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District of Kitimat

270 City Centre

Kitimat B.C.

To, Mayor Germuth and council Members.

My name is Tammy De Medeiros I Live at 16 Cranberry St. I am Opposed to the re zoning and the change in the O.C.P. 461 Quatsino to accommodate TSW's proposed building.

There is no reason why it has to be this site. There is a strong opposition from the neighborhood and the community at large. At least regarding this site. We have heard all the great things TSW has done in the community nobody is disagreeing with that. Nobody is disagreeing with the cause. I could go on and on about how great TSW is. We all know that.

Let's move on to the issue, why we are here today. it's the location. 461 Quatsino is not the best location. There is a great number of signatures on a petition stating they are not in favor of this facility in this location. I'm recommending to the council to turn down this rezoning not the funding just this site, I'm suggesting that TSW and the planner work together and find a better site that accommodates the community as well, and not just the TSW workers and cliental. There is no reason why it has to be this site, with compromise I'm sure TSW and the district can find an alternate site. Or sites. ie mountain view square. Or spilt it up into two sites. transition house in one area 461 Quatsino and all other services in another. Mountain view square.

I am concerned for the safety of the residents and cliental of the tsw building if this was to be build, at 461 quatsino, it is historically known that grizzly bears frequently visit this area. A sow and her cubs frequent this area quite often, so many times I lost count over the last year. There have been bear traps set in the neighboring property for over a 3-week period. We don't need to put down more garbage bears. I'm concerned of the safety for the neighborhood children, pets, postal delivery person etc. with the increase in garbage it will attract more bears. It will attract more rodents and pests.

I would like to ask mayor and council has there been an environmental study done on this site, Lot 13. ie regarding the impact on traffic, fish and wildlife, and the old growth forest on this lot. I could not find one in the plans. Currently there is a drainage issue with this area, the entrance to cranberry St. is always flooded in the winter. And this facility would add more to the situation. There is no way to get from the crosswalk to the sidewalk with out getting wet. I mean soaked.

I would also like to know why the subdivision of the lot 13 into 2 lots and an easement road threw that only TSW will have access to. What are your plans to the lot labeled lot 2 and why are you rezoning it now? If It has no purpose and no plan, and no drawings? Why then rezone it now. Do you plan on building another monstrosity on that lot as well? Only time will tell. And only in time the community will learn. What do you actually have planned for lot 2 of this rezoning now subdividing, If no plans then green belt it? Put it up for sale. Offer it to the neighboring property owners.

Tammy De Medeiros