December 5, 2018

Councillor Laurel Collins

City of Victoria

Re: 1303 Fairfield Road

Rezoning and Development

Dear Councillor Collins:

I am the owner of the property at 1255 Fairfield Rd. My wife: Dr Elizabeth Jane Rohon O'Halloran, N.D. and I have been in this location for the last 32 years and have operated our clinic the Fairfield Health and Wellness clinic. We develop this property approximately 29 years ago as a commercial residential building and raised two of our four children there. When the space became too small for us we moved to another property close to the existing one. All of our children attended SJD. We are deeply rooted to the Fairfield community. We have paid residential/ commercial taxes which are not insignificant given the size of our small development. As part of the development we complied with the parking requirements.

I am against the development of a new project in this site. Though the site is not designated historical, this is a historical building and one of the oldest in our community. I come originally from Quito Ecuador were some of our building and historical churches are hundreds of years old. What makes a town special is not how modern their building are, they all start to look the same no matter where you are but to preserve the old craftsmanship and spirit that was put into building this structures in the first place. I feel is a shame let this old church in Fairfield be torn down.

I am more akin to have other non historical houses or building along the Fairfield Rd corridor or close to this structure to go for rezoning to accommodate for a larger development.

It also proposed that this site of development be changed to large urban village. If major and council are going to proceed with this you must be equitable to the rest of us that have lived and own commercial residential building in the neighbourhood and received the same designation and relaxation of parking requirements when our time to build larger structures comes into place.

Sincerely,

Dr. Juan Rohon, N.D.