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From: Sent: To: Subject: ILove Privacy [marintha@gmail.com] Wednesday, November 25, 2015 10:43 PM Albrecht, Linda Bylaw 199D2015

Hello,

This is in regards to the proposed re-zoning of a lot at the corner of 2nd street and 57th Ave SW. I understand the proposed bylaw would have the effect of removing any requirement for a parkade in the apartment building which is currently under construction? And that the justification for this is that the developers believe they are building for a particular demographic similar to the one which bought units in the recently-approved East Village parking-less building?

I am writing to oppose this amendment: the idea that this building will not need parking is ridiculous. In the past two years, two buildings immediately to the south of the lot in question have been opened. One is subsidized housing run by the city; the other is a private building with rents starting (last I checked) at \$1600/month for a one-bedroom apartment. In this time, parking in the neighbourhood has gone from 'no problem' to 'try over in the industrial district'. The very diverse demographics served by these two new buildings has more need for parking than is currently available: what other demographic are the developers of this new building planning to target?

Likely, it is people like myself. I do not own a car, simply renting from one of the nearby agencies when I need one. And even I think this proposal is nuts!

The experiment in the East Village is a noble one, but it is an experiment. Let's please wait to see how it plays out - in the inner city - before trying it in outlying areas. And please, let it be rolled out to other building proposals on the basis of a genuine understanding of the demographics and the neighbourhood, and not simply on the basis of the developer being short of the cash needed to do the job properly.

Thank you,

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