City of Coquitlam MINUTES – PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING Monday, February 22, 2021

A Public Hearing convened on Monday, February 22, 2021 at 7:02 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 3000 Guildford Way, Coquitlam, B.C. with the following persons present:

Council Members Present:

Coquitlam

Mayor Richard Stewart Councillor Brent Asmundson Councillor Craig Hodge Councillor Steve Kim Councillor Trish Mandewo Councillor Dennis Marsden Councillor Teri Towner Councillor Chris Wilson Councillor Bonita Zarrillo

Staff Present:

Peter Steblin, City Manager Raul Allueva, Deputy City Manager Jim Ogloff, Fire Chief Jaime Boan, General Manager Engineering and Public Works Don Luymes, General Manager Parks, Recreation, Culture and Facilities Jim McIntyre, General Manager Planning and Development Andrew Merrill, Director Development Services Robert Cooke, Development Servicing Engineer Manager Stephanie Lam, Legislative Services Manager Kate Nasato, Legislative Services Clerk

REPORT OF DIRECTOR DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

The Director Development Services submitted a written brief to the Public Hearing dated February 4, 2020, a copy of which is attached to and forms a part of these minutes.

ADVERTISING OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing was advertised in the Tri-City News on the following dates: Thursday, February 11, 2021 and Thursday, February 18, 2021.

OPENING REMARKS

The Chair provided opening remarks in which he set out the Public Hearing process.

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ITEM #1 Reference: PROJ 19-077 Bylaw No. 5044, 2021 Address: 1334 Charland Avenue

The intent of **Bylaw No. 5044, 2021** is to amend *City of Coquitlam Zoning Bylaw No. 3000, 1996* to rezone the property outlined in black on the map marked Schedule 'A' to Bylaw No. 5044, 2021 from RT-1 Infill Residential to RT-3 Multiplex Residential.

If approved, the application would facilitate the construction of a new duplex and the retention of the existing single-family house resulting in a three-unit detached multiplex development.

The Director Development Services provided an overview of the following:

- Zoning and Land Use Designation
- Proposal
- Recommendation

Discussion ensued relative to the following:

- The understanding that the existing zoning of the property allows for a fourplex development
- Clarification regarding the proposed density of the development
- The understanding that a geotechnical engineer and an environmental professional have been consulted regarding slope stability and creek setback considerations
- Whether the proposed zoning would allow for the addition of a secondary suite to the existing house
- Whether the proposed zoning would allow for the demolishment of the existing house and the construction of a duplex in its place
- Support for the preservation of the existing house
- The understanding that Council delegated the authority for Development Permits for multiplex developments to the General Manager Planning and Development or their delegate

Lamme Zarei (applicant), 1915 Charland Avenue, appeared before Council to provide an onscreen presentation entitled "1334 Charland Avenue" with slides titled as follows:

- Introduction
- Contents
- Background
- Reports and Designs Prepared by Qualified Professionals
- Proposed Site Layout
- Tree Protection Plan
- Proposed Building

In response to a question from a member of Council, Lamme Zarei provided information relating to the communications between the applicant and the residents in the surrounding neighbourhood regarding the proposed development.

Discussion ensued relative to the options that the City can pursue to ensure that the existing house is not converted to, or replaced by, a duplex at a later date.

In response to a question from a member of Council, Lamme Zarei provided information relating to the proposed fencing between the subject property and neighbourhood lots.

In response to a question from a member of Council, the General Manager Engineering and Public Works provided information relating to emergency vehicle access to this area.

Gordon Bowen, 1324 Charland Avenue, appeared before Council to express opposition to the proposed development and concerns relating to the impact that the proposed development may have on the environment, the availability of parking in the area, traffic and road safety, emergency vehicle access, and the character of the neighbourhood. He further expressed concerns relating to the existing RT-1 Infill Residential zoning of this neighbourhood and noted his belief that the proposed development will not support affordable housing for young families.

In response to a question from a member of Council, Gordon Bowen provided further information relating to his concerns regarding the impact that the proposed development may have on emergency vehicle access to the area.

Discussion ensued relative to the proposed tandem parking on this site.

In response to questions from members of Council, the Director Development Services provided information relating to the City's policies relating to riparian areas and tree removal, the history of the development and soil condition of this site, and the parking requirements for the proposed development.

In response to a question from a member of Council, the General Manager Engineering and Public Works provided information relating to the City's stormwater management requirements for new development. Lamme Zarei, 1915 Charland Avenue, appeared again before Council to provide information relating to the existing dwelling, the proposed measures to protect existing trees on the site, and the proposed parking and drainage for the development.

Gordon Bowen, 1324 Charland Avenue, appeared again before Council to express concerns regarding the impact that the proposed development may have on the privacy of the neighbourhood lots.

Gordon Bowen, 1324 Charland Avenue, appeared again before Council to speak on behalf of the Brianne Romanski- Brown and Gary Brown. He expressed their opposition to the proposed development and their concerns relating to impact that the proposed development may have on the environment. He enquired as to the when proposed projects are required to provide expert reports to the City and expressed concern that these reports are not prepared at this time.

Discussion ensued relative to the development timeline and the expectation that the appropriate professionals are consulted at the appropriate stages of development.

The Director Development Services provided further information relating to

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Discussion ensued relative to the following:

- The understanding that a number of conditions need to be fulfilled prior to final approval of the project
- The understanding that members of Council are not experts and rely on staff and qualified professionals to inform their decision making
- Clarification regarding the site coverage of the site outside of the Streamside Protection and Enhancement Area
- The desire for information relating to the implementation of the Housing Choices Review updates and the zoning of this neighbourhood to RT-1 Infill Residential

The General Manager Planning and Development provided information relating to the Housing Choices Review updates and the zoning of this neighbourhood to RT-1 Infill Residential. The Director Development Services provided information relating to the site coverage of the site outside of the Streamside Protection and Enhancement Area and the adoption of the Housing Choices Review updates.

Jayson Chabot, 818 Edgar Avenue, appeared before Council to enquire as to whether the development will be stratified.

Lamme Zarei, 1915 Charland Avenue, appeared again before Council to indicate that the proposed development would be stratified.

The following submissions were received, are attached to, and form a part of these minutes:

- 1. Presentation by Lamme Zarei, 1915 Charland Avenue, received February 17, 2021;
- 2. Letter from Brianne Pomanski Brown and Gary Brown, 1365 Charland Avenue, received February 19, 2021;
- 3. Letter from Gordon Bowen and Dyhan Roberts, 1324 Charland Avenue, received February 22, 2021;
- 4. Letter from David Bastow and Griselda Bastow, 1398 Charland Avenue, received February 22, 2021;
- 5. Letter from Allen Uotuck and Laura Uotuck, 1407 Charland Avenue, received February 22, 2021;
- 6. Letter from Elaine Webster, 1392 Charland Avenue, received February 22, 2021;
- 7. Letter from Brianne Pomanski Brown and Gary Brown, 1365 Charland Avenue, received February 22, 2021;
- 8. Letter from Julia Beaton and Barry Beaton, 1405 Charland Avenue, received February 22, 2021;
- 9. Letter from Michele Morrington, and three other residents of, 1400 Charland Avenue, received February 22, 2021;
- 10. Letter from Ilda Baptista, 1382 Charland Avenue, received February 22, 2021; and
- 11. Letter from Callen Cameron, 1394 Charland Avenue, received February 22, 2021.

There were no further representations to this item.

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CLOSURE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Chair declared the Public Hearing closed at 8:30 p.m. on Monday, February 22, 2021,

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CHAIR

I hereby certify that I have recorded the Minutes of the Public Hearing held on Monday, February 22, 2021 as instructed, subject to amendment and adoption.

Kate Nasato Legislative Services Clerk

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BRIEF TO PUBLIC HEARING, MONDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2021

ITEM #1 - PROJ 19-077 - BYLAW NO. 5044, 2021

Application to amend *City of Coquitlam Zoning Bylaw No. 3000, 1996* to rezone the property at 1334 Charland Avenue, from RT-1 Infill Residential to RT-3 Multiplex Residential – *Bylaw No. 5044, 2021*.

Recommendation:

That Council give second and third readings to *City of Coquitlam Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5044, 2021.*

First Reading:

On February 1, 2021, Council gave first reading to *Bylaw No. 5044, 2021* and referred the bylaw to Public Hearing.

Additional Information:

At the February 1, 2021 Regular Council meeting, Council requested no additional information.

Andrew Merrill, MCIP, RPP

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Public Hearing – February 22, 2021 Item 1 – 1334 Charland Avenue

1334 Charland Ave

Introduction

- Lamme Zarei, P.Eng, MBA
- Coquitlam has been always home since 2007
- Applicant and Coordinating Professional

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Nasato, Kate

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Brianne Brown Friday, February 19, 2021 1:18 PM Clerks Dept Opposition to 1334 Redevelopment 1334 Charland Ave - Opposition.rtf

Good Afternoon,

Please see attached opposition for the redevelopment of 1334.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to email me at

or phone :

Appreciate you taking the time to review.

Brianne Brown

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Item 1 – 1334 Charland Avenue

Brianne Pomanski Brown and Gary Brown - 1365 Charland Ave

We are a young family of five that have purchased our property in 2016.

Reasons we oppose the redevelopment for 1334 Charland Ave:

1.) This large, proposed building increases the risk of potential erosion and pollution in our Como Creek Watershed. We have been informed that there are concerns the land is unstable and is hazardous. You can clearly see the signs of erosion on both sides of the ravine. There is an increase of garbage by the ravine from other properties along the edge.

2.) Parking in the area is a big concern. We already have had various issues with traffic at the end of cul- de- sac. There is various bsmt suites in the small area with their cars. We no longer feel comfortable having our children walking down the street. The cul - de - sac has become an obstacle with cars going in and out. The use of the private easement to access the parking spots is a concern as well for safety. We already have upwards of 7 cars coming from the house at the end of driveway (1387 Charland Ave) and adding more is going to add negatively to our property. It is a small area with more chance of an accident by adding the duplex to the existing property.

3.) Emergency vehicles had had increased issues accessing our homes. We had to call the fire department one time and they had an issue with finding a place to put the vehicle to help us. Adding the duplex will add to the difficulty and puts all the neighborhood at risk.

4.) We have had flooding in our home twice now during heavy rain since the property next to us (1387 Charland Ave) was built. We have been informed by the city, the sanitary and IC /c-o (inspection chamber clean out) leads to our manhole. When there is a high level of rain in the main, there is a backup of sewage. This is being investigated by the city, but nothing has been done to correct it. We have concerns with cramming another two properties onto the existing lines.

5.) This development is being squeezed into an irregular shaped lot of an existing development. This new dwelling does not benefit our neighborhood. It will do nothing but compromise our street safety and protection of Como Creek.

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- 6. The preservation of heritage trees and vegetation on the Como Creek ravine edge and alongside the border between 1334 Charland Ave and 1324 Charland Ave is compromised with such a proposed development. We have witnessed numerous developers come into our neighbourhoods and rip out the trees even though they were tagged as heritage trees. The developers absorb any fines that may or may not be accrued into the final cost of the dwelling. There seems to be no panel of conservationists that oversee the conservancy and protection of this watershed and its riparian boundaries. Where is our council that considers the integrity of a neighbourhood and its ecology over financial gain? Who is standing up for the long time residents of this neighbourhood?

7. There is no actual need for this proposed dwelling to be built on this site. It is being squeezed into the backyard of an already developed piece of land. This dwelling does not benefit our neighbourhood by inviting young families to be able to afford to live amongst us. It compromises the feel of our neighbourhood, our traffic and street safety, our safety regarding the accessibility of emergency vehicles and the supposedly protected riparian land that is the home to our Como Creek and the wildlife that lives there.

8. We are very concerned about the drainage situation, both on our property and the contiguous properties. Our home is situated on the low point at the end of the cul de sac, and the runoff from the street and adjoining properties is is a problem now. The family at 1365 Charland have suffered instances of flooding following construction of the home at 1387 Charland.

What guarantee do we have that our drainage will not be further impeded and our homes overwhelmed by the additional runoff from the two more large units in an already congested, small area?

9. The logistics of moving construction equipment, vehicles and materials in such a tightly packed space are more than just problematic. They pose repeated dangers to pedestrians and children, risk of damage to residents property and vehicles and repeated dangerous blockage of access to at least seven family's homes. Can we really be expected to trade off our safety and security in favour of this most questionable project proposal?

10. We question whether there is an actual vision for the enhancement of these long-existing neighbourhoods that are the true character and flavour of old Coquitlam. The pushing forward of poorly thought-out development plans that drastically change the integrity and well being of our neighbourhoods do not enhance our neighbourhoods, nor do they provide any solution to the lack of affordable housing for our children and their young families. It simply looks like greed without vision and without consideration for the tax-payers who have maintained this neighbourhood for decades.

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Brianne Pomanski Brown and Gary Brown - 1365 Charland Ave

We are a young family of five that have purchased our property in 2016.

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Julia Becton. B. Beatre

From: Little Paws Rescue

Subject: Zoning Bylaw 1334 Charland Ave Date: Feb 19, 2021 at 8:26:11 PM To: Julia Beaton

Whom it may concern.

My husband and I are very much Against this proposal to build 2 Multiplex Residential homes on the above piece of property address. As it stands right now since the city approved the building of 2 homes on Charland Avenue a few years ago being 1365 and 1387 Charland Avenue all sharing one driveway with not enough parking.

Each of these two homes now have renters living in the suites along with the owners all owning 2/3 /4 vehicles each, our street has become very busy and dangerous with all these extra vehicles speeding back and forth into their Shared driveway in the culdesac When these family's have company they in turn park in the culdesac which is illegal, or they park on our street blocking our driveways.
Not to forget one VERY important point are our emergency vehicles who quite often need to come down with lights and sirens going attempting to turn around in the culdesac between the cars already parked there. Which we witnessed a few weeks ago in a matter of 3 weeks emergency vehicles were needed to help a neighbour be transferred to hospital 3 times.

Another topic in the culdesac where the proposed 2 extra homes will go, ,, is the garbage pickup. Garbage day is a gong show already with everyone trying to find a safe spot for their two cans plus recycling trying not to block a driveway. Watching the garbage trucks trying to maneuver their large trucks around the culdesac is a nightmare.

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The ravine and fish bearing stream that travels all the way to Como Lake needs to be taken into consideration. Also the wildlife and not to mention all the birds who call this their home and the beautiful trees they have called home for years

We have been residents and payed taxes on our home on Charland Ave for nearly 40 years, we raised our children here, where they played soccer and road bikes out on the street safely. We now have another generation of small children on Charland who cannot play out on our street safely anymore because of the development of homes being built, primarily in the culdesac.!!

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Charland Avenue does not have anymore room for development nor do we want it.

This Proposal should NOT go any further and should be declined for everyone's safety and conservation of vegetation and wildlife.

Barry and Julia Beaton.

The 3 new homes that were recently built on Austin Avenue all built on what was a single dwelling is now 3 dwellings. All with 3/4 vehicles each who are now either parking in the back lane which is illegal are now also using Charland Ave too. Gordon Bowen and Dyhan Roberts. 1324 Charland Avenue.

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