

Due to the delay of council getting to Agenda item 7.2.29, by prioritizing items ahead of it, I may not be in attendance when called upon to speak on the behalf of the Wentworth Community association.

Please read the following into the council record for us.

We are all aware of the ongoing traffic issues around west springs school adjacent to the application's property. The application and proposed business by the owners of 9041 9th Ave SW introduces a high potential of a significant increase of traffic particularly at the peak hours of school drop off and pick up on 9th ave and through the intersection with 89th street. 9th ave transitions at the intersection with 89th street from a wider collector grade road to a 1995 circa standard single side walk narrow residential street. This segment of 9th ave is also a dead end. We are concerned about the increased traffic for commercial purposes on this type of residential street in an area that is already dealing with excessive traffic load when kids are crossing intersections and walking to school. Residents are generally supportive or indifferent to child care day homes, which are operated by a home owner and up to one other adult for up to 6 children under the age of 13. There are a number in the neighbourhood that most of us would not be aware of. In this case the application is for a Child care center which is designated as in excess of 7 children and must have multiple staff. There a few of these businesses along 85th which are supported by the community. The applicant has indicated they are targeting 25 to 30 child spaces for this facility. A number of residents in the community consider this not compatible with the road infrastructure and traffic demands in the area. There are suitable commercial building site alternatives within 500 m along 85th street and more being built. Please reject this application.

I have been watching the public hearing all day awaiting the time to speak and am disappointed to have the agenda changed without consideration to all the parties looking to speak on item 7.2.29.

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Regards
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