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Dear Mayor and Council,

We refer to our [e-mail dated May 23, 2022](#), as well as our feedback provided to the developer as part of the Development Information Meeting in our [letter dated June 23, 2019](#). We would like to submit both these pieces of correspondence as well as this e-mail for the Public Hearing.

As is stated in the staff report of May 17, 2022:

"The Hammond Area Plan also notes the importance of the subject property for fostering multi-modal transportation options, as follows:

As the Business Park continues to develop (particularly to the south) and redevelop, opportunities will be identified for creating linkages, where appropriate, for pedestrian and bicycle activity."

We strongly support the recommendations by TransLink in their letter dated October 16, 2020, attached to the staff report. As stated in the letter, "the site offers high cycling potential". The recommendations include to:

- upgrade the painted bike lanes on 113B Ave. to protected AAA bike lanes, and
- to work with Pitt Meadows to upgrade the cycling facilities from 113B Ave. to Airport Way to AAA.

In view of the high cycling potential, we again urge Council to require the developer to provide secure bike parking facilities for employees, as well as short term bike parking for visitors. Bike parking is an important piece of the puzzle to encourage more people to cycle more.

An off-road trail connection to Pitt Meadows has been on the wish list for a long time. According to the Parks Department, this has been part of the discussion with the developer. We hope that this long-awaited connection will be part of the development plans.

We ask that no maze gates be installed. These are often difficult to navigate and can make trails inaccessible for some bikes.

This development property is within the 200 year floodplain, and much of the property will be covered by large industrial buildings and paved over for the 600 parking spots that are required as a result of this development. The suggestion was made to the developer (Aquilini at the time) to consider permeable paving. The developer responded that it was being considered. The need to prevent flooding is on everyone's minds, especially after the recent devastating floodings experienced in the region. We would like to see permeable paving as a requirement for this development.

With kind regards,

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