



Public Hearing 3600 Block Mount Seymour Parkway OCP Amendment and Rezoning

A Public Hearing is scheduled for 7 p.m., Tuesday, June 22, 2010 in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Hall, 355 West Queens Road, North Vancouver, B.C., to provide an opportunity for Council to hear from those who believe they may be affected by the Bylaw amendments, as outlined below.

BYLAW 7850 District Official Community Plan Amending Bylaw 74
BYLAW 7851 Rezoning Bylaw 1261

Applicant: Pacific Arbour Retirement Communities

Subject Lands: 3600 Block Mount Seymour Parkway legally described as:

- i) Lot A, Except Part in Reference Plan 12763, Block 10, District Lot 622, Plan 3515 (PID: 012-811-050);
- ii) Lot B, Except Part in Reference Plan 12763, Block 10, District Lot 622, Plan 3515 (PID: 012-811-068);
- iii) Lot C, Except Part in Reference Plan 12763, Block 10, District Lot 622, Plan 3515 (PID: 012-811-076);
- iv) Lot 5, Block 10, District Lot 622, Plan 3515 (PID: 012-811-017);
- v) Lot 6, Block 10, District Lot 622, Plan 3515 (PID: 012-811-025);
- vi) Lot 9, Block 10, District Lot 622, Plan 3515 (PID: 012-811-033);
- vii) Lot 10, Block 10, District Lot 622, Plan 3515 (PID: 012-811-041); and shown on map below:



Proposed Amendments:

1. To amend the District Official Community Plan (Seymour Local Plan) by revising Tables 4-1 and 6-1 and amending Policies 6.2.7 and 6.2.11 to establish new development parameters for the subject properties; and,
2. To amend the Zoning Bylaw by creating a new Comprehensive Development Zone 63 (CD63) establishing the use and development regulations unique to the proposal and applying the new zone to the subject properties.

Purpose: The purpose of these bylaw amendments is to facilitate the development of an 11-storey residential building intended for independent seniors rental accommodation.

This Public Hearing is held under the provisions of the Local Government Act. All persons who believe they may be affected by the above proposal will be afforded an opportunity to be heard in person and/or by written submission. Written submissions will be accepted up to the conclusion of the Public Hearing to be held on Tuesday, June 22, 2010.

Copies of the bylaws, resolution, supporting staff report and other relevant background material are available for review in the District of North Vancouver Clerk's Office or Development Planning Department at the Municipal Hall from May 3, 2010 to June 22, 2010. The Municipal Hall is located at 355 West Queens Road and is open Monday through Friday, except statutory holidays, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. If you would like to review the report online, go to www.dnv.org/public_hearing. Please direct inquiries to Mr. Doug Allan of the Development Planning Department at 604-990-2357.

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QUESTION:

My girlfriend and I used to spend a lot of time together, but over the last few months she has spent more and more time with her friends or pursuing interests on her own. We have had several arguments about this. Am I being unrealistic about objecting to this? We've been together for two years and she is a great person. She says she loves me and I don't want to lose her but I am feeling sidelined and less important to her than I used to be.

ANSWER:

Your question is a good one. How much of our partner's time and energy do we have a right to? At this point in your commitment, you want more of her than she is up for. This is an imbalance that will need some fine-tuning.

It is fairly common for people to spend a lot of time together early in their relationship. The infatuation is fueled by chemistry and a belief that you are more loving and more lovable than you had imagined. This wears off in about six months as reality begins to claw away at the rose-coloured glasses.

The greatest risk in being part of a couple is the risk of losing your individuality. Holding onto that individuality is critical to



the development of a solid relationship. When you're part of a close twosome, it can be hard to define yourself as separate from the other. Your thoughts, ideas, beliefs and values can be eroded by the pressure for togetherness. One is reminded of the old adage, "When the two become one, what one will they be?"

Do you think that it is possible that your girlfriend is simply trying to re-establish the network of friendships and interests that she had before the two of you hooked up? If so, this may be a healthy move for your relationship. People need to take responsibility for keeping their lives interesting and it may be that your girlfriend is missing the stimulation of a larger social network. In addition, people come out of their family experience with different levels of comfort around togetherness. Some people like more and some less. These are differences that need to be discussed. You may be taking all of this

more personally than you need to.

In any event, pressuring your girlfriend to spend more time with you is the wrong move. You run the risk of being seen as jealous and controlling.

Why not put some energy into developing some of your own interests and connections outside of the relationship? This might reduce your need for your girlfriend's attention and at the same time make you more interesting and attractive to be around. People make the mistake of depending on their relationship for more than it can deliver. Just as your assets are more secure if your portfolio is diversified, your relationship is more secure if your interests are diversified.

Don't put all of your eggs in your girlfriend's basket. Whatever is up with the two of you, you need to have a calm conversation about it.

This takes a little courage and a lot of maturity. I think you are both playing a part in the problem and if you can be as honest and as open as you were when you first met, you may be able to turn things around.

Good luck and keep it real.

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