

**The following items of
correspondence which were
received with regards to Rez Ref
#16-42 present writers' comments
and concerns.**

From: Fang Fang [REDACTED]

Sent: December-05-17 1:03 PM

To: Clerks

Subject: Rezoning

Rez Ref # 16-42
Bylaw # 13814

To whom it may concern:

My name is Kate and I live at 6486 Telford Ave Burnaby. The rezoning plan has affected a lot for us who live in this area. We will be forced to pay much higher rent once we are evicted from here due to rezoning plan. After rezoning, the whole area housing will be increased and most of us will not be able to afford. I don't know what government is going to do about that.

A place that is proud of being one of the most livable places in the world should not leave their people in such situation that they couldn't even afford a place to stay, that's the basic of living.

Regards
Kate

Rez Ref # 16-42
Bylaw # 13814

From: Magdalena Gonzalez [REDACTED]
Sent: December-11-17 10:29 PM
To: Clerks
Subject: ZONING BYLAW 1965, AMENDMENT BY LAW NO 38, 207. BYLAW NO 13814- LOCATION 6525, 6559, AND 6585 SUSSEX AVENUE

When you planned the Metrotown downtown plan, you did not take in consideration that the whole neighbourhood will be destroyed. We are low income working families that have lived in this area for many years.

The city of Burnaby has approved the construction of the high rises; however, you have never gave options to us. You, as part of the city of Burnaby, have the obligation to work in pro of the community you serve, not against.

Before planning to turn down the whole neighbourhood, you had to plan how and where to relocate the thousands of people who will be displaced by this Metrotown Downtown Plan. Stop this rezoning until you have a plan to relocate this community, construct affordable units within the area. THIS IS CANADA, NO CHINA.

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From: Marlyn Ong [REDACTED]
Sent: December-12-17 11:18 AM
To: Clerks
Subject: RE: Bylaw No. 13814

Rez Ref # 1642
Bylaw # 13814

From: Marlyn Ong
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Date: December 12, 2017

We are a family with two school age children who will be affected with this proposed rezoning. My family and especially my children are saddened with this proposal as it means displacing us in a community which they love and have grown into. We do not have relatives here but we have gained friends in this community. Me and my husband are earning meager income that we cannot afford at this moment to buy our own place with the housing prices increasing by leaps and bounds.

We too, are dreaming to have our own place and anybody among us living in this area are dreaming of it, also. As residents of the City of Burnaby, we try to be good citizens following all the rules and regulations of this city but this rezoning plan is tearing us apart from the community that helped us live a happy and peaceful life despite our limited income.

As parents, with the limited income we have we pay almost half of our monthly income for the apartment alone and if we are displaced it will be difficult for us to find a rental place with the same price. This would result to tightening of the house budget, and perhaps lesser food to serve on the table and we feel sorry for our children that we are helpless with our situation.

We appeal for your compassion that before a permit should be issued, a concrete plan for displaced families will be implemented to help them get affordable new homes. That this rezoning plan will not push more families to the poverty line and most especially the flight of children affected with this plan be given consideration. I am sure that every parent will agree that any pain inflicted on or children are more painful for us to bear. We all want to give them the best we can afford. Lastly, I would like to appeal for your wisdom and compassion to help me answer the following questions of my children:

- "What will happen to us if the apartment is demolished?"
- "Where do we go now?"
- "What will happen to us?"
- "We love to go to Maywood school, can we just stay here?"
- "We will miss our friends."

Thank you and I hope for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,
Marlyn Ong

From: Paola Francescutto [REDACTED]
Sent: December-11-17 10:05 PM
To: Clerks
Subject: Re-Burnaby Zoning Bylaw 1965 Rez # 16-42

Rez Ref # 16-42
Bylaw # 13814

Good evening Councillors,

I am writing to voice my opinion regarding the rezoning of the north end of the 6500 block of Sussex Avenue. (6525, 6559, and 6585 Sussex)

I am living in my family home just south of Imperial Street on Sussex Avenue and have seen Burnaby change over the decades.

First of all I would like to thank the councillors for supporting the non-market rental housing that is proposed for part of that site. It is desperately needed.

However, I am also compelled to state that I am disappointed by what has been happening (or rather not happening) with the rezoning of Metrotown. There seems to be a general disregard for the people who live in these low-rent low-rise buildings in Metrotown. For every tower that has gone up, some form of low-rent housing should have been part of the equation . A plan to replace the homes that were lost to high-rise condo development should have been in place since the first re-zoning. I know many other homeowners in the neighbourhood who feel the same as I do about this matter. But it is not too late!!.

For the record, I am not opposed to re-zoning in general, But I am dismayed that so much affordable rental stock is disappearing and that so many of the residents are being displaced. Not only are they losing their homes, but often they are forced to leave this community in order to try to find an affordable place to live. These are people who have modest means and it is wrong for them to be displaced. It is not okay to push them out into other districts to perhaps become homeless. A fair society is one that makes and keeps places for all its members, regardless of wealth. Burnaby City Council should support all of it's citizens by ensuring that there are affordable homes for the financially disadvantaged. Low-rent housing is often the key that allows families and individuals to improve their future. Pushing someone out to the further suburbs will only make life harder for many of our community members. Metrotown has all the services within walking distance. It is a great place to raise a family! it is a great place for seniors, with parks and rec centres and pools and schools all within a short distance. Again, I repeat, it is not too late to right a wrong!!

Many of you councillors focus on services for youth and seniors. Many of you take pride in the 'liveability 'of our city, yet you overlook the most important issue. Housing stability and affordability are the foundation of a healthy community and are essential for the well-being of families, children, youth, and seniors. If you fail to provide/replace

housing then the services you work so hard to provide will be there only for the wealthy community members who can afford to live here. I urge you to please take the responsibility you have as city councillors and use the abilities you have as elected officials to take leadership and build new low-rent housing before any more units are lost and to include the replacement of low-rent housing stock as a condition to any application to build high-rise market housing and condos. It is never too late and I hope that you will do your best to 'catch up' and 'stand up' for all of the people living in this neighbourhood. Let's keep our community inclusive, not exclusive!

I thank you for your time and consideration,

Sincerely,

Paola Fracnescutto

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