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Kingsway and 7255 Edmonds street

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Hi Burnaby City Council,

I am writing in regards to the Burnaby Zone Bylaw 1965. In considering these bylaw changes it is important to maintain the highland-park-line trail, trees, and public green spaces which go through site 7255. This provides a much needed route of transportation, for bikes and pedestrian traffic away from the busy vehicle traffic of Kingsway and Edmonds streets. This also extends and connects on to the BC Parkway. The space also provides public green space with much needed mature trees and vegetation. As more and more density is provided to the Edmonds community it is important to consider the benefits that trees and nature provide to the space and health of residence, that concrete buildings do not.

Building on the 7255 lot will also obstruct existing southern views of apartment building 7328, and parts of kingscross office/Apartments. The majority of my view is to the north, however, I personally get views of Delta, Tsawwassen, the Georgia straight, and the island and this would be lost entirely with a high-rise development on the 7255 lot.

My third and final note, is on points of access for these sites. Traffic on Edmonds can become quite congested, especially with lights at close intervals, if a third was added at 16th St and Edmonds this could add to the congestion, especially during peak hours. There are also three bus routes which diverge at kingsway and Edmonds. I would suggest, if possible to have parkade entrances from Hall Avenue and/or right turn only onto Edmonds St from the site in question.

Regards, Andrew Smith 7358 Edmonds Street, Burnaby, BC