of the Covid situation.

The City's approach to this area is uniquely and transparently one-sided, with zero real regard for the actual wishes of the vast majority of local long-time tax-paying residents. It has for some time now been incrementally re-designated as a "special area", (the latest label is apparently Direct Control District) precisely in order to push through the agenda of densification and apartment buildings. The group at City Hall is preparing to take what they want from the community, using new official labeling and bylaw creation. The Bowness community as a whole does in fact have both eyes pointing in one direction, just so you are all aware. We see it clearly. If your previous word to Bowness in the ARP meant nothing in terms of sticking to what you said then, then what does this current process even mean? At this point we do not feel we are able to trust the City, or the process.

The comment below is from one of our Bowness group, which I am citing here for context. Note the comments regarding Trinity and University condo developments.

"There is overbuilding of condos in the Northwest area of the city especially given the economic climate. Trinity has already scaled back their development; the University area sales are not anywhere what they had hoped for; there is a new development proposed for the Sunnyside Greenhouse site; and...located in the same area as Greenwich there is a new Development Permit DP2019-6460, Madison Avenue Group, under review. Its also a multi-residential development (6 buildings – 6 phases).and now Melcor wants to turn a medium-density area into a high-density area with high-rises."

Enough is enough. We are asking City Council to at least do the right thing in this one area which will affect large surrounding areas of unique and special community, by keeping the development consistent with the wishes of the local residents, and by honoring the existing approved and accepted ARP. Don't just keep on making up new rules as you go along. The way

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in which the City creeps these changes through is very obvious, and very simply put, not fair to any of us, especially the next generation who will lose all that will be lost (the uniqueness of this community, which uniqueness and value to residents is largely predicated on its existing low density and character) by building a bunch of tall concrete apartment buildings to line developers' pockets and increase efficiency of tax collection and resultant cash flow for the City. We don't want them, and our children will be better off without them.

This is not Mississauga. This is Bowness, Calgary, Alberta. And we care about it, even if you do not. This letter may be seen by some as slightly combative in tone, that is only because that is how the vast majority of Bowness feels right now about this development, and about the City in general, and this needs to be conveyed to you clearly. This comes from the heart, and is an honest request. This is all of us asking you, not just me. Some things are worth protecting. Please help us protect Bowness.

Sincerely, Kevin Doyle



#### **Public Submission**

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* Subject	Greenwich land proposal (melcor)
* Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters)	I strongly object to Melcors application to amend the original permit to now be allowed to build high rise higher density buildings . The traffic situation on 83 St NW and in the 2 traffic circles on Bowfort Rd NW has increased dramatically in the past few years and allowing more units to be built would only exacerbate the issue. Please only allow Melcor to build what was originally permitted.  Thank you.

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