

February 26, 2018

Re: Request for Comment Feedback on Application LOC2017-0323 (Land Use Amendment)

We, the residents of the property adjacent to 57 Brightonstone Landing SE **oppose** the application to change the zoning from R-1 to R-1s.

The first indication that there was an application for the zoning change was on November 7, when our son-in-law informed us about the sign in the adjacent yard notifying us of the application (we were out of town when the sign was put up). Prior to that we had no indication of this occurring by the applicant coming to our door and to date we have not received a letter from the applicant.

Reviewing the application, it highlights that the owners of 57 Brightonstone Landing want the re-zoning to allow for the grandparents to live in the house or a young family – this in our opinion is irrelevant. Once the zoning has changed the owners can rent out this secondary suite to whomever they want to (there are no restrictions).

Of note, just prior to us going out of town, we observed that someone already appears to be living in the proposed secondary suite – this person is clearly not a grandparent of the owners and we have not seen any other family members coming or going which would indicate a young family.

When we purchased our home on this street approximately 5 years ago one of the key reasons to purchase was based on the R-1 zoning which was in place. A change now to the proposed R-1s zoning will now open the door to additional secondary suites on our street. The R-1 zoning implies a certain density of population within an area however with a change to the zoning to R-1s the density and traffic on our street will increase substantially.

The owners 57 Brightonstone Landing have been in their house for less that 7 months and clearly would have known then that they would have needed to supplement their income to afford this home. While we sympathize with the owner's requirement to rent out a secondary suite to enable them to meet their monthly mortgage payments. We do not feel that we should be impacted negatively to assist them.

Again, we want to indicate that we are opposed to this zoning change.

Sincerely,

Grant and Karen Buchko

53 Brightonstone Landing