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From: Bev and Monty Pierce [jenmikemom@yahoo.ca]
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2016 9:52 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Objection to secondary Suite

Sir; This is my second objection to a secondary suite at 88 Whitnel Close ne. Since my initial objection another property on my block with an illegal secondary suite has been listed for sale. I viewed this property when there was an open house and was appalled at the state of this property. The condition was such that I personally feel it should be condemned as uninhabitable. The number of illegal suites in my area is literally out of control and as well as parking issues the overall appeal of my neighbourhood has been greatly negatively impacted. I bought in this area in 1979 and did so because it was zoned for single family dwellings. I object to any more secondary suites as the density has surpassed its maximum ability to safely support more residents in the area. thank-you. H.M. Pierce

--- On Fri, 11/11/16, Bev and Monty Pierce <jenmikemom@yahoo.ca> wrote:

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> --- On Tue, 7/19/16, Bev and Monty Pierce <jenmikemom@yahoo.ca>
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> > From: Bev and Monty Pierce <jenmikemom@yahoo.ca>
> > Subject:
> > To: Steve.Jones2@calgary.ca
> > Received: Tuesday, July 19, 2016, 1:02 PM Sir ;;; First of all let
> > me thank-you for giving me the opportunity to respond to
> > the
> > land use redesignation of 88 Whitnel Close N.E. I also applaud the
> > new owners for trying to legally
> > redesignate the
> > aforementioned property. I do , however, strongly
> > oppose the
> > redesignation to allow a secondary suite. I may become somewhat
> > "wordy" but I hope you will read my objections through to the
> > conclusion. 88 Whitnel
> > close
> > ne has had an illegal suite for many years when owned
> > by the
> > previous owner. There were numerous problems impacting neighbours
> > under his ownership. The first issue was
> > parking
> > ;;; previous tenants in the illegal suite parked behind
> > my
> > residence blocking access to my back gate. One tenant
> > used
> > his bar-b -q as a fireplace and left it unattended necessitating
> > calling the fire department to put the
> > fire
> > out. Another tenant in the down-stair illegal suite was a domestic
> > abuser and on one occasion the Calgary

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> police
 > > attended with five police cars. The compulsion by
 > certain
 > > City councillors to force the secondary suite issue is
 > very
 > > disquieting to me. Densification of my area is not in accordance
 > > with my wishes. I bought a single family
 > dwelling
 > > so I would not " be jammed in like a sardine". Further , it is my
 > > contention that numerous rented secondary suites will cause a
 > > resultant drop in my overall
 > property
 > > value. I walk daily around my neighbourhood and I can
 > tell
 > > you , houses with tenants and/or secondary suites are obvious from a
 > > quick glance. Firstly parking is an
 > issue.
 > > Many owners cannot park in front of their own
 > residences any
 > > longer due to multiple tenants with multiple
 > vehicles
 > > monopolizing parking in the immediate vicinity.
 > Secondly
 > > yard maintenance declines with a resultant increase in weeds. One of
 > > my renting neighbours uses the street as free public storage. They
 > > have one vehicle that
 > has
 > > only moved when parking control puts a warning sticker
 > on
 > > it. It is registered to a S.W. Calgary address. Since January of
 > > this year it has not even been able to
 > run
 > > and when parking control puts a warning sticker on for
 > an
 > > abandoned vehicle the tenants simply physically push
 > it
 > > further down the road; numerous attempts to start it
 > have
 > > been futile. These same renters have numerous parties
 > with
 > > as many as 18-20 vehicles parked on our 6 house block;
 > and
 > > even go so far as to park on their front lawn and the boulevards. I
 > > have spoken to the owner of this
 > residence but
 > > my concerns " fall on deaf ears". Another residence
 > right
 > > next to me is also a rental unit and the owner of this dwelling
 > > lives down the street on the next block. His tenants were a concern
 > > also ;they spit on my dining
 > room
 > > window facing his house ; threw lit cigarette butts
 > into my
 > > yard and his 3 dogs barked incessantly from 6 in the
 > morning
 > > till 11 at night and lately the weeds in the back yard
 > have

> > reached a height of 3 to 4 feet. Again I spoke to
> the
> > owner and again my concerns fell on deaf ears. I
> realize
> > there are remedies I can use by calling the city or
> bylaw or
> > some other department but I think you get the general
> idea
> > of what I am trying to say. These are just examples of
> 3
> > residences that are rented and /or have secondary
> suites on
> > my block or are directly across the alley from me so
> you can
> > imagine my feeling to more of the same throughout my
> entire
> > neighbourhood. I have spoken to many of my neighbours
> in
> > Whitnel Close and without exception not one is happy
> with
> > the tenants of adjoining rental units or secondary suites. H.
> > Pierce