

**RE: City of Prince George Zoning Bylaw No.7850,2007, Amendment
Bylaw No.9387,2023**

I am respectfully requesting that council consider the following concerns regarding the above-mentioned rezoning of the subject property 2690 Queensway.

The current infrastructure is not conducive to the additional increase of vehicle traffic in the area. The side streets of LaSalle and Inlander Streets lack sidewalks, ditches, lighting, and street parking which is already a safety concern for some of the vulnerable people who reside and attend day care in the area.

The daycare/pre-school that is situated on LaSalle has limited designated parking for parents to drop of their children. Parents are often forced to park on Lasalle street and have their children exit their vehicles directly onto the road and walk across the street. This is a very busy street and the number of vehicles parked on the road creates congestion and can restrict the view of the drivers and affects the smooth and safe access in and out of the street. I have on numerous occasions watched parents struggle to find parking and cross the street with their children to access the daycare. I am very concerned that if the traffic is increased further at this intersection to accommodate this project the safety of those utilising the daycare could be impacted. The daycare provides an essential service in the neighbourhood which we are fortunate to have given that we have a daycare shortage within our city.

Our neighbourhood is also home to a community living resource. The 4-plex type home on Lasalle is a 24-hour operated supported living home providing services to adults with development mental disabilities. The service providers look for welcoming safe neighbourhoods to purchase these homes where their residents live. As it is a staffed resource there is a constant movement of vehicles onto the street to allow for staff shift changes, carefree drops off/pick up and outings etc. Vehicles parked on the street restrict the flow of the traffic and the visibility for drivers which is exacerbated during the winter months when there are high snowbanks. The residents who live here do not have access to a sidewalk while out on their daily walks and walk on the road. Additional traffic to the area

presents some safety concerns for pedestrians, additional street noise and could potentially impact the quality of life of the residents.

The new development of the church on LaSalle appears to have very limited parking on site and the parishioners will have to park on Lasalle and Inlander to attend services. When vehicles are parked on both sides of Lasalle and Inlander streets the streets are reduced to a single lane because they are so narrow.

Inlander St is also a main thoroughfare for dog walkers, cyclists, children at play and wildlife all of which will be greatly impacted with increase traffic, noise, and pollution.

In summary the infrastructure in the area cannot support additional traffic without having a direct impact on the safety and well being of the residents particularly those who are vulnerable.

Any development of the land at 2690 Queensway needs to have its own access that reflects its address minimizing any additional traffic and noise to the side streets. We have a civic responsibility to safeguard our vulnerable neighbours whose service providers have chosen out neighbourhood to provide their essential services.

Thank you for considering these concerns.

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