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From: Betty Honsinger <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Thursday, April 11, 2019 4:43 PM
To: Victoria Mayor and Council
Subject: 1900, 1908, 1912 Richmond Road - North Jubilee Neighbourhood

Hello my fellow Victorians, I write today about the proposed development at 1900, 1908, 1912 Richmond Road – a 137 unit retirement home to be built by Miliken Developments and run by Amica Retirement.

The 5 storey building spans 7 city lots. It is massive. I hope that you will take 10 minutes out of your busy days to see what kind of impact that will have on the homes behind it and the streets around it. 5 storeys all the way down Birch Street is too high.

Kind regards,

Betty Honsinger

Ashgrove Street

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From: sheena bellingham <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 9:26 AM
To: Victoria Mayor and Council
Cc: Marianne Alto (Councillor); NJNA Community
Subject: 1900 Richmond Road - DP 00531

Mayor and Council,

During the April 11th Council meeting regarding the above-noted DP application, Council's motion was to refer the application back to staff to work with the applicant on affordability and to "ensure Lifelabs and the Medical Clinic find a home either in the project or in the neighbourhood." Subsequently that motion was amended to examine whether "medical facilities" could be accommodated either in the new building or in the surrounding neighbourhood. The community had been encouraged by Council's recommendations that staff work with the applicant on services and affordability in our community.

However, we are concerned to find that the above motion's wording has been altered in the report for COTW June 20th, to include a choice between a "medical office, medical laboratory or pharmacy."

There are 5 pharmacies within a short distance of this project - two directly across the street (Vital Pharmacy at 1825 Fort and Forbes Pharmacy at 1775 Fort). The area around the Jubilee Hospital is rich with medical offices - some empty. This proposal itself will increase demand for doctors and labs. The alteration in meaning to the spirit of the original motion suggests the possibility that North Jubilee (and the City of Victoria) could lose two valuable community services (lab and clinic) while likely losing the bonus density contribution to another community.

On behalf of the North Jubilee community, the NJ LUC would like to request that the wording of the medical facilities paragraph be revised to more accurately reflect the original intent of the motion and the wishes of the community which were to retain important public services in the neighbourhood.

Sincerely,

Sheena Bellingham
on behalf of the
North Jubilee LUC