Submission to Council Public Hearing Regarding: Land Use Redesignation RICHMOND LOC2024-0264 BYLAW 118D2025

From: Chris and Karen Howells

Home owners at 2336 Osborne Crescent SW since December 1979

Dear Council Members,
We write to oppose this application for reasons including:

## Concerned about motives for this application.

With new density bylaws, the current land use bylaws and designation do not stand in the property owner's way to increase density for these properties. It appears to us that the applicant's motives are to try to avoid their legal, moral and ethical responsibilities under our longstanding Restrictive Covenants (RCs) and thereby to disregard their neighbors' rights under our connected RCs. The City of Calgary elected officials including the Mayor, and several senior officials are signatories to our particular RCs. This fact should be of direct concern to our current elected and Administration officials. Indeed, the 'City Engineer' is responsible for dispute resolution pertaining to interpretation of our RCs. If the applicant's motive is to render our RCs null and void this surely is an entirely inappropriate use of the Bylaw. The plain language of the RC and legal precedent clearly lays out the mechanisms for a property owner to have the RC removed from their titles.

## Level of Density being sought is inappropriate for these particular properties.

They are located on very narrow one way street (24<sup>th</sup> St.), consisting of one driving lane and one parking lane (as evidenced on map that accompanies this file). 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue dead ends adjacent to the properties involved in this application. Moreover, there is a very active school at that same dead end corner. To make matters worse, there is a City sound wall construction project that has closed 24 Street to year end or longer according to notification from The City. In the long term, parking will be a major issue as the property owners are proposing a design with no place to park on the property and only one parking lane on the street in front of the property. Thus residents of these MANY units will have to park on the streets in front of other residents' homes.

The minimum density is totally out of character for both the mid-century and recent development of our neighborhood.

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Prior to the forced and unwanted new Citywide density bylaw, this was an R-2 community with a mix of single homes and duplexes. Attempts to exceed that density were successfully prevented with the help of our Counselor, our Community Association and our RC enforcement. Since the new density bylaws, the R2 level of density has been enforced through our RCs, sadly, with no help at all from City elected or Administration officials. The proposed minimum density being sought through Land Use amendment would stick out like a sore thumb! And again we note that our RCs can and will be used to prevent the proposed level of Density, so is a waste of The City's, taxpayers' and we neighborhood residents' time and money.

### Traffic safety for children attending the Northpoint School is a concern.

Every school day 24<sup>th</sup> Street and 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue are very busy. Adding as many units as proposed for a minimum density will only add to traffic safety concerns and parking limitations. To drop students off and pick them up, parents have to come via Richmond Road to 24<sup>th</sup> Street, find a place to park and then exit via 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

## The stress seems unending and we homeowners are weary and frustrated.

The developers seem to hold all the cards, have multiple opportunities to push for their agendas, wishes, and desires. We residents and home owners are allowed access to limited information and allowed only to respond. That is not an equitable process. Chris and I have already spent hundreds of dollars in legal fees and now hundreds of hours in personal time upholding our rights under our RC. We are retired and disabled and simply want to live our remaining years in our neighborhood in peace. Living in an active construction zone for literally years now, has significantly decreased our quality of life. We implore you to quickly put an end to this particular source of stress and aggravation.

Respectfully Submitted Chris and Karen Howells

We are a Cree Métis household and Chris (of the L'Hirondelle and Cunningham clans) is a proud card carrying member of the Métis Nation of Alberta. We find forced densification with virtually no green space on properties extremely offensive. Your indigenous statements are disingenuous to say the least.

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First name [required]	Ryan
Last name [required]	Algar
How do you wish to attend?	Remotely
You may bring a support person should you require language or translator services. Do you plan on bringing a support person?	No
What meeting do you wish to comment on? [required]	Council
Date of meeting [required]	Jul 15, 2025
What agenda item do you wish to comment on? (Refer to the Council or Committee agenda published <a href="here">here</a> .)	
[required] - max 75 characters	Land use redesignation - LOC2024-0264
Are you in favour or opposition of the issue? [required]	In opposition

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ATTACHMENT_02_FILENAME	8997GC_4_13 - AB - LTO.pdf
Comments - please refrain from providing personal information in this field (maximum 2500 characters)	We are the owners of 2411 24 Avenue SW, which is directly across the alley from the proposed development. We oppose the development for a number of reasons, including but not limited to its specific location on the corner of a 1-way street that only has parking on one side as well as being across from a school. However, and in particular, this application for a designation appears to be a specific attempt for the applicants to amend the zoning designation in advance of their subsequent application to approve a development that will not adhere to the restrictive covenant that encumbers the properties.

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### LAND TITLE CERTIFICATE

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LINC SHORT LEGAL TITLE NUMBER 0011 473 519 8997GC;4;12 221 261 037

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PLAN 8997GC

BLOCK 4

LOT 12

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

ESTATE: FEE SIMPLE

ATS REFERENCE: 5;1;24;8;W ATS REFERENCE: 5;1;24;8;NE

MUNICIPALITY: CITY OF CALGARY

REFERENCE NUMBER: 171 181 220

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REGISTERED OWNER(S)

REGISTRATION DATE (DMY) DOCUMENT TYPE VALUE CONSIDERATION

221 261 037 22/11/2022 TRANSFER OF LAND \$565,000 \$565,000

**OWNERS** 

**ERMIYAS GESESE** 

OF 2608 24 STREET

CALGARY

ALBERTA T2T 5H9

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ENCUMBRANCES, LIENS & INTERESTS

REGISTRATION

NUMBER DATE (D/M/Y) PARTICULARS

9685GC . 03/04/1950 CAVEAT

RE : RESTRICTIVE COVENANT

CAVEATOR - THE CITY OF CALGARY.

231 145 876 11/05/2023 MORTGAGE

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REGISTRATION

# 221 261 037

NUMBER DATE (D/M/Y) PARTICULARS

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ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: \$570,000

TOTAL INSTRUMENTS: 002

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### LAND TITLE CERTIFICATE

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LINC SHORT LEGAL TITLE NUMBER 0010 697 754 8997GC;4;13 241 160 019

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PLAN 8997GC

BLOCK 4

LOT 13

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

ESTATE: FEE SIMPLE

ATS REFERENCE: 5;1;24;8;W ATS REFERENCE: 5;1;24;8;NE

MUNICIPALITY: CITY OF CALGARY

REFERENCE NUMBER: 211 096 012

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REGISTERED OWNER(S)

REGISTRATION DATE (DMY) DOCUMENT TYPE VALUE CONSIDERATION

241 160 019 22/06/2024 TRANSFER OF LAND \$730,000 \$730,000

**OWNERS** 

ROYAL MODEL HOMES LTD. OF 3132 - 39 STREET SW CALGARY

ALBERTA T3E 3J1

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REGISTRATION

NUMBER DATE (D/M/Y) PARTICULARS

9685GC . 03/04/1950 CAVEAT

RE : RESTRICTIVE COVENANT

CAVEATOR - THE CITY OF CALGARY.

981 109 346 20/04/1998 CAVEAT

RE : ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT

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