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Pls include the following information action to my submission

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Thank you!
Olivia

On Tue, May 30, 2023 at 3:51 PM LegislativeServices <LegislativeServices@burnaby.ca> wrote:

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Kingsway + Edmonds Conceptual Master Plan



PROJECT PHASES

Project launch and background research
2021-Q2 2022

Concept development
Q1 2021

Public information/consultation
June 2022

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RE Redevelopment application for 7252, 7264, 7282 Kingsway & 7255 Edmonds by Aplin & Martin Constructions

Dear Burnaby Planning Committee,

I am writing as a local resident living in this area who takes pride in feeling as part of the community. Overall, I am NOT against redevelopment of this site. HOWEVER, I strongly oppose the proposed density of 5 towers with some over 50+ storeys! Here are the reasons:

- **TRAFFIC/FLOW OF PEOPLE & GOODS** There is already congestion around this intersection. As Kingsway is the ONLY major road through Burnaby (other than hwy), the proposed density is going to block/disrupt the flow significantly. The best negative example is our neighbouring city New West's 10th AVE. It's a nightmare to

go through New West during traffic hours because of the congestion. This is one of the major reasons why City of New West hasn't been properly developed compared to the rest of the Metro Vancouver municipalities.

- **ALTERING THE ESSENTIAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE COMMUNITY /NEIGHBOURHOOD** If you interview any local resident, new or long-time, the overall characteristics of Edmonds are low-key, more relaxed and more personal, instead of being an URBAN CITY CENTER where upscale fancy things give off a colder feeling, less identity and harder to relate to. Being how Edmonds is, is the REASON why you see greater inclusion/integration of different cultures and races. Just come to Edmonds Park on any sunny day! You will see how the park is fully utilized by so many different people across cultures, skin colors, languages, etc. I haven't seen the same anywhere in Metro Vancouver, and I am proud of this! Edmonds remains welcoming to newcomers, including refugees, largely because of this culture/defining characteristics.
- **WE DON'T NEED SUPERDENSITY EVERYWHERE** Where there is a wide-perceived housing shortage across the country, a closer look at the projected immigrant growth of half a million a year, reveals that nearly half of these people are already inside the country/communities. The housing needs vary across cities and communities. We do NOT need or want everywhere to look like Brentwood or Metrotown. If people desire that kind of feel of developed-ness, they can move there easily. But we don't need to apply the same developed-ness to every major intersection. What we need is diversity & sustainability in city planning, where the original essence and identity are celebrated and preserved no matter through what changes and re-development.

To summarize, I care deeply about my community and its planning. This is how I built my life around and how I derive my own identity from, my home and my community. I and other residents welcome renewal of our home neighbourhood, but super-density is NOT the right approach! Changes are more sustainable and permanent when they are phased in with moderation and not contradictory to its fundamental essence. This is the principle for everything.

At last, I appreciate this opportunity to provide input. I hope my voice is heard through this public consultation process, because after all, the changes affect LOCAL residents just like me, living and working right here. This is our home. Thank you for your attention!

Sincerely,

Olivia Xue

BTW, your link to [the Kingsway and Edmonds Conceptual Master Plan](#), doesn't load.

| *Do small things with great love* ~ Mother Teresa