

The following correspondences received for Rezoning Reference #19-45 and 19-45a are being submitted to Burnaby Council for the first time.

January 23, 2021	CITY OF BURNABY
Dear Mayor Hurley and members of the Burnaby City Council,	JAN 26 2021
RE: Rezoning application #19-45, #19-45a	CLERK'S OFFICE

We are writing to voice our strong opposition to the rezoning application #19-45, #19-45a at 2900 Bainbridge Avenue. Our reasons for opposing this rezoning application are primarily due to the numerous parking issues and the amount of traffic that will be generated by this business.

The proposed site of the Bainbridge Liquor store is also home to three other businesses: Subway, Rolling Dough Pizza and Gaya Sushi. Currently, there are twenty parking spaces in total. The parking lot is very narrow and is usually full most of the time, during the lunch and dinner times.

Currently, the loading zone is utilized for staff parking for Gaya Sushi. (Photo A). The loading zone is far too narrow and too short to accommodate the large trucks that will deliver to the liquor store.

Alterations would be necessary to the current loading zone to accommodate these large trucks, which would incur in the loss of the four parking spaces on the south side of the parking lot (refer to Photo A). The current loading zone is set back too far (several meters from a storefront sidewalk). To unload the pallets would require the deliverer to pull the truck forward to the property line on Bainbridge Avenue, thereby impeding the entrance to the strip mall. These large trucks would create difficulty for vehicles entering and exiting the parking lot and navigating the narrow throughway.

The alterations to the loading zone would also reduce the buffer zone between vehicles and the residence directly adjacent to the parking lot. The original zoning created this buffer zone to protect the neighbours. Prior to this rezoning application in 2017, the owner of the property of 2900 Bainbridge approached the direct neighbour at 2932 Bainbridge Avenue to ask permission to remove several feet of the buffer zone. The owner of 2900 Bainbridge was told that he was not allowed to remove the hedges and that the city would be contacted if any of the buffer zone was disturbed. With alterations to the buffer zone, the neighbours would incur more vehicle noise, vehicle emissions and would be subject to the noise of constant deliveries. The residence is 10 feet away.

Current deliveries to 2900 Bainbridge Avenue by large trucks, such as Sysco, park in a no stopping zone on Bainbridge Avenue (Photos A, B, C and D). This disrupts the flow of traffic on Bainbridge Avenue and backs traffic up going northbound. The truck is very close to the intersection (Please refer to Photos C and D). When traffic northbound is backed up, it blocks southbound drivers who want to enter the driveway at the proposed site. This driveway is 13

meters from the Bainbridge/Lougheed intersection, which is already deemed a HIGH accident intersection. The northbound back up also causes driver frustration and honking noises. As this intersection is deemed Bainbridge Urban Village and the site of future major development, this would create a lot of traffic issues.

A few years ago, Jeff spoke to the engineering department about the no stopping sign on the west side of Bainbridge Avenue which controls parking going southbound. He met with the gentleman from the engineering department on site on Bainbridge Avenue. They discussed that the no stopping zone was too close to the Bainbridge intersection as cars turning left into 2900 Bainbridge Avenue impeded cars getting through the intersection going southbound. The gentleman from the engineering department agreed that it was too close and caused back-ups but refused to move it further south to allow better flow of traffic. When council makes a decision, changes or adjustments are very difficult to change as neighbours have to deal with City Hall staff. Moreover, Bainbridge Avenue is experiencing unprecedented traffic due to the Winston Avenue sewer upgrade which is scheduled to continue for the next 12 months.

We looked at eight other private liquor stores in Burnaby to research their parking availability:

1. Jak's Beer and Wine at 5901 Broadway has unlimited parking spots. THIS LIQUOR STORE IS ONLY 2.5 KM. AWAY.

2. The Liquor Barn at 4125 Hastings Street has 11 designated spots for the liquor store and approximately 80 pay parking spots adjacent their store.

3. Bottle Jockey at 1899 Rosser Avenue is connected to Madison Mall and has ample underground parking.

4. Oliver Twist Pub and Liquor Store on Edmonds has 9 designated liquor store spots and 27 Pub spots.

5. West Coast Liquor Co. at 7651 Royal Oak is in a strip mall with 17 designated liquor store spots and approximately 50 public parking spots.

6. Great Bear Pub and Liquor Store at 5665 Kingsway has up to 100 public parking spots.

7. Wings Pub and Liquor store at 6879 Kingsway has 40+ parking stalls for patrons.

8. Hop and Vine Pub Beer and Wine at 1601 Burnwood Drive has access to 70+ parking spots.

If this rezoning application proceeds, it will offer the least access to parking of any liquor store in Burnaby and will create a lot of parking issues for the residents of 2900 Bainbridge. With limited enforcement on parking violations, residents will be even more burdened with people parking in front of and/or blocking their driveways (Photo E).

The two units for the proposed new site have been vacant for several years. The smaller unit was a convenience store which went out of business 3 – 4 years ago and the second unit was a hair salon which has been empty for 3 years. NO attempts have been made to lease the units out to other businesses. The original construction zoning proposal featured a café and professional offices such as dental and physician type businesses to serve the neighbourhood. The liquor store serves mainly out of region patrons.

We would like council to understand that the liquor store would be in close proximity to residential homes and that traffic would last until 11:00 pm. This would greatly increase the amount of both vehicle noise and noise from people. We have observed weekly at the current location of the Bainbridge Liquor store people meeting, buying their alcohol and then loitering for long periods of time outside the store before leaving. While loitering, some smoke and talk loudly, having no regard to the residents close by.

Attached herewith is the previous petition signed by several local residents who are still residing in the neighbourhood and have voiced their continued opposition to rezoning for the liquor store. Due to Covid-19 protocols and the fact that this neighbourhood has remained virtually the same, we are submitting the original (February 17, 2017) petition.

Thank you for your consideration to our concerns.

Jointly submitted by,

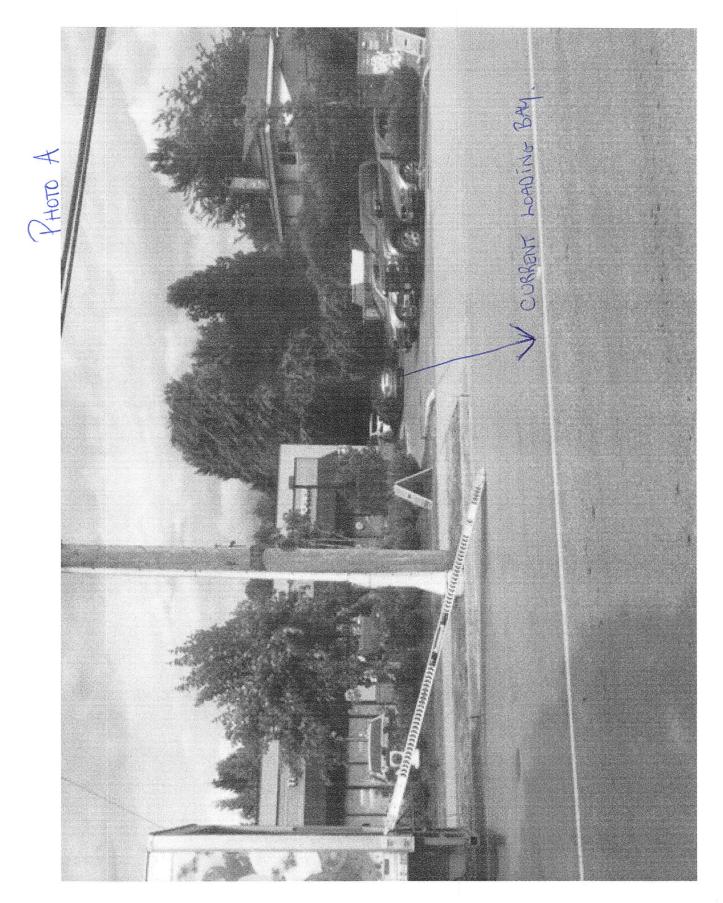
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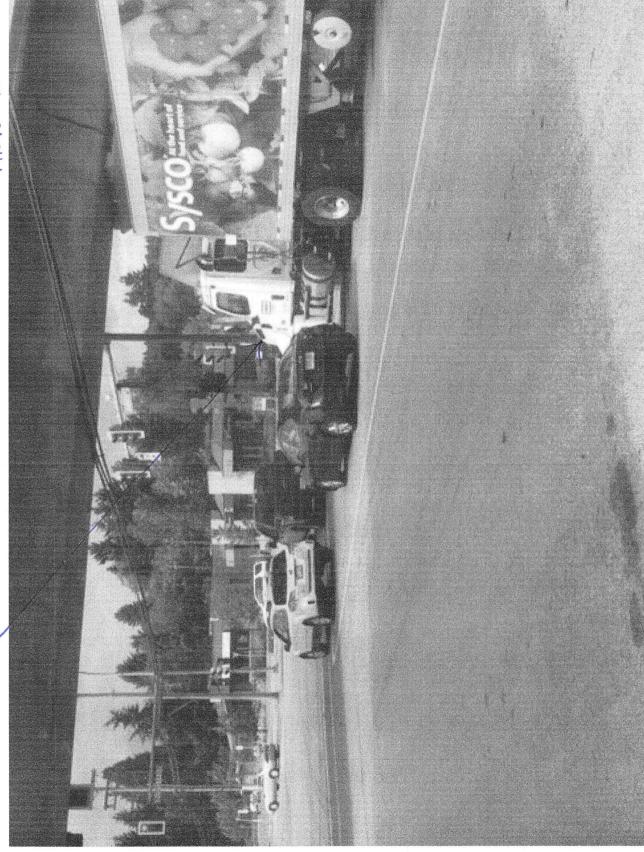




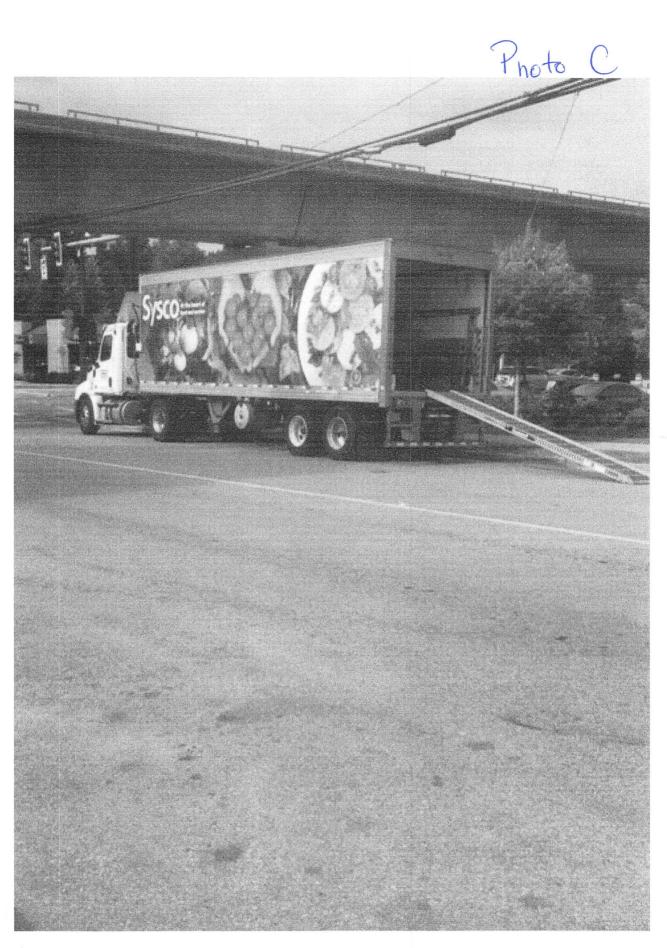
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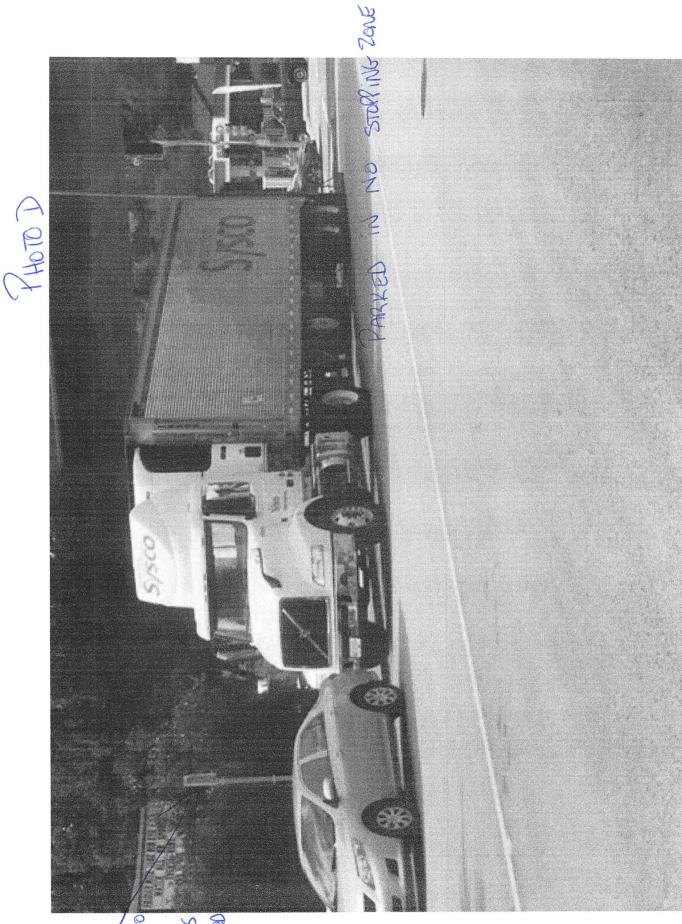
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February 17, 2017

We, the undersigned, petition Burnaby City Council to...

oppose the rezoning application #16-49 at 2900 Bainbridge Avenue, Burnaby, B.C. Letters have been submitted outlining the concerns for this rezoning application.

This is a brief summary of the concerns:

1. The current zoning is for businesses that serve the local neighbourhood. A liquor store is a regional business. It serves mostly customers from outside the local neighbourhood. The current location of the Bainbridge Liquor store is currently not visible from Lougheed Highway and it still attracts a lot of business. If the rezoning application were to proceed, the liquor store would be much more visible from the highway. The liquor store would attract a larger client base and thus, the parking would be grossly insufficient to serve the four businesses.

2. The City of Burnaby is considering allowing liquor stores to become marijuana dispensaries, bringing even further customers from outside the neighbourhood region.

3. There will be inadequate parking spaces to support 4 businesses (parking is already full at peak hours with the existing 3 businesses).

4. There will be inadequate space in the parking lot to accommodate the large delivery trucks; hence delivery trucks will have to park on Bainbridge Avenue in the no stopping zone, impeding traffic flow and visibility at Bainbridge Avenue and Lougheed Highway.

5. Noise of delivery trucks backing up will increase (to adjacent residences).

6. Noise from patrons' cars/patrons due to inadequate parking spaces will increase (e.g., honking).

7. As customers increase, traffic flow will be greatly affected on Bainbridge Avenue because the entrance is very close to Lougheed Highway.

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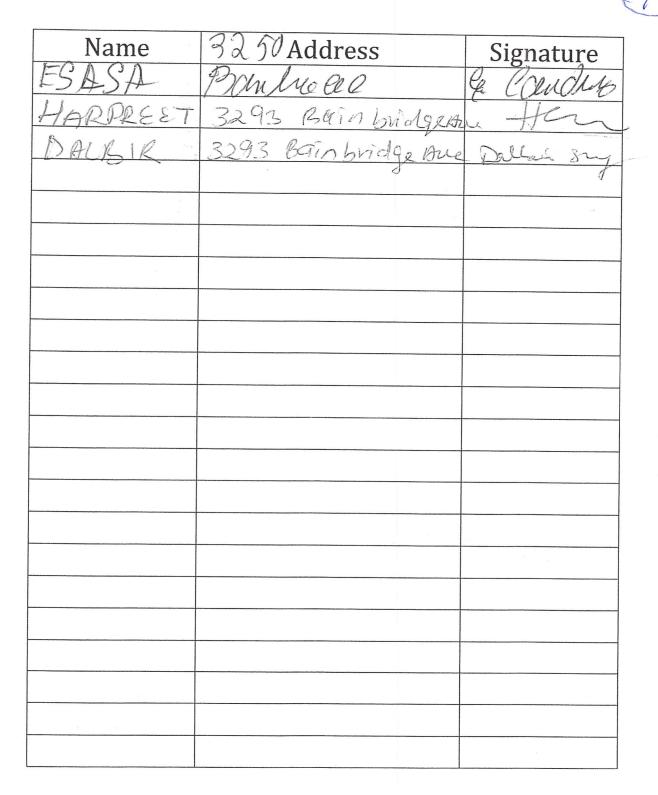
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