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Good evening Mayor Yu,

Further to our emails sent last week, we wanted to reach out to you once again to provide some clearer facts that we believe Council will need to consider before the third reading prior to voting for the Twinberry proposal set for April 12th, 2023:

- The only entrance/exit into Twinberry subdivision is located off of Highway 97 which is by way of a short right hand turning lane with no street lights along the stretch of the highway (only at the intersection) consisting of a 90km speed zone. The entrance consists of 2 sharp turns into the neighbourhood which gradually become a very narrow two lane entrance/exit. In the Winter, the entrance becomes even smaller due to piling snow which has resulted in my Husband and I having had a few near misses as these corners become blind at this time of year. As we are a rural neighbourhood, snow clearing does not happen right away unlike priority routes located downtown or in the lower part and often with the snow, the entrance becomes a very narrow one way lane. With more people entering into the neighbourhood, this entrance will become more congested and impact the neighbourhood's safety drastically, especially in the Winter time.
- As this is one of the last turn offs off the Highway heading out of town, we see a lot of people trying to pass cars through the intersection which is a double solid line going over the speed limit as they are pulling into the right hand lane to enter into Twinberry. This is also not safe for people who are pulling out to head into town from our neighbourhood. Luckily in the past 6 years that we have lived here we have not had an accident, but I do feel that with the increase traffic, it will be a matter of time.
- The Twinberry Subdivision is about 1km away from city limits resulting in no public transportation. The closest bus stop is located on Estivilla Drive which is 1.4 kms away. To travel by foot to the bus stop, you would need to either walk on the side of the busy highway 97 or walk on a gravel trail to Wapiti Street connecting to Estavilla Dr which contains no street lights and often Wildlife such as moose and bear will be grazing on either side of the road. I personally do not walk this way unless it is daylight and I have my dog in tow. In the winter and early spring, the single lane trail is not plowed and is not an easy walk for anyone.
- Regarding sewer and waste, the infrastructure is not available here. As noted in our previous email, any time the power goes off the City of Prince George has to send a vacuum truck to suck out any waste from backing up into the homes at the end of Twinberry drive. The land does not support a normal water and waste tank. To have this upgraded to even support 50 more homes it would cost a significant amount of money.

Thank you again for taking time out of your busy day to review our concerns regarding this proposal. I hope this email helps in finalizing your decision and we continue to thank you for taking our thoughts/concerns into consideration prior to voting on April 12th, 2023.

Kind regards,
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