

**Lacey Maxwell**

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**From:** tracy yarr [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** October 2, 2017 3:51 PM  
**To:** Victoria Mayor and Council  
**Subject:** No traditional sidewalk!

Hello:

I live in a 1915 cottage craft house at 1278 Kings Rd and do NOT want a sidewalk. I hate the thought of the area being trussed up to look like the suburbs. I don't pay Saanich property taxes, and I don't want to feel like I live in Gordon Head or even Broadmeade. I pay considerably more and I can think of dozens if not hundreds of better places I would like to see my property taxes go.

I think a little creative problem solving could preserve the old, almost fairy tale feel of this enchanted, woodsy area. Barring that, DO NO HARM and don't make the space look like Stepford, please.

Thank you for your time,

Yours,

Tracy Yarr

**Pamela Martin**

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**From:** Erin McGuigan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2017 1:55 PM  
**To:** Public Hearings  
**Subject:** Development Variance Permit Application 2695 Capital Heights

Good Afternoon,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the proposed changes to 2695 Capital Heights and the development variance permit application. I live directly across the street from this property (#1-1250 Kings Road) and I would like to provide two comments regarding this application.

Firstly, I commend the City for considering options to increase housing density in this neighbourhood and have zero objections to the proposed infill house.

Secondly, I understand, that there has been some concern raised by property owners in the neighbourhood regarding the City's practice of requiring developers to put in sidewalks. I would like to say that I share the City's views that sidewalks are a key component of developing a walkable City. I am of the view that sidewalks would be a welcome addition in this neighbourhood. Within less than one block of the lot in question there is a seniors' home, a daycare, a small private school, a family housing complex and transition housing for women with families. Within two blocks, there is a large co-op family housing complex. I live in a row of eight Capital Regional District townhouses that faces onto Kings. These eight townhouses alone house 17 children under 12 years old. There are many more townhouses in this complex. Kings is also a pedestrian thoroughfare to Oaklands Elementary and to the shopping district at Quadra and Hillside. For those of us who frequently walk as a means of transportation, for children and for mobility impaired adults, the availability of sidewalks is an equity issue. I would also like to add that because Kings is roughly east/west, at dusk and dawn the sun impairs drivers' ability to see pedestrians walking on the side of the road. At night, the outside edges of Kings between Capital Heights and Mt Stephens are very dark. I encourage you to continue working toward a walkable City.

Best regards and many thanks,

Dr Erin McGuigan

*I have included my contact information below. I trust that if the city has a policy of publicly posting comments, you will not include my address, telephone number or email address.*

**Address**

#1-1250 Kings Road  
V8T 1X7

**Telephone**

**[REDACTED]**

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**From:** David Hansen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** September 18, 2017 9:26 AM  
**To:** Victoria Mayor and Council; Jonathan Tinney; Fraser Work; Lisa Helps (Mayor); Steve Hutchison; Marianne Alto (Councillor)  
**Cc:** John James O'Brien; cam@brightconcepts.ca; David Hansen  
**Subject:** 2695 Capital Heights, Oaklands Neighbourhood

*To Whom It May Concern:*

*I am a resident of Oaklands neighbourhood who strongly opposes the imposition of sidewalks along Kings Road in front of a new development behind 2695 Capital Heights. **I am not opposed at all to the proposed development per se, but to the requirement that the developer install sidewalks.***

*I understand there is to be a Community Land Use Committee of the Oaklands Community Association on September 26 at 7 pm at Little Acorn Day Care, 2637 Victor Street, at which members of the City's Land Use Planning department and certain media elements will also be in attendance.*

*After discussion with members of the neighbourhood affected by this proposal, I and others will also be in attendance to convey an opposition to the imposition of sidewalks where there are currently none.*

*Sincerely,*

*MD Hansen  
2622 Mt. Stephen Avenue*

## Lucas De Amaral

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**From:** Barbara Middleton [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 04, 2017 6:36 PM  
**To:** Victoria Mayor and Council  
**Subject:** 2695 Capital Heights rezoning requirements

I live at [REDACTED], beside the property (2695 Capital Heights) that is on the October 12th Public Hearing agenda. I am opposed to the sidewalk which the City has declared to be requisite for this development to proceed. Kings Road is a quiet rural-feeling neighbourhood, and putting a section of concrete along a small section of the street would serve no useful purpose, while possibly damaging the two large Gary oak trees on the edge of the road. I would prefer that other options be considered, in collaboration with the residents in the area affected.

Thank you,  
Barbara Middleton  
[REDACTED]

## Lucas De Amaral

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 05, 2017 8:59 PM  
**To:** Victoria Mayor and Council  
**Subject:** 2695 Capital Heights & Kin Street Greenway

Dear Mayor Helps and Councillors,

I write as a concerned citizen, living in the "upper Oaklands" area. In particular, my concern is that you are about to mandate the construction of a sidewalk in front of the proposed development at 2695 Capital Heights. A one-block sidewalk would be unsafe and unsightly, especially in light of the broader vision for a greenway.

Wouldn't it be better to give us time to form a greenway plan that takes into consideration the "bigger picture"? As a dog owner, child-minder, senior caregiver, runner, biker and daily after-dinner walker with my husband, I can tell you that drivers on our streets without sidewalks (especially on "upper" Kings, between Fernwood and Cook) seem to drive slower and more mindfully than they do when we're walking on streets with sidewalks. It's as if they seem know they have to keep an eye out for us. In fact, my husband and I bought on Mt. Stephen because it didn't have sidewalks--and that, according to longtime residents, there never would be as a result of the vote they participated in years ago.

It seems to me that the construction of a "piecemeal sidewalk" in front of 2695 Capital Heights will effectively deny us the opportunity to create something more, something of vision, something lasting, in our very special neighbourhood. Please don't proceed with the construction of this sidewalk until a more comprehensive plan can be put into place.

Sincerely,

Connie Mitchell