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RZ100784 - Bylaw 9387 (2690 Queensway) - Meeting Date: June 12, 2023

Comments

Hello Mayor & Council,

Unfortunately, I am unable to attend todays public hearing but wanted to reiterate my thoughts on this potential rezoning/development.

At the last hearing, when questions came up around the traffic impact study, it was stated both by city staff and the representative from the developer that there are professionals that have done this, and we need to listen to them. I think everyone agrees that this is how it should work, however, if we don't question it sometimes, mistakes can be made. It became apparent that the previous traffic impact study that suggested using Inlander St as an access road for this potential development, had not even looked at Inlander st itself, and the safety of the existing and potential new residents was not considered. After the hearing I was able to look at the previous traffic impact study and I realized something that I want you all to consider when reading the new impact study.

The traffic impact study does not consider the impact the traffic will have on the citizens of Prince George, on the neighbourhood or on the walking or biking routes in the area. The study only looks at how the development itself will impact traffic. Yes, the easiest way to not impact traffic on Queensway would be to use Inlander St. But if it does not consider the safety of suggesting this, it is only considering the cars being used. It did not consider how this would impact residents in the area. It only considered the fact that cars turning onto Queensway would impact other cars on Queensway, so using the lights at LaSelle and Queensway would have less impact on the cars. It did not look at the daycare on the corner of LaSelle, and how there are cars and children all over the road during drop off and pick up times. How does the increase in traffic impact them? It did not consider the bikers that use Inlander and connecting back streets as a route to access Lhedli T'enneh park, downtown and the Centennial Trail through Cottonwood. How does the increase in traffic impact them? It did not consider the numerous dog walkers, children and elderly that use these roads for their exercise, how does the increase in traffic impact them?

I implore you to consider these questions when making your decision. I would ask that city staff also start to consider these questions when approving developments, and look not at how the cars will be impacted, but how the citizens of the city, the people themselves are impacted.

Thank you for your time.

Scott Brown