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Hello, White Rock Council;

I refer to the card in the mail headed "Changes to Zoning...."

First, it is a confusing notice. Basically, it is not clear whether the buildings and heights marked in yellow represent the heights proposed by the current council or whether these have been proposed earlier, probably by the previous council. "Proposed heights": ambiguous. Proposed BY WHOM? Is the term "proposed" used, and attributable, in the same way it is in "proposed amendments"? If so, this could mean the numbers in yellow are proposed by this council. Help. I have asked smarter people than I for clarification, and they, too, are unsure. I fear the responses you get to this request will be clouded by the ambiguity.

My response in any case is that the (yellow) height limits for that block of North Bluff, Foster, Russell and Johnston are far too high. The traffic congestion, of cars and pedestrians, will make those blocks a nightmare. The infrastructure, especially our water resources, can't handle it. The human-scale small malls and shops there now will be replaced by sun-blocking and alienating high-rise chill.

I strongly urge Council to continue to oppose the destruction of our little city, which has already undergone so many changes for the worse. Yes, please focus on more green space, more pedestrian-friendly strategies, more affordability. My name is legion, though I am also

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## To: White Rock City Council:

I have sent a response to the notice, but I think now I did not understand its full intent, so please allow me to clarify.

I found the notice confusing and ambiguous, and now I believe its intent might have been to do just that: to confuse and obfuscate. I couldn't believe our council could actually be proposing 23- and 29-storey buildings and increasing the existing 10-storey limit, so I thought surely they meant the previous council had proposed those and that the "proposed amendment" was this council's attempt to to stop it. The bullet-point guidelines on the left all sound fine, so how could they include a 29-storey building? I imagine someone with bi-polar syndrome assembling this notice on two different days.

But, having argued now with a number of people about what is going on, I think I get it. This council, "our council," the council I worked hard to elect, the "no new high-rises" council, really is proposing this.

I am strongly opposed to these high-rises. Our city is sick of the demolitions and destruction of everything that seemed to give it character and history and liveability. The infrastructure cannot handle it. The traffic congestion, the pressures on green spaces, the disappearance of parking, the devaluation of pedestrians, the noise and pollution, the disappearance of small local businesses, the gentrifications.... Please stop this frantic construction and destruction. My name is still legion, though also

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