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Subject: Re question for council's Q and A, Mon Oct 30

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Good day,

I am Cheryl Lightowlers, White Rock resident.

Re Extreme weather shelter/supportive housing for the Peninsula.

We did a 15 min. presentation to Surrey's Social Equity cte on Oct. 18.

The two senior staff, Terry Waterhouse and Aileen Murphy were very supportive of our request for shelter and permanent supportive housing. They agreed that the Peninsula was underserved.

Councillor Kooner was unable to give us a report on the in camera council meeting (Oct 16) which we had been told was considering 4-5 possible sites.

We still have not heard from the city.

The extreme weather alert has been on since last Wed and has been extended to Sunday.

If we had a site we would be open. At least 20-30 local people would be warm and safe.

Currently the closest night shelter for local folks is 10607 King George and 13545 King George.

The daytime site suggestions are City of Surrey libraries and Rec centres.

Are City of White Rock Rec centres open for warming in the daytime?

Is the White Rock library receiving guests for warming?

Also, I wonder why the WR shelter budget was \$80,000 in '21 and '22, but this winter it is \$75,000 when the need is clearly greater.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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Cheryl Lightowlers