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Subject Rezoning and development of Hart Road

Meeting (if known) Monday September 28th 2020

Comments

Firstly, I would like to publicly speak to make public my objection to the proposed Rezoning and development of Hart Road.

I am a [REDACTED] Driver, and I work for a local [REDACTED] company here in Saskatoon. My job requirements mean that I am away from my home and my family, ([REDACTED] and our [REDACTED]), for more than 25 days of each month, which is not favourable nor at times welcoming, this is not including the 12 weeks I was away when the 1st wave of this covid 19/coronavirus hit in March of this year.

My [REDACTED] and I have lived in the Parkridge Extension area from March of 2016, and in fact were the first people to move into the area. We have lived there for over four and a half years and moved from the Evergreen area of the city after the city Council approved the mass building of condo apartment buildings near to our home on Wyant Lane. We were able to sell in time and took only a minor hit to our equity before the housing market suffered severely from the beginning of 2016.

To find that the city Council is thinking of approving this rezoning and development of Hart Road is an abomination and is utterly disrespectful to the current residents of the Parkridge/Blairmore area.

Despite the information from the construction company that wish to build on that Land, the local area does not need another community within two other current communities and a thriving business area with significant stores such as Walmart; Lowe's; Boston Pizza etc...

We also have very little in the way of crime/disorder in our area, but that's not to say that the Parkridge/Blairmore area does not have any, it does but not directly on our doorstep. Once this development is completed and residents start to occupy the properties, then additional crime will happen and the people they will target will be us in the single family homes on the Parkridge Extension and also in Kensington area across 22nd St.

The premise of the construction company to provide 'Low Income' and 'Affordable Housing' on these two sites on Hart Road will bring with it trouble, trouble we currently do not have.

This proposed Rezoning and development of Hart Road would also change the building demographic of the area, as apart from the already constructed high density accommodation in the form of the condo apartment buildings primarily in the Blairmore area, the surrounding area is either duplex housing further down Hart Road and the extension to Parkridge where I and my [REDACTED] live.

If this development goes ahead, then the current residents of Parkridge Extension will suffer from devalued house prices, loss of equity in their homes especially when they come to remortgage and the high probability of not being able to sell their homes if they wish to move/or have to move for a certain reason, but also you the city will find it hard to sell the remaining lots on the Parkridge Extension.

A solution to this development is to build it elsewhere and a prime location would be the recently closed Northwood Motel which was closed by the Saskatoon Fire Department due to the buildings being uninhabitable. Get the construction company to approach the owners of the Northwood Motel and purchase it, demolish it and build their new community there. It will be closer, (walking distance), to many of the services and facilities that they will need.

I, my [REDACTED] and the other residents of Parkridge Extension, would rather the city get a construction company to build either Bi-level; Modified Bi-level or Two Storey Homes on the Hart Road site that are affordable and more inkeeping with the local building demographic.

Please do not ruin this family area with this disgusting proposal and keep this area nice.

On a personal note, apart from the obvious loss in equity and possible sale, my [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] and I am [REDACTED] years of age respectfully, and are getting too old to keep on moving. We moved to Saskatoon and Saskatchewan back in 2009 where we moved here from the [REDACTED]. We have moved in Saskatoon a total of three times in eleven years and we like Parkridge. Have got used to the trains rumbling through at all hours of the day and night, but would welcome them being rerouted. Have developed our home and our garden into how we want it to look and do not wish to move and do it all over again. We do not have the savings to do this and the last rules for mortgages would make it harder for me to get a mortgage as I am the only wage earner in my house.

Please do not allow this Rezoning and development of Hart Road to pass.

Thank You.

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