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Mayor and Council,

I am writing regarding the Encampment on Lower Patricia Boulevard and the affects it has on the Millar Addition Neighbourhood, Downtown Businesses, and our City.

When a resident can no longer enjoy their Neighbourhood because of the extreme poor air quality, causing a health risk to residents, businesses, and the numerous Preschools, Daycares, and Elementary schools, the City needs to address this issue.

Since the Encampment has been part of our neighbourhood, we have seen an increase in the usual petty crime, as well as murders, and attempted murders outside our front door, and the barrage of sirens attending to these incidents.

We have been tolerant, and patient, allowing Bylaw Services and the RCMP to do their best dealing with our Neighbourhood and the Encampment. When residents are threatened by individuals involved with the Encampment simply by being in our Neighbourhood, this needs to be addressed.

Health and Safety issues are a concern for, the Millar Addition and Encampment residents, both who have expressed these publicly. The Heart and Hearth Program will be an improvement for Encampment Residents, Millar Addition, and Local Businesses. The concern for all involved is the addition of the Heart and Hearth Program coinciding with the Encampment, it is destined to compound all the issues the City has been inundated with. They cannot coexist and should not be neighbours, it is one or the other. Mayor and Council have an opportunity to prevent this Temporary Permit Application, more discussion is needed with BC Housing, Provincial Governments, and City Residents.

Thank You
Sam Vassallo