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Re: LOC-2020-0025

Dear Mr. Friedman,

The Glendale/ Glendale Meadows Community Association is strongly opposed to the land use application at 2727 40 Street SW. to redesignate from RC-1 to RC-2.

The Glendale community has worked diligently with the City of Calgary for years to implement a measured development plan for our community that preserves the integrity of our RC-1 neighbourhood. Acknowledging the City's desire for more density, we have worked to alter RC-1 zoning along 37th Street SW as part of the City's Main Streets initiative and approved new zoning to allow for a 49-unit apartment block and new commercial development along 17th Ave. SW. These are major boulevards that border our community, and we have heard over and over again through community engagement that higher density in these locations, on the perimeter of Glendale, made sense while maintaining the RC-1 zoning in the interior of the community. 40th Street is part of the interior fabric of our community that should not be altered to maintain consistent zoning standards for Glendale. Allowing a change from RC-1 to RC-2 here would have the potential to create precedent for a domino effect that could alter our entire community, one that Glendale residents have loved for so long.

Glendale is an active participant in the Westbrook Communities development plan discussions and single applications such as this have the effect of derailing a much broader discussion. Changing these terms on a solitary application now could be viewed as a breach of trust to all the work that community members and City of Calgary officials have put in to our future development plans. There are many communities zoned for just this kind of development in neighbourhoods east and south of Glendale. Developers should be steered to those communities where this zoning is already in place.

Sincerely,

Chris Welner

President, Glendale / Glendale Meadows Community Association