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At this time I would like to withdraw a presentation that I dropped off to the planning department on February 19, 2021 with regard to some questions and concerns we had regarding the application for development permit and a variance no. DP-428.

I met with Uptown Village/Uptown Ridge developer Randy Meise on Friday afternoon. In less than five minutes all of my questions had been answered and my concerns were addressed and solved to both party's satisfaction. There is no further need for my submission to council at this time.

For the record... My wife and I fully support the new twelve unit Uptown Ridge triplex design including the application for a variance necessary to complete the project. The variance change is a minor adjustment that will in the long run create a positive result.

We live in townhouse 24 of the Uptown Village which is probably the unit most affected by the new Uptown Ridge phase of the overall development.

The initial plan for the phase was to construct two multi story condominium buildings. Market reality and buyer demand suggests that the four newly proposed low level triplex townhouses would be a more appropriate fit to build on the site.

We could not agree more. The new design is a perfect fit for our community. The thought of a couple of three or four story 'condo boxes' is at best repulsive. If you want that kind of density move to Kelowna or Vancouver.

The initial plan was to purchase and include the property of Plan 9125 into Uptown Ridge. Since this property is now not available for development we are left with the upper cul-de-sac being the only vehicular access to Uptown Ridge. The constant flow of traffic into Uptown Ridge via our cul-de-sac will affect the character and the privacy of Uptown Village.

I first moved to Salmon Arm in 1959. I lived here in the 1960s and 1970s. I have many fond memories of coming to Salmon Arm to visit my parents. I always considered this little community as 'home'. Never had that feeling living anywhere else including 14 years in Vancouver and twenty five years in Nelson.

We decided to retire here. We arrived in May of 2019 and moved into our townhouse at Uptown Village in October of 2019. We love it here. The density mix is just right and the incredible network of walking trails and pathways make this community very unique. I have lived in high density locations like Vancouver and southern California. Too much density is not a healthy thing.

In closing I question all the fuss over a tiny variance change for the Uptown Ridge project and yet wonder how many changes were made to allow a housing complex known as Copper View Corner to be built? Some of the driveways in front of the Copper View units can not even accommodate a motorcycle parked sideways on the driveway. And a two meter variance in Uptown Ridge presents a problem? How is that possible given what was allowed to happen in Copper View?

City councillors come and go but ill-conceived mistakes can be with us for generations to come.

Sincerely...

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